# The Big Bang Theory

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# 1 The Big Bang Theory Season 09

## 1.1 Episode 01: The Matrimonial Momentum

- 1 Previously on The Big Bang Theory...
- 2 Well, there was this girl.
- 3 What did you do?
- 4 Nothing.
- 5 Really, it was just kissing.
- 6 (sighs)
- 7 All right.
- 8 So, we're still getting married?
- 9 Yes.
- 10 Because we love each other.
- 11 Yes.
- 12 And it's the happiest day of our life.
- 13 (chuckles) Don't push it.
- 14 I need some time to take a step back and reevaluate our situation.
- 15 Oh.

- 16 Bye, Sheldon.
- 17 Well, Gollum... you're an expert on rings.
- 18 What do I do with this one?
- 19 So, what package are you thinking?
- 20 Mm, this one comes with music and flowers.
- 21 Oh, they even stream the whole thing live on the Internet.
- 22 Why would we want that?
- 23 'Cause there's a lot of gorgeous blondes out there who don't believe they can land a short, nearsighted scientist.
- 24 Let's give them hope.
- 25 Whatever. Put us on the Internet.
- 26 I've always wanted a wedding with a comment section.
- 27 I-If you're not into this, we can do it another time.
- 28 No. No, I want to.
- 29 Look, we've put this off long enough.
- 30 Let's do it.
- 31 Aw.
- 32 That's exactly what you said the first time we slept together.
- 33 (ringtone playing)
- 34 Oh, excuse me.
- 35 Sheldon.
- 36 Hev.
- 37 Leonard, have you gotten married yet?
- 38 No. Why?
- 39 Good. Don't do it!
- 40 Why not?
- 41 Some important new information has come to light.
- 42 Women are the worst.
- 43 I thought it was paper cuts, but I was wrong.
- 44 No piece of paper ever cut me this deep.
- 45 What happened now?
- 46 Amy has ended our relationship.
- 47 Oh, no. Seriously?
- 48 What's going on?
- 49 Amy broke up with Sheldon.
- 50 She did?
- 51 Is Penny crying?
- 52 No.
- 53 No, of course not.
- 54 They thrive on our suffering.
- 55 Buddy, I-I'm so sorry.
- 56 Is there anything I can do?
- 57 Yes. If I ever talk about going out with a girl again, roll your eyes at me like I do to you when you say dumb things.
- 58 Sheldon, uh, o-okay, just because you're going through this with Amy doesn't mean that all women are bad.

- 59 Whatever.
- 60 Hey, I just heard about you and Sheldon. Are you okay?
- 61 Not really.
- 62 Can you come over?
- 63 Uh, actually I'm in Vegas.
- 64 Leonard and I are about to get married.
- 65 Hold on.
- 66 You're getting married and you didn't invite me?
- 67 Well, it was kind of a spur-of-the-moment thing.
- 68 Wow.
- 69 Hope I can catch the bouquet from here.
- 70 Amy, don't be like that.
- 71 Why did I just hear Amy's name?
- 72 Penny's on the phone with her.
- 73 Did she say anything about me?
- 74 Never mind. I don't care.
- 75 Well, if you care, you can find out and tell me.
- 76 Just don't be shocked when you find out that I don't care.
- 77 Okay, will you relax?
- 78 You're not missing anything special.
- 79 Hev.
- 80 She's upset.
- 81 Look, it's gonna be a great wedding.
- 82 Look at you in your little suit.
- 83 Amy's upset? Is it about me?
- 84 No, I think it's because we're eloping.
- 85 Your marriage is causing her pain?
- 86 Yeah, great, I take it back.
- 87 Go ahead and do it.
- 88 Yay for love!
- 89 Our whole universe was in a hot, dense state
- 90 Then nearly 14 billion years ago expansion started... Wait!
- 91 The Earth began to cool
- 92 The autotrophs began to drool, Neanderthals developed tools
- 93 We built the Wall
- 94 We built the pyramids
- 95 Math, Science, History, unraveling the mystery
- 96 That all started with a big bang
- 97 Bang!
- 98 The Big Bang Theory 9x01
- 99 The Matrimonial Momentum
- 100 Original Air Date on September 21
- 101 Hello.
- 102 Oh!
- 103 What are you doing here?
- 104 When last we spoke, you said you needed time.

- 105 Well, it's only been 11 hours.
- 106 The Lord of the Rings trilogy was nearly 11 hours.
- 107 I made you watch that, you said it was an eternity.
- 108 Sheldon, when I'm ready to talk, I'll let you know.
- 109 Verv well.
- 110 You seem to be headed somewhere.
- 111 May I walk with you?
- 112 Sure.
- 113 Boy, I'm glad we're going out again.
- 114 We're not back together.
- 115 Why?
- 116 Is there someone else?
- 117 Just couldn't wait for that first notch on your bedpost, could you?
- 118 If you must know, I'm going to Howard and Bernadette's to watch the wedding.
- 119 And who's this guy you're taking?
- 120 There's no guy!
- 121 Oh, you're going to a wedding alone?
- 122 That's sad.
- 123 I'm not gonna be alone.
- 124 I'll be with my friends.
- 125 Your friends?
- 126 Well, I think you mean my friends.
- 127 And why wasn't I invited to this?
- 128 Maybe because the two of us being there would make them feel awkward.
- 129 We make everyone feel awkward.
- 130 That's our thing!
- 131 They're running a little behind.
- 132 Should be pretty soon.
- 133 Okay.
- 134 Hey, if you're hungry, there's a breakfast buffet at the strip club next door.
- 135 Thanks, but I don't like glitter on my scrambled eggs.
- 136 I don't think the strippers prepare the meal, but okay.
- 137 Look, it-it's not how I pictured it either, but I'm still glad we're doing it.
- 138 Me, too.
- 139 You sure?
- 140 Yes.
- 141 And you promise you're okay with everything from the car?
- 142 Oh, my God, would you stop bringing it up?
- 143 You're right.
- 144 I'm sorry.
- 145 We have the rest of our lives to dredge stuff up from the past and fight about it.
- 146 So what do you think?
- 147 Should we run next door and grab a bite?
- 148 What if they call our names?

- 149 Oh, don't worry. They gave me this vibrating coaster.
- 150 Oh, and the fairy tale continues.
- 151 Thank you for doing this.
- 152 Our pleasure.
- 153 You feeling okay?
- 154 We were together for so long, I honestly don't know what I'm feeling.
- 155 Well, that's understandable.
- 156 You forgot.
- 157 It's called "happy."
- 158 Howard.
- 159 I'm not saying anything bad.
- 160 Just that she was in love with her captor and somehow managed to escape from his dark and crazy dungeon.
- 161 I know what you're going through.
- 162 My-my last breakup was pretty tough.
- 163 Oh. What was her name?
- 164 Hey, it's a true story.
- 165 I don't need the third degree.
- 166 (gasps)
- 167 For God's sake, Sheldon, what are you doing?
- 168 I didn't want to come in.
- 169 I was told it would make everyone feel uncomfortable.
- 170 So I'll just stay out here and pretend that I don't have to go to the bath-room.
- 171 Howard, do something.
- 172 I'm on it.
- 173 Sheldon, you being here might not be making things better.
- 174 I see.
- 175 And is that why everybody was invited but me?
- 176 They didn't invite everybody but you.
- 177 Bernadette invited me, and Stuart lives here.
- 178 (singsongy): Who wants hot cinnamon rolls?
- 179 So, when you hear the music, that's your cue.
- 180 Any questions?
- 181 Oh, the package that we paid for said the aisle was supposed to be strewn with rose petals.
- 182 Where are the rose petals?!
- 183 Woman: We're out!
- 184 You know what? It's fine.
- 185 Woman: We can use the potpourri from the bathroom!
- 186 Really, we're good. (chuckles)
- 187 Yup, just want to get married.
- 188 Yeah.
- 189 Great.
- 190 I'll see you two up there.
- 191 This is it.

- 192 I know.
- 193 I love you.
- 194 I love you, too.
- 195 Woman: Was that a yes or no on the potpourri?!
- 196 No, thank you!
- 197 We're good!
- 198 (string instruments playing "Bridal Chorus")
- 199 Raj, you're probably wondering why Amy and I aren't showing any affection to one another.
- 200 Didn't even crack the top ten.
- 201 Well, you should know that she recently broke up with me.
- 202 I said I needed time to think.
- 203 I'm sure you guys will figure something out.
- 204 You hear that?
- 205 Raj is devastated.
- 206 Sheldon, shh.
- 207 The wedding's starting.
- 208 I see what's happening.
- 209 Sides are forming.
- 210 Well, if Bernadette's on Amy's team, I pick Howard.
- 211 I'm not taking sides.
- 212 Fine, I guess I'm stuck with Raj.
- 213 Really?
- 214 At least you got picked.
- 215 Before I go any further, have either of you prepared your own vows?
- 216 Yes.
- 217 No.
- 218 You wrote vows?
- 219 Yeah.
- 220 Well, I don't have any.
- 221 You're kind of making me look bad.
- 222 It's okay. I-I don't have to say them.
- 223 No, no, no, go ahead.
- 224 I'll come up with something mushy, you'll cry, we got this.
- 225 "Penny, we are made of particles that have existed since the moment the universe began. I like to think those atoms traveled 14 billion years through time and space to create us, so that we could be together and make each other whole."
- 226 Wow.
- 227 Penny?
- 228 Right. Um... okay.
- 229 (chuckles)
- 230 Leonard, I mean, you're not only the love of my life.
- 231 I mean, you're my best friend, and... you've got a friend in me.
- 232 You got troubles.
- 233 I got 'em, too.

- 234 There isn't anything I wouldn't do for you.
- 235 We stick together, and we can see it through, 'cause... you've got a friend in me.
- 236 Is that the song from Toy Story?
- 237 He loves that movie.
- 238 (voice breaking): I do.
- 239 Aw, that was beautiful.
- 240 Yeah.
- 241 I mean, not like our wedding beautiful.
- 242 No, we totally won.
- 243 Amy, I don't understand, are we broken up or not?
- 244 It's like you can't make up your mind.
- 245 It's because you're not giving me any space to think.
- 246 Well, you should think fast, because men can sire offspring their entire
- lives, but those eggs you're toting around have a sell-by date.
- 247 You know what, Sheldon, you've made this really easy.
- 248 You're immature, you're selfish, you just insulted me to my face.
- 249 I don't need any more time to think. We're broken up.
- 250 Amy...
- 251 Will someone take me home?
- 252 Yeah. Come on, I'll give you a ride.
- 253 Minister: ...symbolizes your eternal love. I now pronounce you husband and wife.
- 254 We did it!
- 255 I'm so glad you guys could watch!
- 256 We'll say it was beautiful in the comment section.
- 257 No, no, no. Hang on.
- 258 I believe I'm supposed to carry you across the threshold.
- 259 Can you?
- 260 Who do you think carries Sheldon to bed when he falls asleep in front of
- the TV?
- 261 Okay, let's do it.
- 262 (sighs)
- 263 (grunts)
- 264 (grunting softly)
- 265 You gonna make it?
- 266 I'm okay!
- 267 (grunts)
- 268 (both chuckle)
- 269 Nicely done!
- 270 Thank you. (chuckles)
- 271 Finally, there's a Mrs. Hofstadter who isn't disappointed in me.
- 272 Well, the night is still young.
- 273 (chuckles)
- 274 Everything all right?
- 275 Yeah. I guess.

- 276 Just tell me.
- 277 It's just, when we were kissing, I couldn't help but picture you with that other girl.
- 278 Oh, no.
- 279 No, come on.
- 280 I have a friend in you.
- 281 You said so.
- 282 You're right.
- 283 Just forget it.
- 284 (chuckles) Yeah.
- 285 Okay, listen. Uh...
- 286 If you're imagining that it was sexy, it wasn't.
- 287 We-we were both drunk, and she smelled like an ashtray.
- 288 The boat was moving a lot, so I chipped her tooth.
- 289 Did you feel guilty?
- 290 No, she had dental insurance.
- 291 Did you feel guilty after kissing her?
- 292 Yes. I felt guilty as soon as it happened.
- 293 I feel guilty every time I see her.
- 294 What do you mean, every time you see her?
- 295 What... do I mean?
- 296 Boy, that's a toughie.
- 297 You still see her?
- 298 Well, no, not socially.
- 299 But, you know, just at work.
- 300 You work with her?!
- 301 (groans)
- 302 How could you not tell me that?!
- 303 I wanted to tell you in the car, but you told me to stop talking!
- 304 Oh, okay. So you're saying this is my fault?
- 305 No, of course not.
- 306 (stammers) Okay, l-look, instead of fighting, why don't we dim the lights, um, get naked and make a baby?
- 307 I was trying to lighten the mood.
- 308 It's not easy. You try it.
- 309 Hello, Mother.
- 310 Shelly! How's my baby doing?
- 311 I just wanted to let you know that you can remove Amy from your nightly prayers.
- 312 Unless you're open to praying for a beehive to fall on her head.
- 313 Oh, what's going on?
- 314 She broke up with me.
- 315 Oh, Shelly.
- 316 No, I'll be okay.
- 317 But I think that I'd like to send the ring back to you.
- 318 Well, let's not be hasty.

- 319 Are you sure it's over for good?
- 320 It's over for me. I'm done with women.
- 321 Like when I swore off Pop Rocks.
- 322 They both hurt you on purpose.
- 323 You want to tell me what happened?
- 324 Are you going to say it's all part of God's plan?
- 325 Good chance.
- 326 Then no, thank you.
- 327 Well, honey, don't send it back yet.
- 328 Your sister's married, and I'm not letting your brother give my grand-mother's ring to that whore he's dating.
- 329 Wasn't Mary Magdalene a woman of ill repute?
- 330 When your idiot brother redeems mankind, he can date whoever he wants.
- 331 I know it hurts now, but it's gonna get better.
- 332 Yeah.
- 333 Everything's gonna be okay.
- 334 You've got so much to offer.
- 335 Thank you.
- 336 Any man would be lucky to have you.
- 337 That's true.
- 338 I just hope I did the right thing.
- 339 I'm sure you did.
- 340 Maybe that's the problem- you always do the right thing.
- 341 Maybe it's time to do the wrong thing.
- 342 Like you're doing right now?
- 343 Exactly.
- 344 I asked you over and over if you were okay.
- 345 Why would you go through with the wedding if you weren't?
- 346 I thought I was okay, but it turns out I'm not.
- 347 Okay, listen, I may not have been entirely faithful, but you, you are not easy to lift!
- 348 Wow!
- 349 Well, marriage must agree with you.
- 350 Well, you are just glowing.
- 351 I'm not glowing.
- 352 I'm upset.
- 353 Well, whatever it is, it agrees with you.
- 354 Knock, knock, knock, Penny? Knock, knock, knock, Penny? Knock, knock, Penny?
- 355 What's this?
- 356 Leonard told me what happened, so I took it upon myself to make you a hot beverage.
- 357 Oh. That's so sweet of you.
- 358 Yeah. I know.
- 359 Turns out, being sweet isn't enough to keep a girl these days.
- 360 I blame Madonna.

- 361 I'm sorry to hear about you and Amy.
- 362 Well, I'm sorry about Leonard.
- 363 Thought I raised him better than that.
- 364 You know, it's bad enough what happened, but then he tried to hide the fact that he sees her all the time at the university.
- 365 He does? Who is it?
- 366 (scoffs) Some girl named Mandy.
- 367 Mandy Chao?
- 368 Yeah.
- 369 Oh, you don't need to worry about her.
- 370 She's brilliant and attractive.
- 371 She can do way better than Leonard.
- 372 That's great.
- 373 (clears throat)
- 374 Wait a minute.
- 375 I know this may sound farfetched, but I'm on the market now.
- 376 You know, if I dated Mandy, that would teach both Leonard and Amy a lesson.
- 377 That's ridiculous.
- 378 Oh, you're right.
- 379 I could never be with a woman whose self-esteem was so low she'd be with Leonard.
- 380 I'm with Leonard.
- 381 Yeah, I know. Forever.
- 382 (sighs)
- 383 Who would have believed these things would happen to us?
- 384 Right? (scoffs)
- 385 I can't believe Amy actually went through with it.
- 386 Hang on.
- 387 You knew that she was going to end it with me?
- 388 Did you try and stop her?
- 389 I told her to be true to herself and do what makes her happy.
- 390 Do what makes her happy?
- 391 She plays the harp and her car is paid for.
- 392 How much happier can she be?
- 393 Okay, look, it's not my fault that she thought you were a bad boyfriend.
- 394 I see.
- 395 Well...
- 396 I think I'll be going.
- 397 Sheldon...
- 398 No, no, no, no.
- 399 We are done here.
- 400 (sighs)
- 401 Would you mind opening the door and then angrily slamming it behind me?
- 402 Sure.

- 403 Thank you.
- 404 And slam it hard, because I am pretty steamed.
- 405 All right, Leonard, hang in there.
- 406 Talk to you tomorrow.
- 407 What happened?
- 408 They just got married.
- 409 (sighs) I don't know.
- 410 It's a mess.
- 411 They had a huge fight in Vegas.
- 412 Think they'll break up?
- 413 I don't know. Sounds pretty bad.
- 414 Penny's back in her apartment all by herself.
- 415 Really?
- 416 Would you like to hear another reason why men are better than women?
- 417 Sure, let's make it an even hundred.
- 418 You would never kiss me and make me say "I love you" and then break up with me.
- 419 I wouldn't.
- 420 And you know why?
- 421 'Cause you're a man.
- 422 The champagne of genders.
- 423 Well, I may be a man, but I think I'm the one that screwed up on this one
- 424 Yeah, well, and you admit it, like a man.
- 425 All you hear women say is, "I'll just have a salad."
- 426 You know?
- 427 "Where's my lip gloss?"
- 428 "I think this element should be called radium."
- 429 That last one was Madame Curie.
- 430 I figured that out.
- 431 You know what? She was kind of an honorary man.
- 432 She had a pen1s made of science.
- 433 Can't believe I'm spending my wedding night with you.
- 434 Really?
- 435 I never imagined it any other way.

#### 1.2 Episode 02: The Separation Oscillation

- 1 Why are you up?
- 2 How am I supposed to sleep?
- 3 I've been married less than 24 hours, and my wife isn't speaking to me.
- 4 Perhaps you can think of this in a more positive light.
- 5 In one day, you've managed to do what it takes many couples decades to achieve.
- 6 (knocking on door)
- 7 Hi.

- 8 Hey.
- 9 You couldn't sleep either?
- 10 Of course not.
- 11 Me neither.
- 12 But I just had a tickle in my throat.
- 13 Not profound marital problems.
- 14 What are we gonna do?
- 15 I don't know.
- 16 Please, tell me how I can fix it.
- 17 Glad you asked.
- 18 As I see it, there's a simple solution.
- 19 Your lips had a dalliance with the lips of another woman.
- 20 It seems only logical that to restore balance to the relationship, you should find another man and dally with him.
- 21 And by dally, I mean some hardcore mouth-on-mouth action.
- 22 Okay, that is the stupidest thing I've ever heard.
- 23 Actually, I think he's onto something.
- 24 Y-You can't be serious.
- 25 'Cause I messed up and made out with a girl, you're gonna do the same with a random guy?
- 26 I'm currently single.
- 27 That's true. You are.
- 28 What is happening?!
- 29 I will tell you what is happening.
- 30 I am saving my best friend's marriage.
- 31 (gasps)
- 32 Our whole universe was in a hot, dense state
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- 39 That all started with a big bang
- 40 Bang!
- 41 jfont color=00FF00; The Big Bang Theory 9x02 j/font;
- 42 ¡font color=00FFFF¿The Separation Oscillation;/font¿
- 43 (Skype ringing)
- 44 Sheldon, I don't think you understand how being broken up works.
- 45 The only way I can sort through my feelings is if there is space between us.
- 46 Every time I see you, it re-traumatizes me.
- 47 I go through the pain all over again.
- 48 Well, hello to you, too.
- 49 What do you want?
- 50 I understand we're no longer a couple, but I would like to remind you that we made a baby together.

- 51 What baby?
- 52 A precocious little Internet show known as "Fun With Flags."
- 53 I'm hanging up.
- 54 Great. See you in about half an hour.
- 55 Sheldon, I am not doing "Fun With Flags" with you.
- 56 Why not?
- 57 Because we're broken up.
- 58 Sonny and Cher made it work.
- 59 Their variety show kept going long after the divorce, and here we are still talking about them.
- 60 No one's talking about Sonny and Cher.
- 61 You must be thinking about Donny and Marie, 'cause you and I are clearly talking about Sonny and Cher.
- 62 Sheldon, this has to stop.
- 63 I know it's hard.
- 64 It's hard for me, too.
- 65 But I've seen and talked to you more in the two days we've been broken up than in the last two months that we were together.
- 66 Well, if you want to see less of me, maybe we should go out again.
- 67 I can't believe you made out with Mandy Chao.
- 68 Trust me, I wish it never happened.
- 69 And you knew about this this whole time?
- 70 I did.
- 71 And you didn't think to tell me?
- 72 Leonard asked me to keep it to myself.
- 73 Let's leave Leonard out of this for the moment.
- 74 This is about you and me.
- 75 Wait, wait, wait, how is my day-old marriage falling apart becoming about you two?
- 76 Hang on.
- 77 What do I need to do to make you trust me?
- 78 You think it's hard having one wife, try having two.
- 79 I bet you told Bernadette all about he was screwing around with Mandy Chao.
- 80 Oh, we didn't screw around.
- 81 We just got drunk and made out.
- 82 Whatever. It would have been nice to hear it from you.
- 83 What are you doing here?
- 84 I'm here to return your belongings.
- 85 That's what people who've broken up do.
- 86 And you didn't do your compulsive knocking ritual so I would open the door.
- 87 On the contrary, you no longer get to enjoy my charming eccentricities.
- 88 We're not friends with benefits.
- 89 Just give me the box.
- 90 W-Wait. Don't you want to go through it to make sure I haven't forgotten

#### anything?

- 91 Fine.
- 92 My old scarf.
- 93 You wore it the night we went ice-skating. Remember?
- 94 You mean the night that I went ice-skating, and you stood at the rail Googling the symptoms of hypothermia?
- 95 We made one heck of a team, huh?
- 96 Whose bra is this?
- 97 It's not yours?
- 98 Oh, my.
- 99 How embarrassing for both of us.
- 100 It's Penny's.
- 101 Hey, you broke up with me.
- 102 It is none of your business whose naked bosom I'm smooshing around like pizza dough.
- 103 Good-bye.
- 104 Amy.
- 105 Amy. Amy.
- 106 (sighs)
- 107 Hmm. Tables work, too.
- 108 Good to know.
- 109 Ooh, brownies for girls' night!
- 110 Hands off. I'm mad at you.
- 111 (sighs)
- 112 Look, I know it's a lot of money, but the guy at the store said in five to seven years, it'll pay for itself.
- 113 What will pay for itself?
- 114 Doesn't matter.
- 115 What are you mad about?
- 116 I'm mad at you for blabbing to me what Leonard did on the North Sea, and I'm mad that I've had to hide this from Penny for two years.
- 117 And you have every right to be mad about those things.
- 118 So, why don't you let me handle the credit card bill this month, huh?
- 119 I mean, don't even look at it.
- 120 I mean, if Penny finds out I've known all this time and haven't told her, she's gonna think I'm a terrible friend.
- 121 I wish you never told me.
- 122 And I wish Leonard never told me.
- 123 He's the bad guy here.
- 124 I guess that's true.
- 125 And you let Penny marry him.
- 126 (scoffs)
- 127 Compared to that, who cares if I bought a George Clooney limited edition manscaping kit?
- 128 Hi. I'm calling about your marriage counseling services and was curious what your rate is.

- 129 Really?
- 130 Um, okay.
- 131 Is there any kind of discount for length of marriage?
- 132 'Cause we're just talking hours here.
- 133 Hi.
- 134 Call you back.
- 135 Hey.
- 136 Can we talk?
- 137 I would love that.
- 138 All right, look, I'm sorry I said I was okay with everything before we got married.
- 139 I hate that we're going through this, but I don't know what to do.
- 140 If you don't mind waiting for a Groupon, we can try marriage counseling.
- 141 Hello.
- 142 Hey, uh, buddy, can we have some privacy?
- 143 Oh, of course.
- 144 Wouldn't want to intrude.
- 145 This is yours.
- 146 Okay, when I'm done with him, I'm gonna need more information.
- 147 Nothing odd.
- 148 I just wanted to rub Amy's nose in it.
- 149 Okay, look, I might be overreacting, but how am I supposed to get past this when I know tomorrow you're gonna go to work and see this woman?
- 150 For give me for eavesdropping, but as I see it, there's a simple solution.
- 151 Wake up, wake up, wake up.
- 152 Bring Penny to meet Mandy.
- 153 What? Why?
- 154 Well, right now, Penny's imagination is running wild, but if they meet, that will eliminate the mystery and alleviate her fears.
- 155 Like when that Sparkletts guy let me look under his eye patch.
- 156 Uh, first of all, you made that guy cry.
- 157 And we learned that you don't need an eyeball to do that.
- 158 Secondly, I can't think of a more horrible idea than Penny meeting Mandy.
- 159 Really? Why is that?
- 160 What, you actually want to meet her?
- 161 No, but now that you're being weird about it, maybe I should.
- 162 I'm not being weird.
- 163 Am I being weird?
- 164 Yes.
- 165 And that's coming from me.
- 166 Fine, you want to meet her?
- 167 No, I just want to know that when you're at work, there's nothing going on.
- 168 How many times do I have to tell you?
- 169 I have no interest in this woman.
- 170 Yeah, well, maybe she has interest in you.

- 171 In Leonard?
- 172 Oh, even the Sparkletts guy could see that's unlikely.
- 173 I guess my big problem is I never saw Leonard as the kind of guy who would do something like this.
- 174 Anybody can make a mistake in a weak moment.
- 175 (sighs) What do you think?
- 176 Oh, I don't know what to think.
- 177 But then again, I just found out about it.
- 178 You know, I fell in love with Leonard because he wasn't anything like the guys I was used to dating.
- 179 I mean, I knew those guys weren't above cheating because that's usually how we met.
- 180 Come on, you know Leonard's not like that.
- 181 I want to believe you. I really do.
- 182 Am I being naive?
- 183 Oh, I don't know.
- 184 This is all so new to me.
- 185 I'm still processing.
- 186 You know, he never would've done this when we first met.
- 187 He's cockier now.
- 188 That's because you made him more confident.
- 189 You know, if you think about it, without you, he never would've grown into the person he is now.
- 190 I mean, sure, more women might notice him, but I think it's better to have a guy be with you because he wants to be and not because he thinks he doesn't have any other choice.
- 191 I never thought about it like that.
- 192 Oh, me neither, not until just now.
- 193 Hello. I'm Dr. Sheldon Cooper, and welcome to "Sheldon Cooper Presents: Fun With Flags."
- 194 You may notice that I'm holding a remote control.
- 195 That's because my cameraperson and co-host, Dr. Amy Farrah Fowler, has chosen to end her relationship with me.
- 196 I'm going to pause here to let that sink in.
- 197 Okay.
- 198 If you need to pause a little longer, just click the pause button.
- 199 But the show must go on.
- 200 And thankfully, all the things my girlfriend used to do can be taken care of with my right hand.
- 201 Anyway, let's not spend any more time talking about her.
- 202 We're here to talk about flags.
- 203 Tonight's theme: flags of countries that have been torn apart and the women I have a feeling were responsible.
- 204 You guys have any idea how much it costs to see a marriage counselor?
- 205 250anhour. Why?
- 206 Howdoyouknow?

- 207-Berna dette and I have occasionally gone to one to, you know, stay on top of things.
- 208-And I'm just hearing about this now?
- 209-Dude, just because we're best friends doesn't mean that I have to telly ouverything that goes on.
- 210-Youdon't have to, you should want to.
- 211 Oh, great, there's Mandy.
- 212-Why are marine biologists always socute?
- 213-Idon't know, but I'd like to get lost inher Bermuda Triangle.
- 214 That's not helpful.
- 215-Then Iwon't say I'd like to cover three-quarters of her surface area.
- 216 Arewedone?
- 217 Notyet, this is fun.
- 218 Ooh, Iknow.
- 219 I'dlether free my willy.
- 220 Where you going?
- 221-I'mgonnaaskherifshe'dbewilling totalkto Penny, tellhershe has nothing toworry about.
- 222 Leonard, wait.
- 223 What?
- 224 I'dlike to Sponge Bobber Square Pants.
- 225 Nowwearedone.(chuckles)
- 226 Hey.
- 227 Oh, hi, Leonard. What'sup?
- 228 Uh, doyoum indif Isit?
- 229 Sure.
- 230-So, um, I've been thinking a lot about you and me and ... the boat.
- 231 What about it?
- 232 Youknow...what we did, when we were drunk.
- 233 Oh, no, didIsleep with you, too?
- 234-No, we just made out.
- 235 Oh. Well, good forme.
- 236 Sowhat can Ido for you?
- 237 Uh, okay, well, um, Igotmarried recently.
- 238 Oh, congratulations!
- 239 ToSheldon?
- 240 (chuckles)
- 241 Neverget sold.
- 242 No, no, to a girl.
- 243-Anyway, Itoldher what happened between you and me, and she's concerned about us seeing each other at work.
- 244-It was just akiss.
- 245 Why would you eventell her?
- 246-Because Ididn't want the reto beany secrets between us.
- 247 Isthatreally the reason?
- 248-Whatelsewoulditbe?
- 249 Idon'tknow.
- 250-Sounds like you'r etrying to sabotage the relationship.
- 251 No, Idon't thinkso.
- 252-Although, Pennydids a yex actly that.

- 253 Okay, well, that's something to think about.
- 254-Youknow, on some level, I've always believed that Idon't deserve a woman like her.
- 255 Oh, you'regonnathink about that right here?
- 256-Imean, she's really be autiful.
- 257 She could have any guyshewants.
- 258-Which is probably why it took her somany years to tell mesheloved me.
- 259-May beyous hould talk to a the rap is tabout this.
- 260-Too expensive.
- 261 You'd think I' d be used to women with holding their love.
- 262-Imean, mymotherdid.
- 263-Imean, no matter how hard I tried, she just didn't have any interest in me.
- 264-Imagine that.
- 265-I wonder if that's why I have such a dysfunctional relationship with Sheldon.
- 266-Ihadad ream the other night that I was in a cave and I was nursing a baby, but the baby had Sheldon's head on it.
- 267 Andyour wife is worried about me?
- 268 Koothrappali: Hey, Leonard!
- 269 Whenyou'redone, we came up with a bunch more.
- 270-Then the Czech Republic says to Slovakia, "Idon't thinkyou understand how being broken upworks!" and the contraction of the property of the property of the contraction of the con
- 271 Canyoubelieve that?
- 272-You'dthinkthat the Czech Republic would try to hold on to what it had, given that it's not asyoung a sitused to be.
- 273 And Idon't see any other countries lining up to invade its southern borders.
- 274 I'mgonnakillhim.
- 275-But enough about the Czech Republic.
- 276-Let's talk about the time Moldova made Romania abirth day cake and Romanias aid it tasted good even thought to the following the property of the propert
- 277 Andyet Romania gets dumped.
- 278 I'll pause here while you mult that one over.
- 279 Iknow, right?
- 280 So, yous aidy out adsomething to tell me.
- 281-Okay, yeah, um, doyouremember when you accused me of trying to sabotage our wedding?
- 282 Uh huh.
- 283 I've been thinking about it, and you might be right.
- 284 Butthe goodnews is that I'm pretty sure I know why.
- 285 I'mlistening.
- 286-Penny, after all these years, I still feel like may be I don't deserve you.
- 287 Okay, that is the lamest excuse you could've possibly come up with.
- 288 ButIgetit.
- 289 Youdo?
- 290 Yeah.
- 291-Sometimes I worry you'r egonnawake up and leave mefor some one more like you.
- 292-Idon't even understand why you'r ewith some one like me.
- 293 Why would I want to be with some one like me?
- 294-Youknow what I mean.
- 295 And, youknow, may be the way I've been reacting was mes abota ging this, too.
- 296-(sighs)Well, howaboutwestopbeingsoscared of losing each other and just be together?
- 297 That sound snice.
- 298 Good.

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299 - (bothchuckle)
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- 300-Because...
- 301-I' veloved you since the moment we met, and I will keep loving you until the end of time.
- 302 Oh.
- 303 Oh, myGod, that is the most beautiful thing anyone's ever said to me.
- 304 Yeah?
- 305-That's because you're beautiful, and your beauty fills my heart with love and song.
- 306 It's gettingkind of cheesy, Leonard.
- 307 Huh?
- 308 If youthink that's cheesy, buckleup.
- 309-Penny Hof stadter, will you please stay married to me?
- 310 Oh, damnit, youtoppedit.
- 311-Should we go to the bedroom and make this marriage of ficial?
- 312 Yes, please!
- 313 Okay!
- 314 Sheldon, Ican't believe you got us a wedding gift.
- 315-Idon't know why you're so surprised.
- 316-Iwatch movies; Is ee what people do.
- 317 What is this?
- 318-Planetic kets and hotel reservations for a weekend a way in San Francisco.
- 319 Oh!
- 320 Wow!
- 321-That's sogreat!
- 322-Yeah, there's Fisherman's Wharf and Alcatraz and cable cars.
- 323 We're gonnahave somuch fun.
- 324 (knockingondoor)
- 325 We?
- 326-Isthereaproblem?
- 327 Oh, no, no!
- 328 Ijust, Isaid, "Whee!"
- 329-How dareyou go on the Internet and say meanthings about meand compare my genitalia to part of Czechoslov all the compare my genitalia to compare my genitalia to part of Czechoslov all the compare my genit
- 330 Yousawthroughthatone, didyou?
- 331 Idon'tknow what you were thinking, but take the vide od own now!
- 332 Shewatchedit.
- 333 I'mgonnagetthat girlback.
- 334-Amy: Ionly watched it because you e-mailed it to me with the subject line:
- "This is gonnama keyoum ad"!
- 335-Shewas listening through the door. Shewantsme.

#### 1.3 Episode 03: The Bachelor Party Corrosion

- 1 Would you pass the mustard?
- 2 Sure.
- 3 Hey, want to hear a fun fact about mustard?
- 4 Is it that the glucosinolates which give mustard its flavor were evolved by the cabbage family as a chemical defense against caterpillars?

- 5 Yeah.
- 6 Well, that was fun.
- 7 Good for you, Leonard.
- 8 Hey, there.
- 9 Hey, you're early.
- 10 The movie doesn't start for an hour.
- 11 Actually, we're not going to the movies.
- 12 We are here to kidnap you.
- 13 What are you talking about?
- 14 Well, you eloped and we didn't get a chance to throw you a bachelor party, so there's a van downstairs and we're here to take you to a surprise location for the weekend.
- 15 Well, I'd hardly call this kidnapping.
- 16 Where's the blindfold?
- 17 Where's the duct tape?
- 18 Where's the part where you call me and demand ransom and I try to keep you on the phone, but you hang up seconds before I can trace it and then I say, "I'm getting too old for this crud"?
- 19 When do we leave?
- 20 Right now.
- 21 Yeah, Penny packed you a bag.
- 22 Wow, okay.
- 23 You're seriously going to get in a van and let these two take you to an unknown destination for an entire weekend?
- 24 Oh, not just him; you're coming, too.
- 25 Oh, and how do you think you're going to get me to do that?
- 26 Unhand me!
- 27 This is ridiculous!
- 28 I told you to put tape on his mouth!
- 29 And I told you he bit me!
- 30 Our whole universe was in a hot, dense state
- 31 Then nearly 14 billion years ago expansion started... Wait!
- 32 The Earth began to cool
- 33 The autotrophs began to drool, Neanderthals developed tools
- 34 We built the Wall
- 35 We built the pyramids
- 36 Math, Science, History, unraveling the mystery
- 37 That all started with a big bang
- 38 Bang!
- 39 The Big Bang Theory  $9\mathrm{x}03$
- 40 The Bachelor Party Corrosion
- 41 Sheldon: It's bad enough I'm being taken against my will.
- 42 I don't see why it has to be in some hippie's mobile s\*x dungeon.
- 43 Well, Sheldon, there's something about this van that you're going to find very interesting.
- 44 It runs on syphilis?

- 45 This van was owned and driven by your personal physics hero...
- 46 Richard Feynman.
- 47 No.
- 48 Yeah!
- 49 A buddy of mine let me borrow it.
- 50 This was Feynman's van?
- 51 That's so cool.
- 52 Yeah, nothing's been changed since he drove it.
- 53 I bet he picked up a lot of cute grad students in this bad boy.
- 54 Yeah, and talked about physics with them!
- 55 (gasps)
- 56 So, are you gonna give us a clue where we're headed?
- 57 Uh, okay, let's see...
- 58 They've got spicy food and there's a chance you'll get diarrhea.
- 59 India.
- 60 We can drive there.
- 61 Your house?
- 62 We are going to Meh-he-co!
- 63 Fun, I've never been there!
- 64 Leonard, don't be fooled!
- 65 I'm from Texas-
- 66 Meh-he-co is Spanish for Mexico.
- 67 What's wrong with Mexico?
- 68 Uh, mariachi bands, wild dogs, beans that jump around 'cause there's a worm inside.
- 69 Okay, calm down.
- 70 There's a theme to this weekend.
- 71 We are going to Mexico in Feynman's van to stay at the vacation house Feynman bought with the money from his Nobel Prize.
- 72 Viva la Imodium!
- 73 Ay-ay-ay!

### 1.4 Episode 04: The 2003 Approximation

- 1 What a wonderful day, thank you.
- 2 Oh, we're glad you had fun.
- 3 Blue Icees and a trip to The Container Store?
- 4 It's like I died and went to the post-mortem, neuron-induced hallucination commonly mistaken as heaven.
- 5 I still don't understand why you bought that pill caddie.
- 6 You're a young man.
- 7 Age is a state of mind, Leonard.
- 8 In here I'm 90.
- 9 Why are you taking your bins over there?
- 10 That's just where I need them.
- 11 You know, she doesn't have a lot of closet space.

- 12 What's wrong with your closet?
- 13 Uh...
- 14 Well, honey, you know, now that Leonard and I are married, it kind of makes sense that we actually live together.
- 15 So that's all this day was?
- 16 A plan to butter me up before delivering bad news?
- 17 Come on, buddy.
- 18 No, I thought we were friends.
- 19 You asked for a sip of my Icee.
- 20 If you had your own straw, I might've said yes.
- 21 Sheldon, please, we already feel bad about this.
- 22 You know what they don't sell at The Container Store?
- 23 Something large enough to contain my disappointment.
- 24 Although, if anyone did, it would be them.
- 25 Our whole universe was in a hot, dense state
- 26 Then nearly 14 billion years ago expansion started... Wait!
- 27 The Earth began to cool
- 28 The autotrophs began to drool, Neanderthals developed tools
- 29 We built the Wall
- 30 We built the pyramids
- 31 Math, Science, History, unraveling the mystery
- 32 That all started with a big bang
- 33 Bang!
- 34 The Big Bang Theory  $9\mathrm{x}04$
- 35 The 2003 Approximation
- 36 Original Air Date on October 12, 2015
- 37 Thank you for letting me come speak with you.
- 38 Of course.
- 39 As my relationships with Penny and Amy are currently strained, I'm turning to you for female comfort and encouragement.
- 40 Aww.
- 41 I'm honored.
- 42 I tried reaching out to my mother, but she was in Bible study.
- 43 Leonard's mother is on a book tour.
- 44 My Mee-Maw was taking a nap, and after a while Siri started repeating her answers.
- 45 So, I'm your seventh choice.
- 46 Yeah, I know, top ten, pretty exciting.
- 47 How can I help you?
- 48 Well, in addition to Amy leaving me, Leonard's moving in with Penny.
- 49 It's difficult not to feel abandoned.
- 50 Well, why don't you look at this as an opportunity?
- 51 You had other roommates before Leonard.
- 52 Maybe this is a chance to find someone new.
- 53 Perhaps I could find someone better than Leonard.
- 54 Someone I can rub in his face.

- 55 Chris Pratt's all the rage right now.
- 56 I wonder how he'd feel about taking the smaller bedroom.
- 57 Hey.
- 58 Hey.
- 59 You know who would be the perfect roommate?
- 60 Gandalf, but he's a smoker.
- 61 Stuart.
- 62 He's been living with us for a while now.
- 63 I'm sure he'd love to get us out of his hair.
- 64 Nope, couldn't be happier.
- 65 Well, Sheldon's looking for a...
- 66 Nope.
- 67 He'll think about it.
- 68 No I won't!
- 69 Have you seen this Archie comic?
- 70 It's actually Archie versus Predator.
- 71 How could Archie defeat Predator?
- 72 I don't know.
- 73 Maybe Jughead's a Terminator.
- 74 Hey.
- 75 Hey, Stuart.
- 76 Do you guys know any musicians?
- 77 Why?
- 78 I was thinking it might be cool to have live music here a few nights a week.
- 79 You know, give this place more of a "staying in business" vibe.
- 80 What kind of music are you thinking of?
- 81 I like all kinds of music, but my favorite genre is free.
- 82 Hey, we've always talked about playing together.
- 83 Well, it could be fun to try a little acoustic thing.
- 84 Oh, we could play "filk" music.
- 85 What's that?
- 86 It's been around for years.
- 87 It's like folk music, but with a sci-fi/fantasy theme.
- 88 I like it.
- 89 It sounds exactly like something I shouldn't be expected to pay for.
- 90 Dude, if we do this, we're gonna need a cool band name.
- 91 You know, I've actually (chuckles) had one I've been sitting on for years.
- 92 Really?
- 93 It was for this power trio I tried to put together in junior high, but I was short two friends.
- 94 What is it?
- 95 Footprints on the Moon.
- 96 I just got chills.
- 97 So did I.
- 98 Me, too.
- 99 But I-I might have Lyme Disease.

- 100 Just a few more signatures, and we'll be finished.
- 101 Initial here to acknowledge that you've returned your key.
- 102 Okav.
- 103 As my future neighbor, I'd like you to have a key.
- 104 Initial here to acknowledge you received it.
- 105 I'm proud of you. You're taking this really well.
- 106 Well, it's not like I'm never going to see you two again.
- 107 Which brings us to article 23 subsection C– please check here to reserve your spot at the ten year roommate reunion.
- 108 Do I really have to do that now?
- 109 No, but if you want chicken and get stuck with the fish, year that's on you.
- 110 All right.
- 111 Oh, and lastly, please initial here to confirm that ownership of the living room couch is hereby transferred to me in perpetuity all throughout the universe and all alternate universes except for those universes where owning a couch is forbidden by the hive queen.
- 112 In which case, all glory to the hive queen.
- 113 All right, now all that's left is for us to sign and date the document, and we will officially no longer be roommates.
- 114 What's the matter?
- 115 It's harder than I thought.
- 116 Let me help you.
- 117 L-E-O-N...
- 118 That helped.
- 119 So I have an idea for a filk song.
- 120 Kind of a, a power ballad, superhero crossover tale of epic proportions.
- 121 Is it cold in here, 'cause, oh, my.
- 122 Okay, so it's a, it's a David and Goliath story.
- 123 It's about man against God.
- 124 It's called "Hammer and Whip: "The Untold Story of Thor versus Indiana Jones."
- 125 Thor versus Indiana Jones?
- 126 You just blew my filking mind.
- 127 Okay, I don't have it all worked out yet, but I was thinking something like, um...
- 128 Oh, Indy
- 129 Oh, Indy
- 130 The skies are so windy
- 131 Is that a flying man with a killer bod?
- 132 Wait
- 133 That's no man
- 134 It's a Norse god.
- 135 Oh yes, definitely.
- 136 Hang on.
- 137 Thunder clapped as Thor raised his mighty hammer
- 138 Indy rapped, "That's one bad mamma-jamma."

- 139 That-that is so good!
- 140 Right?
- 141 Mamma-jamma just came to me.
- 142 Okay, and here's the hook.
- 143 Thor and Dr. Jones
- 144 Thor and Dr. Jones
- 145 One plays with lightning
- 146 The other plays with bones
- 147 Both: Thor and Dr. Jones
- 148 (harmonizing): Thor and Dr. Jones
- 149 One plays with lightning
- 150 The other plays with bones.
- 151 Oh, man, that rocks.
- 152 Hey, remember The Ark of the Covenant?
- 153 Yeah?
- 154 That's how much we're gonna melt people's faces off.
- 155 I appreciate your interest in the apartment.
- 156 I just need to ask you a few standard questions.
- 157 Sure.
- 158 It says here you're a chemist.
- 159 Which element on the periodic table do you feel is too big for its britches?
- 160 Is that supposed to be a joke?
- 161 Looks like argon's not the only one with an attitude problem.
- 162 In general, would you say that you smell better, worse or the same as you do right now?
- 163 I was going to ask you what is the best fruit, but then I realized what I want to ask you is why is there a Band-Aid on your forearm, but then I realized what I really want to ask you is just can you just go?
- 164 You're healthy.
- 165 You have a job in the sciences.
- 166 I've got to say, if this credit report comes back good, you're the frontrunner.
- 167 I'm not gonna be your roommate, Sheldon.
- 168 But I met with 11 people, and they all walked out.
- 169 And that Hollywood phony Chris Pratt never tweeted me back.
- 170 I'm sure you'll find somebody else.
- 171 I suppose.
- 172 What happened to me, Amy?
- 173 Years ago I was completely disengaged from my feelings.
- 174 I'd say it was a happier time, but I was disengaged from my feelings, so who can tell?
- 175 I don't know how to help you.
- 176 You know, feelings are a part of life.
- 177 They didn't used to be.
- 178 You and Leonard and Penny, you all poisoned me with emotions.
- 179 I was like the Tin Man, perfectly content until that evil Wizard gave him

- a heart.
- 180 I don't think that was the point of the movie.
- 181 Fine, then I was like Pinocchio before that jerk Geppetto went and made him a real boy.
- 182 There you go.
- 183 So, what are you thinking for dinner?
- 184 Well, it's Thai food night.
- 185 Well, honey, you don't live with Sheldon anymore.
- 186 You can have anything you want.
- 187 You're right.
- 188 But what?
- 189 Mexican?
- 190 Italian? German?
- 191 Indian? Greek?
- 192 Cuban? Chinese?
- 193 Pizza? Barbecue?
- 194 Korean? Korean barbecue?
- 195 How about Thai food?
- 196 Oh, thank God. Hey, we're going to dinner. You want to come?
- 197 Oh, I wish I could, but I realized I've become too emotionally vulnerable, so, like an operating system, I'm restoring my life to the last stable version, which was in 2003, the day before I met Leonard.
- 198 You heard him, no.
- 199 Hang on.
- 200 Wait, you actually think it's 2003?
- 201 No, just because I'm living my life like it was 12 years ago doesn't mean I'm delusional.
- 202 And since it is 2003, I don't know who you are, so please exit the premises before I call the police on my stylish new flip phone.
- 203 Are you doing okay?
- 204 I guess.
- 205 I'm just, you know, worried about Sheldon.
- 206 Well, come on, he's a grown man in his 30s pretending to be a grown man in his 20s.
- 207 He's fine.
- 208 I hope so.
- 209 What else can you do? Move back in with him?
- 210 No, of course not. I-I just feel bad.
- 211 Well, so do I, but don't you want to live with your wife and set the thermostat to whatever you want and have your body tell you when it's time to go to the bathroom, you know, not a schedule slipped underneath your door every morning?
- 212 I did like that he had the weather on it.
- 213 Trust me, this is the right thing.
- 214 I know.
- 215 And it's not like we're abandoning him.

- 216 Plus, we can FaceTime him whenever we want, you know, once iPhones are invented in his universe.
- 217 I can't believe Sheldon asked you to be his roommate.
- 218 I can't believe he ran my credit.
- 219 Hey, if you're open to living with someone great, I'll give you 1,000totakeStuart.
- 220-Your eally should've gone on the Internet and checked how long that kind of thing lives before you go to ne.
- 221 I'msorry.
- 222-Ijust thought your ight have a pasty, we irdo-shaped hole in your life.
- 223-Hey, Iknow Sheldon's quirky, but he's also brilliant and in sightful.
- 224-Ithink calling him a weir do is a little unfair.
- 225 Hello, 2003!
- 226 Hey, we brought you Thai.
- 227 Where is everything?
- 228-Inmypresent, it's in the future.
- 229-Inyour present, it's been crammed in the bedroom by an enterprising young man Imet in The Home Depot park in the property of the propert
- 230 Iknow what you're doing.
- 231-You'r etrying to get attentions owe'll feel bad for you, but it's not happening.
- 232-No, what I'm doing is trying to figure out how to live my life now that every one is leaving me.
- 233 Willyouknockit of f?
- 234 We're a cross the hall.
- 235 Asthekids are saying today, "talk to the hand."
- 236 They'renot saying that.
- 237 They are in 2003.
- 238 No, they'r ereally not.
- 239-Thorand Dr. Jones
- 240 Thorand Dr. Jones
- 241 Oneruns from Loki
- 242-The other runs from stones.
- 243 So, what doyouthink?
- 244 Wow.
- 245-Runs from stones means that-that big boulder, but I couldn't rhyme anything with boulder.
- 246 Colder, shoulder, soldier, folder...
- 247 Right, yeah, right.
- 248 But...what doyouthink?
- 249 Ithinkit's very cute.
- 250-Cute? It's not cute.
- 251-Cute is children dressed as vegetables.
- 252 Okay, fine, it's not cute.
- 253 Just behonest. Youdon't like it.
- 254 Ididn't say that.
- 255-I-I just like musicy our and ance to.
- 256-You can dance to this!
- 257 Um, uh, uh...
- 258-Thorand Dr. Jones
- 259 ThorandDr.Jones
- 260 One plays with lightning

- 261-The other plays with bones.
- 262-I'm telling you, dude, the song has no groove.
- 263 Youcan't dance to it.
- 264 Who cares?
- 265-Ithought the whole point of Footprints on the Moon was to write songs that make people think.
- 266-You can do both, like Michael Jackson's "Billie Jean."
- 267 Whileyou'r edancing you'r ethinking, like, "Darnit, whose baby is it?"
- 268 Where's this coming from?
- 269 Afewhoursago, we both loved this song.
- 270-Istill love it.
- 271-Ijust think there's room for improvement.
- 272 Youplayed it for Emily, didn't you?
- 273 Yeah, sowhat? You are such a wimp.
- 274 Shedidn't like it, now you don't like it.
- 275 No, no. I'm just evolving a samusician.
- 276-You're the one who's stuck in the past.
- 277 The pastwas lunch!
- 278 Youknow what's really happening here?
- 279-Your girl friend is breaking upour band.
- 280-She has nothing to do with this.
- 281 Iammyownman.
- 282 Oh, please. Your brain belongs to whoever's willing to sleep with you.
- 283-That is sonot true.
- 284 Really?
- 285-Remember when you were gonnage to ircumcised for Rachel Bernstein?
- 286 That had nothing to do with Rachel.
- 287 It was an over reaction to a badzi pper injury.
- 288-Idon't need this.
- 289 I'mquitting the band!
- 290 Fine, Iquit, too!
- 291 Thengetout of myhouse!
- 292-With pleasure!
- 293 (doorslams)
- 294 (sighs)
- 295 Raj, wait.
- 296 What took you so long?
- 297-Leonard: Buddy, Iknow memoving in with Penny feels like a big change, but it's not.
- 298 How can you say that?
- 299-Amy's gone, and you two are married now, so it's only a matter of time before you'r egone, too.
- 300 Okay, youdon't know what's gonnahappen.
- 301 No, Ido.
- 302-Eventually you'll want more space, and you'll move into ahouse, and then instead of dinner a couple of times auxiliary of the couple of
- 303-Or-or-orlike when Kooth rappali's weir dgirl friend admits where she buried his body.
- 304 Or Amy's wedding, where she's marrying some one better than me.
- 305 Okay, look, we don't need to rush into anything.
- 306 Allright?

- 307-May be instead of Leonard moving in with me, we just leave things the way they are, and ... sometimes we'll sleet a constraint of the property of the pr
- 308-But mostly here.
- 309 Sure.
- 310 W W Whatabout what you said in the restaurant?
- 311 Well, it's not for ever.
- 312 It's just for a while.
- 313-Ifyouwant, we can think of him like he's our dog.
- 314 Youcan.
- 315 I'mhappywhenyoucomehome.
- 316-And I'm scared of fireworks.
- 317 Andby the way, on July Fourth, we're all sleeping here.
- 318 Fine.
- 319 Allright, great!
- 320-Just give meoneminute, and I'll qetstarted on a new Roommate Agreement.
- 321 Yeah.
- 322 Nothing from Pratt. We're good.
- 323-Indy'whipsnapped
- 324-Thor's hammer missed
- 325-Itwas Avenger
- 326-Versus archeologist
- 327-Indyheld his ground
- 328-And straight ened his fedora
- 329-Thorsaid, "That's anice look
- 330 In1944 a"
- 331-Both: Thor and Dr. Jones
- 332 Thorand Dr. Jones
- 333 One plays with lightning
- 334 The other plays bones
- 335-Thorand Dr. Jones
- 336-(high-pitched): Thorand Dr. Jones
- 337-Thor and Dr. Jones
- 338 One plays with lightning
- 339 Theother playsbones.
- 340 (songends)
- 341 Playsomething we can dance to.

### 1.5 Episode 05: The Perspiration Implementation

- 1 Hey, ready for lunch?
- 2 Oh, one sec.
- 3 Is that the prototype drive system for the high-G rover?
- 4 No, Bernadette got me a Fitbit so she can track how much I'm exercising.
- 5 That'll teach her to care about your health.
- 6 I can't wait to see the look on her face when I die young.
- 7 When was the last actual exercise you got?
- 8 The other day, when she tried to put that Fitbit on me and I ran away from

#### her.

- 9 According to a recent study, simply thinking about exercise, even while sitting still, can have physical benefits.
- 10 For all you know, I could be exercising right now.
- 11 Are you?
- 12 Eh, I'll do it tomorrow.
- 13 It wouldn't be the worst thing if we were more active.
- 14 Oh. You make an excellent point.
- 15 Ooh, I think I'm getting a runner's high!
- 16 Our whole universe was in hot, dense state
- 17 Then nearly 14 billion years ago expansion started... Wait!
- 18 The Earth began to cool
- 19 The autotrophs began to drool, Neanderthals developed tools
- 20 We built the Wall
- 21 We built the pyramids
- 22 Math, Science, History, unraveling the mystery
- 23 That all started with a big bang
- 24 Bang!
- 25 The Big Bang Theory  $9\mathrm{x}05$
- 26 The Perspiration Implementation
- 27 Look at all these activities the university has.
- 28 Rock climbing club, archery, flag football.
- 29 Had me at flag, lost me at football.
- 30 Yeah, I think it's great you guys want to get more exercise, but do you really think sports is the right choice for you?
- 31 What are you saying? We're not coordinated enough to play sports?
- 32 Okay, Leonard, sweetheart, you twisted your ankle playing Scrabble.
- 33 I got a triple-word score with a double letter "Q." If that's not a time to bust out the Scrabble dance, what's the point of having one?
- 34 Hey, Barry Kripke started a fencing club.
- 35 Interesting. Sword fighting does hold a certain elegant appeal.
- 36 And I would imagine it meets many of our personal criteria for a sport.
- 37 It's indoors, so no sunscreen.
- 38 No throwing, no catching, no running.
- 39 No gym shorts that can be yanked down.
- 40 Or worse, up.
- 41 Preach.
- 42 And as an added bonus, the word "touché" comes from fencing.
- 43 It would be our only opportunity to use it in a non-metaphorical sense.
- 44 What about a game of tag on a French schoolyard?
- 45 Ah, touché.
- 46 Thanks for coming by.
- 47 Sure. So how can we help?
- 48 Well, I know more women are buying comics than ever, but for some reason,
- I-I can't get 'em in here.
- 49 All right, well, what have you tried so far?

- 50 Uh, I've-I've been stocking more female-oriented titles.
- 51 Uh, in the bathroom, I folded the end of the toilet paper into a triangle.
- 52 And, uh, you are now sitting in the official breastfeeding area.
- 53 Really? In a comic book store?
- 54 Oh, don't worry. I-I've got a camera right up here, so I could watch from the counter and make sure guys aren't being pervs.
- 55 Anyway, so what do I got to do to-to get you in the door?
- 56 Well, for starters, you might want to rethink some of this artwork.
- 57 I mean, this woman's actually on a leash like a dog.
- 58 Well, you don't know the backstory.
- 59 Maybe she kept jumping up on the couch.
- 60 I feel cool.
- 61 Like Puss in Boots.
- 62 I always wanted to be a swashbuckler when I was a kid.
- 63 Technically, "swashbuckler" is a combination of two terms. "Swash" referring to the sound of the sword.
- 64 Swash.
- 65 And then "buckler" meaning a small shield, which you don't have.
- 66 We can still be swashers.
- 67 Hmm.
- 68 Well said, Puss.
- 69 Gentlemen, welcome to the fencing club.
- 70 Before we start, I just want to warn you, fencing isn't a joke.
- 71 I hope you're not here because you think it's going to be like Star Wars.
- 72 That's not why we're here.
- 73 Yeah, I'm here because I think it's gonna be like Game of Thrones.
- 74 And maybe a little Princess Bride.
- 75 Ooh, ooh! I forgot about Princess Bride!
- 76 That's my answer!
- 77 Well, sorry to disappoint you, but fencing is a serious sport.
- 78 If you're not willing to put in the effort, you might as well just leave now.
- 79 We're not afraid of physical activity.
- 80 Yeah.
- 81 I already ran 18 miles today.
- 82 All right. Let's begin with some fundamentals.
- 83 This is the en garde position.
- 84 Feet are in an "L." Heels in a straight line.
- 85 Elbow is about a fist from the rib cage.
- 86 Notice my dominant leg faces forward.
- 87 Oh, dear.
- 88 What's wrong, Cooper?
- 89 Well, I'm not sure I have a dominant leg.
- 90 They're both pretty submissive.
- 91 When you're in a public restroom, which foot do you flush the toilet with?
- 92 Right. Always right.
- 93 He's a righty.

- 94 Okay, show me en garde.
- 95 Good. Knees bent, slightly over the toe.
- 96 Non-sword hand up for balance.
- 97 (groans) I am going to feel this tomorrow.
- 98 The first move is called an advance.
- 99 You move your front foot forward, heel to toe.
- 100 Back foot follows.
- 101 So front foot forward, heel to toe.
- 102 Back foot follows.
- 103 Now you try. Advance.
- 104 And advance. And advance.
- 105 This is easy. I didn't need to wear a cup.
- 106 Kripke: Good.
- 107 The next move is called a retreat.
- 108 Step back.
- 109 Back foot first, toe to heel.
- 110 Front foot follows.
- 111 On three.
- 112 Excuse me, Barry?
- 113 Yes.
- 114 When can I stab one of my friends?
- 115 In fencing, we don't call it a stab.
- 116 We call it a touch.
- 117 Uh, yes, I'm aware.
- 118 But if I say I want to touch one of my friends, I'll get called into Human Resources.
- 119 Okay, on three, Cooper and Koothrappali advance, the other two retreat.
- 120 One, two, three.
- 121 Very good. Switch it up.
- 122 One, two, three.
- 123 Switch again. One, two, three.
- 124 (phone rings)
- 125 (groans)
- 126 Excuse me.
- 127 Can I call you back?
- 128 No, I'm teaching a class.
- 129 Sure. Sure.
- 130 An hour, tops.
- 131 Yeah. Okay.
- 132 Okay. Yeah.
- 133 Okay. Thanks.
- 134 And one, two, three.
- 135 Have you thought about advertising directly to females?
- 136 Hmm, okay.
- 137 Well... All right.
- 138 What if I put up a sign in the window that said, "Women, come in. Don't

be afraid."

- 139 Penny: Hey.
- 140 Uh, have you read the online reviews for this place?
- 141 Eh, the Internet's so negative.
- 142 I try to avoid it.
- 143 All right, well, Heather H. says, "The owner stared at me the whole time and didn't blink once."
- 144 Kelly M. says, "The creepy guy who runs it asked me out, then called himself stupid before I could say no."
- 145 Jessica K. says, "I told the weird owner that I liked his shirt. He took it off and gave it to me."
- 146 See? Negative.
- 147 With your foil extended, kick your front leg up and push off with your back leg.
- 148 Now you try.
- 149 And again.
- 150 And again.
- 151 Look at us! We're like the Rockettes!
- 152 En garde, Leonard.
- 153 Prepare yourself for a rigorous touching.
- 154 (Spanish accent): My name is Inigo Montoya.
- 155 You killed my father.
- 156 Prepare to die.
- 157 (Spanish accent): My name is Inigo Montoya.
- 158 You killed my father. Prepare to die.
- 159 I thought you were Puss in Boots.
- 160 Oh, yeah, right. Sorry.
- 161 (Spanish accent): My name is Puss in Boots.
- 162 You killed my father.
- 163 Prepare to die.
- 164 I'm looking forward to him teaching us glove-slapping.
- 165 What?
- 166 You know, when my honor is insulted, and I need to challenge someone to a duel by slapping them across the face with my glove.
- 167 When was your honor insulted?
- 168 My last physical.
- 169 Again, that doctor didn't insult your honor.
- 170 Just checked your prostate.
- 171 My name is Little Orphan Annie.
- 172 You killed my father.
- 173 Prepare to die.
- 174 (with accent): My name is Darth Vader.
- 175 I am your father. Ah!
- 176 This is fun.
- 177 Good.
- 178 It's nice to see your mind off Amy.

- 179 What's going on with Amy?
- 180 Not that it's any of your business, but she broke up with me.
- 181 Really?
- 182 Good to know.
- 183 "Good to know"? What's that supposed to mean?
- 184 Oh. I hate to say it, but it sounds like he's interested in her.
- 185 Well, that's unacceptable.
- 186 Oh, buddy, I get that you don't like it, but it's not really up to you.
- 187 Yeah, but he's dumb, and his face is dumb.
- 188 Look, even if it's not him, Amy's probably going to date someone at some point.
- 189 You really think so?
- 190 Of course. She deserves to be happy.
- 191 How dare you!
- 192 Listen, I should warn you that maybe asking Amy out isn't a good idea.
- 193 Barry, a word?
- 194 And now the crazy version of what I just said.
- 195 If you intend to pursue Amy, you leave me with no choice but to put a stop to it.
- 196 And how are you gonna do that?
- 197 By challenging you to a duel.
- 198 You've had one lesson.
- 199 I'll destroy you.
- 200 That is why the duel will take place at high noon, three years from today.
- 201 If you're worth your salt as an instructor, I should be ready by then.
- 202 Yeah, and be warned.
- 203 I'm going to touch you all over.
- 204 Wow. That-that was crazier than I thought.
- 205 All right, I'm not saying it's true, but let's-let's consider for a moment that possibly I'm the problem.
- 206 Yeah.
- 207 You are.
- 208 You can say it.
- 209 Okay, fine. What...?
- 210 I mean, what can I do?
- 211 I get so nervous around women.
- 212 Well, you're talking to us now.
- 213 I mean, you don't seem nervous.
- 214 Well, that's 'cause I'm doing that trick where you imagine the audience is naked.
- 215 By the way, thumbs up, ladies.
- 216 Do you not hear how creepy that sounds?
- 217 (laughing): It was a joke.
- 218 Was it?
- 219 No, I'm still doing it.
- 220 Okay.

- 221 Don't be offended, but... what went wrong with you?
- 222 I-I guess I assumed at this point in my life, I would be married or in a relationship, or even have a pet that didn't run away or kill itself.
- 223 That really happened?
- 224 I mean, I can't say for sure, but I swear that rabbit looked me right in the eye before it hopped in front of that car.
- 225 Anyway, the longer I'm alone, the more desperate I get.
- 226 Stuart, believe it or not, I understand.
- 227 You know, before I met Sheldon, I was alone for a really long time.
- 228 I was so desperate for people to like me, when I met these guys, it took everything in my power to hide my insecurity.
- 229 (laughing): Okay, we're all feeling it.
- 230 Yes, I'll go out with you.
- 231 Suddenly, the rabbit thing makes sense.
- 232 I'm surprised you wanted to go to a sports bar, Sheldon.
- 233 Look at this blister.
- 234 Like it or not, we're athletes now.
- 235 Besides, a bar is where I belong.
- 236 I'm having female problems.
- 237 If you're cranky and retaining water, I have a theory.
- 238 Sheldon, instead of focusing on Amy dating other guys, maybe you should start thinking about dating another girl.
- 239 That's ridiculous.
- 240 Koothrappali: Why? You never thought you'd end up in a relationship, and then you met Amy.
- 241 Maybe there's someone else out there for you.
- 242 True, but Penny's married, and so is Bernadette.
- 243 And your girlfriend has red hair and white skin, which really rubs up against my clown phobia.
- 244 Maybe you should consider women who aren't in serious relationships with your closest friends?
- 245 There's that prostate doctor, but I'm still mad at her.
- 246 Oh, there's a woman.
- 247 Oh, I'll make her my girlfriend.
- 248 Whoa, whoa.
- 249 Walking up to a strange woman in a bar usually doesn't work.
- 250 You're forgetting something.
- 251 Ladies love jocks.
- 252 How many sips of that beer did he have?
- 253 Three.
- 254 Oh, boy.
- 255 Excuse me. I'm recovering from a recent breakup, and I'm told asking out another woman might make me feel better.
- 256 And as Ash Ketchum said to Pikachu, "I choose you."
- 257 What?
- 258 It's a Pokémon reference.

- 259 I don't know what that means.
- 260 Well, we gave it a shot.
- 261 How about you?
- 262 I'm married, and I'm her grandmother.
- 263 Ah, what might have been.
- 264 And you, give my regards to Barnum and Bailey.
- 265 Stuart took that rejection like a pro.
- 266 Well, he knew he was on the breast cam.
- 267 I don't have much practice turning men down.
- 268 It wasn't so much fun.
- 269 Oh, you get used to it.
- 270 Some guys you have to turn down over and over.
- 271 And sometimes we marry them anyway.
- 272 (phone chimes)
- 273 Huh.
- 274 Well, this is weird.
- 275 What?
- 276 Barry Kripke just asked me out.
- 277 (gasps)
- 278 Bernadette: Oh.
- 279 Look at you- two guys in one day!
- 280 I told you things would change if you plucked your eyebrows!
- 281 What did he say?
- 282 "Hi, how are you? I was wondering if you'd like to get a drink after work sometime."
- 283 Well, what are you gonna do?
- 284 I don't know.
- 285 I guess I assumed that I would eventually date other people, but this is happening so fast.
- 286 What can it hurt?
- 287 Well, I was hoping the next person I dated would be a little less like Sheldon.
- 288 You mean, not a scientist?
- 289 I think she means not a weirdo.
- 290 Are you attracted to him?
- 291 I don't know.
- 292 All right, well, what happens if you imagine him naked?
- 293 Oh, I don't have to imagine it.
- 294 (gasps)
- 295 I smell funny.
- 296 I taste salty.
- 297 You're just sweaty from exercise.
- 298 And kind of delicious.
- 299 I wonder how many licks it would take to get to the center of me.
- 300 I know it only takes one doctor's finger.
- 301 Hello.

- 302 Hello.
- 303 We should let you guys talk.
- 304 Yeah.
- 305 You don't have to leave.
- 306 Look at me go!
- 307 Uh, Bernadette, you're my ride.
- 308 Bernadette: Walk!
- 309 How have you been?
- 310 I'm doing all right.
- 311 I tried fencing today.
- 312 How'd that go?
- 313 It was pretty easy.
- 314 And I think my background in "mathletics" helped.
- 315 Barry Kripke was there.
- 316 I should let you know that he expressed interest in asking you out.
- 317 Well, actually, he-he already did.
- 318 Okay.
- 319 But don't get too attached to him.
- 320 In two years, 364 days, he's a dead man.
- 321 I said no.
- 322 Interesting.
- 323 I asked two women out today, and they both said no.
- 324 I didn't know you were interested in dating.
- 325 I've been told it's a good way to move on.
- 326 Oh.
- 327 Okay.
- 328 Anyway, um, it's nice to see you.
- 329 You look good.
- 330 Mmm, thanks.
- 331 And I taste good too.
- 332 Howie?
- 333 What's up?
- 334 Why does your Fitbit say you ran 174 miles yesterday?

## 1.6 Episode 06: The Helium Insufficiency

- 1 Sheldon: Leonard...
- 2 I've got terrible news.
- 3 What's going on?
- 4 Before I tell you, perhaps I should soften the blow.
- 5 You're face is pleasingly symmetrical.
- 6 Just tell me.
- 7 A Swedish team of physicists is trying to scoop our super- fluid vortex experiment.
- 8 Oh, well, that kind of stinks.
- 9 "That kind of stinks"?

- 10 Why aren't you more upset?
- 11 Did I soften the blow too much?
- 12 Because this here is more like a Picasso painting.
- 13 What are we going to do?
- 14 Perform the experiment immediately.
- 15 I'd love to, but we need liquid helium and our shipment's on back order for a month.
- 16 A month? What? Are you kidding me?
- 17 That would have been a good time for you to soften the blow.
- 18 That shirt brings out the blue in your eyes.
- 19 Thank you. Aren't you sweet.
- 20 Let's go check to see if the university has any helium in reserve.
- 21 Did you know that I almost didn't wear this shirt today?
- 22 Hey, Barry, we're in trouble.
- 23 We need liquid helium—does the department have any we can use?
- 24 Sorry, there's a shortage.
- 25 And what we do have I need for my quantum excitation study.
- 26 But you won't need much for that.
- 27 True, but if it's successful, I'm having a party with balloons.
- 28 Come on, Barry, there's a Swedish team trying to run our experiment before us.
- 29 Can't you spare any?
- 30 Be honest- if the shoe was on the other foot, would you do this for me?
- 31 Yes.
- 32 No chance.
- 33 What are you doing?
- 34 He said be honest, so I was honest.
- 35 Didn't your mother tell you? It's the best policy.
- 36 So, what do you say?
- 37 Hell no.
- 38 He could've softened the blow.
- 39 Our whole universe was in a hot, dense state
- 40 Then nearly 14 billion years ago expansion started... Wait!
- 41 The Earth began to cool
- 42 The autotrophs began to drool, Neanderthals developed tools
- 43 We built the Wall
- 44 We built the pyramids
- 45 Math, Science, History, unraveling the mystery
- 46 That all started with a big bang
- 47 Bang!
- 48 The Big Bang Theory 9x06
- 49 The Helium Insufficiency
- 50 Original Air Date on October 26, 2015
- 51 Why do you need Kripke?
- 52 Why don't you just go to Party City for helium?
- 53 We'd have to go to every Party City in California.

- 54 Sounds like you on Cinco de Mayo.
- 55 Hey, people were still talking about that party on siete de Mayo.
- 56 Leonard, if that Swedish team beats us, I will never be able to enjoy anything from their country again.
- 57 Which is a shame, because Swedish meatballs are my favorite toothpick-delivered meatball.
- 58 If you need liquid helium so bad, I know a guy who can get you some, if you don't ask too many questions.
- 59 Who is he? Where does he work?
- 60 How does he get the helium?
- 61 How many questions are too many questions?
- 62 Maybe he's not for you.
- 63 Four questions. There answer's four.
- 64 Hey, you know who went out on a date the other night? Stuart.
- 65 Oh, good for him.
- 66 I thought so, too.
- 67 So is she, like, homeless, or framing him for a crime?
- 68 He's using some kind of dating app on his phone.
- 69 Oh, which one?
- 70 Maybe we can get Amy to try it.
- 71 I don't know.
- 72 Stuart, can you come in here?
- 73 He tried to explain it to me.
- 74 It shows you pictures of people nearby, you swipe them around, it looks kind of like a game.
- 75 Oh, and if you lose the game, you have to go out with Stuart.
- 76 What's up?
- 77 Can you show us that dating app?
- 78 Oh, yeah, sure.
- 79 This thing has changed my life.
- 80 Wow. So how many girls have you met?
- 81 Two.
- 82 I probably don't need to mention there's an entire number between that and zero.
- 83 Well, so how does it work?
- 84 Uh, well, it-it shows me all the single women in a five-mile radius who are using the app.
- 85 If I like the way they look, I hit "thumbs up."
- 86 If I don't, "thumbs down."
- 87 Oh, what would make you give a girl a thumbs down?
- 88 First time it happens I will let you know.
- 89 Oh, hey. I just heard back from the liquid helium guy.
- 90 What's he say?
- 91 He's got what we need and can meet us tonight.
- 92 Oh, really?
- 93 You know I don't like buying things at night.

- 94 January 7, 2009.
- 95 I went to the Ralph's at 11:30pm to pick up Cracklin' Oat Bran for the morning and what did I see?
- 96 The man restocking the cereal shelves.
- 97 That's right. And what did he do?
- 98 He handed you the box directly and called you Stretch.
- 99 (shudders)
- 100 It's like it was yesterday.
- 101 Do you want liquid helium or not?
- 102 Of course I do.
- 103 I don't want that Swedish team scooping us.
- 104 Then I'm going to tell him we're in.
- 105 Leonard, wait. This is highly unethical.
- 106 We're just bending the rules a little.
- 107 We have grant money to do the experiment, so we're going to spend it on the helium we need.
- 108 It's not like when Dr. Goldfarb claimed he bought an electron microscope and he was really just keeping a Russian girl in an apartment in Van Nuys.
- 109 Was she helping him with his research?
- 110 Sure.
- 111 So, are we doing this?
- 112 Okay, but where does he get the helium?
- 113 Remember? Don't ask too many questions?
- 114 Uh, but this is violating university code.
- 115 A little, but... (stammers) if I may quote Einstein, "The pursuit of science calls us to ignore the rules set by man""
- 116 Huh.
- 117 All right, do it.
- 118 Tell him we're in.
- 119 (Leonard typing rapidly)
- 120 Done.
- 121 I can't find that quote on the Internet.
- 122 Did you make that up?
- 123 Before I answer, may I just say your skin has never looked better.
- 124 Aren't you just made of sugar.
- 125 I'm not sure how I feel about this.
- 126 Oh, come on, just let him put the app on your phone.
- 127 Yeah, Stuart got two dates with it.
- 128 One of which would've ended in s\*x had she not said no.
- 129 Okay, all set.
- 130 Okay, let me see. (clears her throat)
- 131 Nope, nope, nope...
- 132 Oh, he's cute!
- 133 Doesn't a teardrop tattoo mean he murdered someone?
- 134 And he's sad about it.
- 135 Hey. Hello.

- 136 Hey. Hey, I thought you were gonna be out late?
- 137 If you wanted me to stay out later, you should've given me more spending money.
- 138 What are you guys up to?
- 139 We put Amy on a dating app, and we're seeing what's out there.
- 140 Oh, fun! Let me see.
- 141 Uh, no... no, uh, definitely not.
- 142 What was wrong with that guy?
- 143 Uh, he's Indian.
- 144 We've already got one of those.
- 145 Ooh, we should find a nice Latino.
- 146 It really round us out.
- 147 Hey, I want to try.
- 148 Uh, excuse me, c-can I have my phone back?
- 149 Hang on, I'm trying to find you the next great love of your life.
- 150 The man who will father your children.
- 151 Okay, yes or no on white guy with dreadlocks?
- 152 (all clamoring)
- 153 That must be him.
- 154 Sheldon: Oh, of course.
- 155 An nondescript, white panel van.
- 156 You may be familiar with it from the sentence:
- 157 "Their bodies were found in a nondescript, white panel van""
- 158 (doors close)
- 159 Hey.
- 160 What's up?
- 161 Uh, I'm Leonard.
- 162 This is my friend—I'm Skippy.
- 163 Skippy Cavanaugh.
- 164 Great.
- 165 You got the cash?
- 166 Uh, yeah, uh, right here.
- 167 Wait, hold on, hold on.
- 168 How do we know that you're not gonna take the money and drive away?
- 169 What ya doing, Skippy?
- 170 Exactly what 1970s television crime dramas have taught us.
- 171 You give us the helium first.
- 172 Oh, how do I know you're not gonna drive away without paying me?
- 173 Guess I'm not the only one who watches '70s television crime dramas.
- 174 Look, you can trust us.
- 175 We're respected scientists.
- 176 Well, he is.
- 177 I'm a wedding planner, who can't find love himself.
- 178 It's ironic, but the point is we can't trust you.
- 179 You're a sketchy character in a parking garage.
- 180 Yeah, well, from my perspective, that's how you two appear to me.

- 181 Well, I never thought of it like that.
- 182 Boy, frame of reference will just sneak up on you, won't it?
- 183 My friend does make a decent point about the money.
- 184 I don't feel comfortable just handing it over up front.
- 185 Ah-ah-ah, no money, no helium.
- 186 Seems we're at a, uh, stalemate.
- 187 Not technically.
- 188 In chess, a stalemate refers to a situation in which there are no remaining moves.
- 189 Uh, you have plenty of moves available.
- 190 You could beat us up and steal the money.
- 191 You could kill us, you know.
- 192 Really, you're only limited by your imagination.
- 193 Huh. All these years, I've been using "stale mate," when I really mean "impasse." I feel foolish.
- 194 I don't think it matters if this is a stalemate or an impasse or a Mexican standoff. What are we gonna do here?
- 195 Oh, whoa, whoa, how can it be a Mexican standoff? Everybody knows you need three sides for that.
- 196 Not necessarily.
- 197 Uh, many argue the essence of a Mexican standoff is that no one can walk away from the conflict without incurring harm.
- 198 Hmm, I don't follow.
- 199 Let me give you an example. Earlier today, I decoded the headers on your e-mail, and I know that your name is Kenneth Fitzgerald. From that, I figured out where you live and where you work.
- 200 Now, to make this a Mexican standoff, I would say something like, uh, "You give us the helium or I'll turn you in to the authorities"
- 201 Is that a threat?
- 202 Yeah, exactly. See, you're getting it.
- 203 Yeah, well, I know where you work, all right? And if you mess with me, I'll report you, then I'll pound your asses into the ground.
- 204 Perfect! Now we really are in a Mexican standoff.
- 205 Is this one of those times where I've won the battle but lost the war?
- 206 Afraid so, Skippy.
- 207 I told you we shouldn't go shopping at night.
- 208 All right, let's all just calm down.
- 209 Nobody wants to report anybody.
- 210 No, I don't like this. I'm out.
- 211 No, no, no. Wait, don't go.
- 212 Just let me explain. We're physicists, and we're trying to prove a hypothesis that we've been working on for over a year.
- 213 Really? What's the hypothesis?
- 214 Space-time can be interpreted as the surface of an n-dimensional superfluid
- 215 Hmm. Could be, could be.

- 216 Go on.
- 217 Okay, but now there's this Swedish team that read our paper and they're trying to beat us to our own discovery.
- 218 We really need this helium.
- 219 And I'm sorry I lied about being a wedding planner who can't find love.
- 220 Although I am currently single, if you know anybody.
- 221 Here's the money. Can we do this?
- 222 Okay.
- 223 It's a shame about those scientists ripping you off.
- 224 I expected a higher ethical standard from our friends in Sweden.
- 225 It's actually pretty common in our field.
- 226 Not much you can do about it.
- 227 Well, for the right amount of money, if you know where they live, there's, uh, plenty we could do about it.
- 228 Did you hear that, Leonard?
- 229 There's plenty we could do about it.
- 230 Do you have a card?
- 231 Okay, here we go.
- 232 Now everyone can see.
- 233 All right. (clears throat)
- 234 Where do we stand on cross-eyed Mike?
- 235 You know he won't be looking at other girls.
- 236 Unless they're sitting on the end of his nose.
- 237 Okay, okay, okay. Thumbs down.
- 238 Next.
- 239 Ew, check out his tiny teeth.
- 240 He looks like a man-dolphin.
- 241 Wait, if he's good in bed, she can throw him a fish.
- 242 (high-pitched): I love you, Amy.
- 243 (squeaking)
- 244 Okay, I'm starting to feel guilty. Aren't we being a little mean?
- 245 That's a fair point.
- 246 We wouldn't make fun of someone like this to their face.
- 247 Look, it's Stuart!
- 248 You may want to leave the room.
- 249 Sheldon: Right this way, Uncle Harvey.
- 250 Will you stop with that already?
- 251 I'm trying not to attract attention.
- 252 And tipping his hat to the cleaning lady didn't do that?
- 253 She said, "Buenas noches." What was he supposed to do?
- 254 Let's just start the experiment.
- 255 Leonard, we should probably have our story straight in case we get caught.
- 256 We're not getting caught.
- 257 Well, you can't be sure of that.
- 258 What if the helium dealer rats us out?
- 259 What if Kripke asks where we got it?

- 260 What if the university checks my family tree and finds out I don't have an Uncle Harvey?
- 261 The dealer doesn't care, Kripke has no authority over us, and you being related to a metal container would explain a lot.
- 262 Help me hook this up.
- 263 Uh-oh. What?
- 264 Well, did you see this sticker? What is it?
- 265 It's partially torn off, but the segment that remains reads:
- 266 "Property of" and the letter "U."
- 267 It's probably USC or UCLA.
- 268 Yeah, but what if it's "Property of U.S. Government"?
- 269 There's a national helium reserve in Amarillo, Texas.
- 270 If this was stolen from there, we're accessories to a federal crime.
- 271 Let's not jump to conclusions.
- 272 A lot of things start with "U."
- 273 That's true.
- 274 There's the U.S. Air Force, U.S. Department of Defense, U.S. Navy, "you" and I are going to jail.
- 275 Listen, we can do the experiment as planned and beat the Swedish team to the punch, or we can kiss our dreams good-bye because we were to afraid to break a few rules.
- 276 Ma'am.
- 277 Okay, does everyone remember the rules?
- 278 If he's shirtless, one sip.
- 279 Posing with a pet, two sips.
- 280 Pet and shirtless, chug like it's your job.
- 281 And pull!
- 282 I have that same underwear!
- 283 Chug!
- 284 (phone chimes)
- 285 Mm, Amy, you're getting a text.
- 286 Oh, um, give me that.
- 287 Koothrappali: "I had a great time last night""
- 288 No, no, st-stop reading that.
- 289 Who's Dave?
- 290 I...
- 291 You went on a date last night?
- 292 Are you seeing someone?
- 293 No, it-it's not like that.
- 294 (phone chimes)
- 295 "And I'd love to take you out again"?
- 296 Amy!
- 297 What?
- 298 Can't believe it. Oh, my God.
- 299 Okay, it's like that.
- 300 Thank you for coming back.

- 301 Yeah, well, normally I wouldn't, but my daughter's having a sleepover, and there's only so much screaming and Katy Perry a man can take.
- 302 Anyway, if you could just give us our money back, you can have your helium and we'll be on our way.
- 303 Yeah, well, is there something wrong with it?
- 304 No, nothing. We just changed our mind.
- 305 He has glasses and I'm a know-it-all; we are not built for prison.
- 306 Yeah, I hear you.
- 307 Well, you're good guys, so I'll, uh...
- 308 I'll take the helium off your hands.
- 309 Thank you.
- 310 But you ain't getting your money back.
- 311 You're taking advantage of us?
- 312 We clarified nomenclature together.
- 313 Look, I enjoy semantic digressions as much as the next guy, but, uh, this is business.
- 314 You know what? It's fine. Keep the money.
- 315 We just want to be done with this.
- 316 No problem, but I am gonna have to charge you a small helium restocking fee.
- 317 I don't understand.
- 318 He wants more money.
- 319 Well, it better not be more than a thousand dollars; that's all I've got on me.
- 320 That's exactly how much it is.
- 321 Finally, something breaks our way.
- 322 I can't believe you're seeing someone and we don't even know about it.
- 323 Yeah, why wouldn't you tell us?
- 324 Because it's new and weird and I'm just trying to figure it all out.
- 325 And I knew if I told you guys I had been out with a few people that you'd get way too excited about it.
- 326 A few people?
- 327 What?! Amy!
- 328 Amy!
- 329 So, are we allowed to ask how it's going?
- 330 It's going fine.
- 331 It's mostly just been meeting people for coffee.
- 332 Wha...?!
- 333 I thought we were all...
- 334 Never mind.
- 335 I-I thought you weren't ready to start seeing people.
- 336 Well, I don't have much experience dating, so I decided it would be good for me to, you know, get out there a little.
- 337 Well, good for you.
- 338 Thank you.
- 339 And how many guys have you gone out with?

- 340 Please be less than two.
- 341 Three.
- 342 Damn it.
- 343 Well, the Swedes might beat us, but at least we won't get gang-noogied in prison.
- 344 Is Ernest Goes to Jail the only prison movie you've seen?
- 345 It scared me straight, Leonard.
- 346 (knock on door)
- 347 Hey, I've been thinking.
- 348 I was being petty.
- 349 You can have my helium.
- 350 Thank you, Barry.
- 351 But you have to add my name to your paper.
- 352 That's preposterous.
- 353 I don't know, seems fair.
- 354 You can't do it without me.
- 355 Can you give us a minute?
- 356 Take your time.
- 357 I'll walk out backwards for dramatic effect.
- 358 I don't like being extorted like this.
- 359 Especially by him of all people.
- 360 Me neither, but what other choice do we have?
- 361 I promise this is the last time.
- 362 It says right here on Wikipedia. "A Mexican standoff is a confrontation between at least three parties."
- 363 How can you trust Wikipedia if they use "between" to refer to three parties? They should've used "among," right?
- 364 Or "amongst," if they were feeling whimsically archaic.
- 365 All right, enough with the chitchat. Are we gonna watch Ernest Goes to Jail or not?
- 366 Absolutely.
- 367 But don't be surprised if this movie sets you on the straight and narrow.
- 368 I am open to change.

## 1.7 Episode 07: The Spock Resonance

- 1 Did you hear about this study that found people that were cool and popular at 13 have problems succeeding later in life?
- 2 Hmm. I'm doing okay, and I was very popular at 13.
- 3 In school?
- 4 Oh, no. At home.
- 5 The servants would sing to me, laugh at my jokes...
- 6 I wish I knew their names.
- 7 Does the study say what happens to the unpopular kids?
- 8 You tell me- you woke up in bed with one.
- 9 Listen to this.

- 10 I just received an e-mail from Wil Wheaton.
- 11 Leonard Nimoy's son is working on a documentary that he started with his father before he passed away.
- 12 It's about Mr. Spock and his impact on our culture.
- 13 Hmm.
- 14 Why is he writing to you?
- 15 Well, they're looking for fans to interview, and Wil thought I'd be good for it.
- 16 Oh. Hey, high five.
- 17 Absolutely not.
- 18 Yeah, Penny, you spent some time in front of the camera. Any words of advice?
- 19 Yes. Don't take your shirt off just because the director said so.
- 20 This is a documentary about Mr. Spock.
- 21 I'm sure if there's nudity, it will be tasteful.
- 22 Our whole universe was in a hot, dense state
- 23 Then nearly 14 billion years ago expansion started... Wait!
- 24 The Earth began to cool
- 25 The autotrophs began to drool, Neanderthals developed tools
- 26 We built the Wall
- 27 We built the pyramids
- 28 Math, Science, History, unraveling the mystery
- 29 That all started with a big bang
- 30 Bang!
- 31 The Big Bang Theory 9x07
- 32 The Spock Resonance
- 33 Original Air Date on November 5, 2015
- 34 (sword fight sound effects on video game)
- 35 Hey. You got a minute?
- 36 Not really.
- 37 Visigoths are kind of up my butt right now.
- 38 Pause the game, Howard.
- 39 "Howard"? Uh-oh.
- 40 Make room, Visigoths.
- 41 'Sup?
- 42 We need to talk about redecorating this place.
- 43 Oh, no, not this again.
- 44 Look, I get that you grew up here and you're attached to things looking a certain way, but... I want this to feel like my house, too.
- 45 Oh, honey, of course it's your house. Why else would you be cleaning it all the time?
- 46 (chuckles)
- 47 All right. Let's start over.
- 48 I'm redecorating.
- 49 The furniture, the carpeting, the walls.
- 50 I'm changing everything that depresses me when I look at it.

- 51 Try not to be one of those things.
- 52 May I say something?
- 53 Is it about how I can't have new wallpaper 'cause your dad left when you were little and your mom died?
- 54 Never mind.
- 55 Hello, Amy. It's Sheldon.
- 56 Yeah, I-I know that we're broken up, but I'm leaving this message because I thought perhaps you'd like to watch me be interviewed for a documentary about Mr. Spock.
- 57 Or as I like to call it, a Spockumentary.
- 58 Yeah, I'm going to use that joke in the interview, so try to laugh like you're hearing it for the first time.
- 59 You know, hysterically, hmm?
- 60 And with a tinge of sadness that I'm no longer in your life.
- 61 I'm the one who thought of "Spockumentary""
- 62 And I'm laughing like I did the first time I heard it.
- 63 (knocking on door)
- 64 Hello.
- 65 Hey, Sheldon.
- 66 This is Adam Nimoy.
- 67 Nice to meet you.
- 68 Oh, it's nice to meet you.
- 69 I admire your father's work very much.
- 70 It's not every day I get to meet someone whose life's journey began in my hero's scrotum.
- 71 I told you. This guy is gold.
- 72 Whatcha doing?
- 73 Oh!
- 74 Making myself a bologna sandwich like my mom used to make me after my dad left, but before she died.
- 75 Okay, listen, I'm thinking that maybe we can compromise on the house.
- 76 I'm listening.
- 77 Let's just redo one room and see how it goes.
- 78 That is reasonable.
- 79 But what room?
- 80 How 'bout this one?
- 81 No way. No, this is the room I associate the most with my mom.
- 82 Then how 'bout the bathroom?
- 83 I want to change my answer.
- 84 Fine. Then the dining room.
- 85 I guess we didn't use it very often.
- 86 Unless we had company.
- 87 Which didn't happen much after my dad left and not at all after my mom...
- 88 Great! I'm gonna go pick out paint samples.
- 89 All right, we're just gonna have a conversation.
- 90 Pretend the camera's not here.

- 91 All right. But this better not be some elaborate scheme to get me out of my shirt.
- 92 How long have you known Adam?
- 93 A few years. Mm-hmm.
- 94 And what are you getting him back for?
- 95 Let's start with your name and occupation.
- 96 Dr. Sheldon Cooper, theoretical physicist, Caltech.
- 97 And what is your earliest memory of the character Spock?
- 98 The first episode of Star Trek: The Original Series I ever saw was "The Galileo Seven."
- 99 Uh, Spock had just landed on the planet Taurus II.
- 100 Then my brother came in, sat on my head, and said, "Eat farts."
- 101 After that day, I was hooked.
- 102 On Star Trek, not my brother's sphincter-based cuisine.
- 103 What was it about Spock that appealed to you?
- 104 I think the same thing that appeals to people everywhere, the dream of a cold, rational world entirely without human emotion.
- 105 Spock came from a planet governed only by logic.
- 106 You know, on Vulcan, when your brother asks, "Why are you hitting yourself?" the answer is, "I'm not.
- 107 You're moving my arm."
- 108 To which he says, "Fascinating."
- 109 And then you both watch educational television.
- 110 (quietly): Aw. When he says things like that, I just want to hug him and make everything better.
- 111 My brother was mean to me, too.
- 112 Yeah, you probably had it coming.
- 113 Do you have any Spock collectibles?
- 114 I have many.
- 115 My most treasured is an autographed napkin given to me by my very thoughtful friend Penny.
- 116 That's her over there.
- 117 Hi!
- 118 Look at that.
- 119 I'm in a movie, my shirt stayed on.
- 120 Can we see the napkin?
- 121 Of course. Excuse me.
- 122 This will just take a moment.
- 123 When did we get a wall safe?
- 124 When there was no more room in the floor safe.
- 125 When did we get a floor safe?
- 126 When we got the security camera.
- 127 There's a security camera?
- 128 Aquaman, protecting your home since 2012.
- 129 Oh, my God. We've done things on that couch.
- 130 Yeah. You don't have to tell me.

- 131 So, your father-in-law is in there right now?
- 132 Yes. So back me up.
- 133 The house is good the way it is.
- 134 Oh, okay. Got it.
- 135 Hey. What's going on?
- 136 Hey.
- 137 Hey, Raj.
- 138 Dad and I were just talking about taking down this wall.
- 139 You sure? It's a... pretty great wall.
- 140 What's so great about it?
- 141 I'm sorry. I did what I could.
- 142 Seriously? You brought Raj over to take your side?
- 143 Your dad's on your side.
- 144 He's not on my side. He's doing all the work for free.
- 145 That is so generous of you.
- 146 I'd like to switch sides.
- 147 Look, uh...
- 148 I don't even think you can take this wall down 'cause it's load-bearing.
- 149 Well, it's easy to find out.
- 150 Just go into the crawlspace under the house and check.
- 151 When is your visa up?
- 152 Not only is it signed to me but this is where he wiped his mouth.
- 153 So we are currently in the presence of Leonard Nimoy's DNA.
- 154 Um, doesn't Adam count as Leonard Nimoy's DNA?
- 155 No offense, but this is pure 100156 Because of your mother, you're only
- 50157 Which isn't bad, but anything that you wipe your mouth on gets thrown away.
- 158 Okay, enough about the napkin.
- 159 What else you hiding in there?
- 160 Wouldn't you like to know?
- 161 I would.
- 162 All right then.
- 163 See? Just my valuables. My passport, uh, my will...
- 164 You have a will?
- 165 Yeah- my 1/18 scale Wil Wheaton action figure.
- 166 I also have the other kind of will, and in it I will my Wil back to Wil.
- 167 Will Wil want it?
- 168 Wil won't.
- 169 What's that ring box?
- 170 Oh. That is an engagement ring that I was going to give my girlfriend Amy.
- 171 What?!
- 172 You bought her a ring?
- 173 No, no, no. This has been in my family for generations. Except for a short time when Comanches cut off my great-great-great-grandmother's finger and stole it.

- 174 Sheldon, that's awful.
- 175 No. The Texas Rangers tracked them down to their village and slaughtered every last one of them, so... it was a happy ending.
- 176 Well, for my nine-fingered Nana.
- 177 Okay, back to the ring.
- 178 Does Amy even know about this?
- 179 No. She broke up with me before I could broach the subject.
- 180 Oh, man, I'm sorry—that must have been devastating for you.
- 181 No, not at all.
- 182 No, I'm fine.
- 183 You know, Amy had reservations about our relationship, so all worked out for the best.
- 184 Penny: I know. It just...
- 185 Sheldon: I said I'm fine!
- 186 We've gotten a little off-topic.
- 187 Allow me to make things entertaining again in this little Spockumentary.
- 188 That was Leonard's joke.
- 189 As a child, when faced with a dilemma, my mother encouraged me to ask, "What would Jesus do?"
- 190 The answer to that was always, "Love thy neighbor."
- 191 But my neighbor had a dead tooth, so... that wasn't going to happen.
- 192 But... that's why I changed it to, "What would Spock do?"
- 193 Did you find that helpful?
- 194 Yes. Oh, for example, three years ago when I discovered Penny was eating all my Pop-Tarts, instead of getting angry or vindictive, you know, I got a floor safe.
- 195 I knew I could smell 'em.
- 196 What about from when you were a kid?
- 197 Oh, certainly.
- 198 Uh, when I was eight years old, Billy Sparks cornered me in the playground.
- 199 I asked myself, "What would Spock do?"
- 200 Then I grabbed Billy on his shoulder and performed my first Vulcan nerve pinch.
- 201 Did it work?
- 202 Oh, no- he broke my collarbone.
- 203 I can still hear it click.
- 204 That must have been very upsetting for you.
- 205 Oh, not at all.
- 206 As I said, the entire point of emulating Spock was to rise above human emotion, which I've spent a lifetime mastering.
- 207 Oh... (sputters)
- 208 Excuse me?
- 209 I'm sorry. I'm not here.
- 210 No. You went (sputters). What does (sputters) mean?
- 211 Um...

- 212 You did go (sputters).
- 213 All right, fine.
- 214 Well, Sheldon, I'm no expert, but aren't you completely missing the point of Spock?
- 215 I mean, he liked to act like he had no emotions, but he was still half human.
- 216 Just like you.
- 217 I'm just saying, you pretend you don't, but you have feelings just like everybody else.
- 218 Not true. No, look at me.
- 219 I had an engagement ring to give a girl, and instead, she rejected me.
- 220 And am I emotional about that? No.
- 221 No, I am sitting here on a couch, talking about my favorite TV character like nothing happened.
- 222 'Cause I am just like him: all logical, all the time.
- 223 Sweetie, you're yelling.
- 224 Because when I speak at a regular volume, no one seems to believe me that I've put this Amy nonsense behind me!
- 225 (door slams)
- 226 This documentary is gonna be awesome.
- 227 You gonna be okay down here?
- 228 Yeah. Yeah, I feel like an archaeologist.
- 229 Indiana Jones and the Single-Family Dwelling.
- 230 Hey. Look!
- 231 Found a seashell.
- 232 Yeah, that's a rat skull.
- 233 (shrieks)
- 234 Relax.
- 235 There's enough droppings down here without you making more.
- 236 Sorry. Do you have a... sense of where we are?
- 237 Yeah. I think that's the den.
- 238 Oh. Okay, so we must be under the dining room.
- 239 Uh-huh. Yep.
- 240 You know, I know you don't want to hear this, but it wouldn't take that much work to turn that den into a nursery.
- 241 Why wouldn't I want to hear it?
- 242 'Cause Bernie said you didn't want kids.
- 243 That's not true at all.
- 244 I-I wish she'd get pregnant, believe me.
- 245 I'm climbing on top of her every chance I get.
- 246 (sighs)
- 247 In a... loving and respectful manner.
- 248 Oh.
- 249 (clears throat softly)
- 250 The point is, I really do want kids.
- 251 Huh.

- 252 I don't know why she's lying to you.
- 253 Wolowitz: She's the one who doesn't want kids.
- 254 In fact, every time I bring up the subject...
- 255 Earthquake!
- 256 (Bernadette's feet stomping rapidly)
- 257 Oh, my God, we're gonna die!
- 258 Earthquake!
- 259 Aftershock...!
- 260 I can't believe Sheldon was gonna ask Amy to marry him.
- 261 I know.
- 262 I also can't believe he watched what we did on that couch and still sits on it.
- 263 Yeah.
- 264 Hello.
- 265 Hey, buddy. How you doing?
- 266 Better.
- 267 Did Wil and Adam leave?
- 268 Yeah.
- 269 Do you think they're going to put my outburst in the documentary?
- 270 Definitely.
- 271 Oh, yeah.
- 272 Well, there's no point in dwelling on it.
- 273 As the Vulcans say, "Kup-fun-tor ha'kiv na'ish Du stau."
- 274 Do you know what that means?
- 275 No.
- 276 Are you telling the truth?
- 277 Nirsh.
- 278 Well, this is ridiculous. Being upset about Amy all the time isn't accomplishing anything.
- 279 If I want to resolve this situation, then I need to take action.
- 280 What are you gonna do?
- 281 I'm going to find her and ask her to marry me.
- 282 And if she says yes, we can put this behind us and resume our relationship.
- 283 And if she says no... well, then she can just ponfo miran.
- 284 He didn't meant that.
- 285 So I should probably explain why I kind of fibbed.
- 286 That would be nice.
- 287 I told my dad that you were the one who didn't want kids because I didn't want to disappoint him.
- 288 But you were okay throwing me under the bus?
- 289 Turns out yeah, I didn't think twice about it.
- 290 Bernie, you don't need to worry about me.
- 291 But I don't want to see you miss out.
- 292 Raising children was the most rewarding experience of my life.
- 293 Oh, please.
- 294 Mom did everything.

- 295 All you did was come home from work, sit on the couch and drink beer.
- 296 How is that raising kids?
- 297 This is really a conversation for husband and wife.
- 298 (awkward chuckle) I'm gonna go clean up, hit the road.
- 299 If your mother asks, I was here till 10:00.
- 300 It's interesting your father didn't help around the house and Howard doesn't help, either, so... in a way, Howard's not only like your father, but he's also like the child that you're afraid to have.
- 301 Why are you still here?
- 302 Fine, I'll leave.
- 303 But it sounds like somebody needs a fresh diaper.
- 304 All right... I admit... that I don't help out a lot.
- 305 (chuckles softly) And I need to work on that.
- 306 But... (sighs) if we had a kid, it would be different.
- 307 Why?
- 308 Because... when my dad left, I promised myself that... if I ever had a chance to be a father...
- 309 I'd always be there.
- 310 Okay, I'll think about it.
- 311 And this an actual "I'll think about it," not like the "can we get a motor-cycle with a sidecar I'll think about it"?
- 312 It's an actual "I'll think about it."
- 313 I really believe I'd be a great dad.
- 314 I know you would.
- 315 Speaking of... making babies, what do you say I wash up and poke around your crawlspace?
- 316 (no voice)
- 317 Dr. Dana feels he isn't that dangerous.
- 318 What makes you right and a trained psychiatrist wrong?
- 319 Because she feels. I don't.
- 320 All I know is logic.
- 321 (scoffs): Yeah, right.
- 322 (turns off TV)
- 323 You can just shut your feelings off.
- 324 There goes television, lying to us again.
- 325 We let you raise our children, and this is the thanks we get.
- 326 Leonard, how could I have been so foolish to try and follow in the footsteps of a made-up alien race with no emotions?
- 327 (sighs): Well... now instead of idolizing fictional characters, you can focus on the real people who are already in your life.
- 328 Those are very wise words.
- 329 Thank you.
- 330 They'd just be so much more comforting if they came out of a television.

## 1.8 Episode 08: The Mystery Date Observation

- 1 Previously on The Big Bang Theory...
- 2 There's no point in dwelling on it. As the Vulcans say, "Kup-fun-tor ha'kiv na'ish Du stau."
- 3 Do you know what that means?
- 4 No.
- 5 Are you telling the truth?
- 6 Nersh.
- 7 This is ridiculous—being upset about Amy all the time isn't accomplishing anything.
- 8 If I want to resolve this situation, then I need to take action.
- 9 What are you gonna do?
- 10 I'm going to find her and ask her to marry me.
- 11 And if she says yes, we can put this behind us and resume our relationship.
- 12 And if she says no... well, then she can just ponfo miran.
- 13 He didn't mean that.
- 14 I think it's so adorable you're making Sheldon breakfast.
- 15 Well, he's having a rough time.
- 16 Amy broke his heart, the DVR cut off the last minute of Doctor Who... that crow followed him home.
- 17 Aren't you worried you're making French toast on oatmeal day?
- 18 Ah, well, what's this?
- 19 A pot of oatmeal?
- 20 Or, thanks to you, what I will now call "gloatmeal."
- 21 Oh, I don't want credit for that.
- 22 Oh, Dr. and Mrs. Hofstadter, lovely to see you this fine morning.
- 23 You're in a good mood.
- 24 Yeah, I am indeed.
- 25 I have decided, instead of wallowing in sadness about Amy, it is time that I find myself a new female companion.
- 26 Oh. Good for you.
- 27 What brought this on?
- 28 I realized something—when Amy was in my life, I was hyper-focused on my work and ignored her.
- 29 And you don't want to make the same mistake with the next woman.
- 30 No, I need a new woman in my life to ignore so I can hyper-focus on my work again.
- 31 Hey, I made French toast sticks.
- 32 On oatmeal day?
- 33 Ah, I also made oatmeal.
- 34 Ooh, that's a lot of carbohydrates for a man on the prowl.
- 35 You know what? You eat it; you're married—it doesn't matter what you look like.
- 36 Don't take advice from a man who threw his shoe at a crow.
- 37 Our whole universe was in a hot, dense state

- 38 Then nearly 14 billion years ago expansion started... Wait!
- 39 The Earth began to cool
- 40 The autotrophs began to drool, Neanderthals developed tools
- 41 We built the Wall
- 42 We built the pyramids
- 43 Math, Science, History, unraveling the mystery
- 44 That all started with a big bang
- 45 Bang!
- 46 The Big Bang Theory 9x08
- 47 The Mystery Date Observation
- 48 Thank you for coming by, gentlemen.
- 49 No problem.
- 50 So what's up?
- 51 Well, it was the two of you who found Amy Farrah Fowler for me.
- 52 Now that I'm looking for my next girlfriend, it seemed only logical that I employ your services once again.
- 53 Y-You sure you're up for that?
- 54 She did hurt you.
- 55 Oh, no, it's all right.
- 56 I think of my time with Amy as a stick of Fruit Stripe gum: sweet and enjoyable at first, but ultimately a flavorless lump of sadness.
- 57 You're not wrong about Fruit Stripe.
- 58 I-I was always a Hubba Bubba man. Mm.
- 59 Hubba Bubba over Dubble Bubble?
- 60 You're crazy.
- 61 Hey, the jaw wants what it wants.
- 62 Gentlemen!
- 63 Oh, right, uh, girlfriend. Okay.
- 64 But what are you looking for?
- 65 All I'm looking for is an educated, intelligent woman who shares my interests while retaining her own unique point of view.
- 66 She should be kind, patient, and most important, unable to imagine life without me by 10:00 tonight.
- 67 Isn't that a little unreasonable?
- 68 All right, fine, she doesn't need her own point of view.
- 69 Now, chop-chop.
- 70 Come on, Amy, show us the dress.
- 71 Amy: Okay.
- 72 But I'm really stepping outside of my comfort zone here.
- 73 Uh...
- 74 I don't think any of your comfort zones are showing.
- 75 Yeah, it's your third date—maybe you could go more sexy.
- 76 Well, some people think the sexiest organ is the brain.
- 77 No one ever bought me drinks at a bar because my brain just popped out of my shirt.
- 78 Do you have any heels higher than this?

- 79 He's pretty tall.
- 80 Ooh.
- 81 Ooh, tall!
- 82 Finally some details about this mystery man.
- 83 Yeah, come on, tell us more.
- 84 Well, I told you his name and that he's tall.
- 85 What more do you need?
- 86 Did you kiss him yet?
- 87 Just a little peck on the lips.
- 88 (both squeal)
- 89 Well, we're your best friends— give us one more detail and we promise we'll leave you alone.
- 90 Fine. Um... he's British.
- 91 (both squeal)
- 92 (chuckling): All right, that is a juicy one.
- 93 All right, where is Tall British Dave taking you?
- 94 Tea and basketball?
- 95 To that new Italian place on Walnut.
- 96 Oh, nice.
- 97 I'm gonna go look for other shoes.
- 98 Good luck.
- 99 I threw out all my tall ones when I married Leonard.
- 100 Hey, you want to swing by that place tonight and get a look at this guy?
- 101 We don't even know what time they're gonna be there.
- 102 I'll just call the restaurant, pretend I'm Amy and check the reservation.
- 103 Damn, you're sneaky.
- 104 Yeah, but I'm little, so it's adorable.
- 105 I think the quickest way to find you a new girlfriend is just to get you on every dating Web site out there.
- 106 Are you sure?
- 107 I've heard that on those sites, often when you think you're corresponding with someone, it's actually a computer program pretending to be a real person.
- 108 And you're afraid it'll do a better job than you?
- 109 Excuse me.
- 110 No one does a better job pretending to be a person than I do.
- 111 Siri comes close, but I know more jokes.
- 112 If you don't want to use dating Web sites, what do you suggest?
- 113 Off the top of my head?
- 114 Uh, prospective women weed themselves out in a battle of wits until only one champion remains, she shows up at my door flush with the thrill of victory, and then sits quietly by my side while I watch Daredevil.
- 115 You seriously think women would fight for you?
- 116 People compete for jobs and trophies—why not me?
- 117 He's right- he knows a lot of jokes.
- 118 Yeah- no, but it is basic human nature.
- 119 If we present him as a prize, maybe they would.

- 120 Well, he's smart, he's a respected scientist...
- 121 And I have the soulful eyes of a cow.
- 122 I don't know if I'd sav you...
- 123 Oh.
- 124 I have an idea.
- 125 What if we put a post on Craigslist that says: "World-class Caltech physicist seeking girlfriend.
- 126 "If interested, solve the following puzzles for a chance to meet him."
- 127 Oh, we'll make the puzzles extremely challenging to eliminate unworthy candidates.
- 128 Oh, we could set it up like a scavenger hunt where the last puzzle gives the winner Sheldon's contact information.
- 129 Well, this is actually an interesting social experiment.
- 130 I'm a little jealous of the people who get to do it.
- 131 Me, too.
- 132 And we've seen the prize.
- 133 I don't understand why we're leaving so early for the movie.
- 134 Oh, I forgot to tell you—we're gonna meet up with Bernadette to spy on Amy and her date.
- 135 What?
- 136 I don't want to do that.
- 137 What, and you think I want to see a documentary about aluminum can recycling?
- 138 This is the movie Big Soda doesn't want you to see.
- 139 No, it's the movie your wife doesn't want you to see.
- 140 So you're actually okay with invading your friend's privacy?
- 141 You're not curious who she's out with?
- 142 Not really.
- 143 But you're curious about aluminum cans.
- 144 You're a weird little guy.
- 145 That's it. The Sheldon Cooper Girlfriend Challenge is officially alive. (chuckles)
- 146 Congratulations.
- 147 This is exciting.
- 148 Right now, somewhere, a woman is dividing the atomic weight of the best noble gas by the number of colors in the oldest national flag still in use...
- 149  $\mathrm{W}-$  then using that number as the average speed to calculate the travel time from Mordor to the Shire.
- 150 And... taking her first step towards a lifetime of laughter, love and, best of all, rules.
- 151 I-I hope we didn't make the puzzles too hard.
- 152 Well... if she can solve them, it'll prove she's intelligent, tenacious and... so socially awkward she has nothing better to do on a Saturday night.
- 153 Golly, she sounds too good to be true.
- 154 This is fun.
- 155 I haven't dated much since my divorce.

- 156 Well, I'm having a good time, too.
- 157 If you don't mind me asking, why did you and your wife split up?
- 158 Oh, you know how it is—we wanted different things.
- 159 I wanted children, and she wanted a pastry chef named Jean-Philippe.
- 160 Oh, I'm... I'm so sorry.
- 161 No, it's-it's fine.
- 162 It's why I left England.
- 163 It reminded me too much of her.
- 164 Cold, gloomy and easily accessed by a Frenchman through a tunnel.
- 165 Hey. So, where are they?
- 166 Across the street, in the left window.
- 167 Penny: Oh, damn it, we should have brought binoculars.
- 168 Right here.
- 169 We just happen to have those in the car?
- 170 Kinda. Before I met Howie, I liked to keep close tabs on my boyfriends.
- 171 By stalking them?
- 172 No. Stalkers are creepy.
- 173 I'm just a harmless little girl with military-grade spy equipment.
- 174 Penny: Oh, there he is.
- 175 Bernadette: He's cute, right?
- 176 Yeah!
- 177 Can I see?
- 178 What, now you're interested?
- 179 You didn't even want to come.
- 180 I know, but you guys make being a crappy friend look fun.
- 181 Fine.
- 182 Leonard: Yeah, okay, I see him.
- 183 It looks like they're having a nice time.
- 184 I wish I could hear what they're saying.
- 185 Yeah, I should've brought my parabolic microphone.
- 186 Your what?
- 187 Nothing. Not important.
- 188 So you've never been married?
- 189 No. I mean, to be completely honest, I've...
- 190 I've only been in one long-term relationship.
- 191 Oh. What happened with that?
- 192 That's a good question.
- 193 After five years, it was just feeling like more work than it should be.
- 194 Oh, that's too bad.
- 195 Was he a neurobiologist like you?
- 196 No. He's a theoretical physicist at Caltech.
- 197 I love teaching math, but that would be my dream job.
- 198 What's his focus?
- 199 Um... used to be string theory, now it's dark matter.
- 200 But... let's not discuss Sheldon.
- 201 Let's get back to you.

- 202 Wait, you're not talking about Dr. Sheldon Cooper?
- 203 I'm trying not to.
- 204 Do you know him?
- 205 No, but I've followed his work for years.
- 206 He's a rock star.
- 207 You've got to tell me about him.
- 208 What's he like?
- 209 (door opens)
- 210 He really seems into her.
- 211 I took a video.
- 212 I forgot how much fun this is.
- 213 Okay, we saw them.
- 214 Can we go catch the movie?
- 215 (Penny sighs)
- 216 Why'd you bring him?
- 217 I had to; we're married now.
- 218 Ugh, I hear that.
- 219 I'm sorry, just one more question about Sheldon.
- 220 Sure, why not?
- 221 It's more of a four-part question, really.
- 222 When he wrote his paper on supersingular prime numbers, how long did it take?
- 223 Um... about an hour and half.
- 224 Wow!
- 225 I mean, wow!
- 226 And you were there to see it?
- 227 Yes. Yep. We were on a date.
- 228 Very much like this one.
- 229 Mm.
- 230 I doubt it was like this one.
- 231 I mean, he's a genius, and I wasn't even smart enough to figure out why my wife always smelled of croissants.
- 232 What was the rest of your question?
- 233 Do you think you could introduce me to him?
- 234 Really?
- 235 You-you want me to introduce you to my ex-boyfriend?
- 236 You're right, it's-it's weird.
- 237 No, wait. Do it.
- 238 No. I changed my mind.
- 239 I'd be too nervous.
- 240 Oh! I don't know what to do.
- 241 Are we gonna be much longer?
- 242 I really have to go to the bathroom.
- 243 Right here.
- 244 37 minutes left until the deadline.
- 245 Someone will show.

- 246 And no matter what happens, this is still a fun experiment.
- 247 Not as fun as the night we blew up grapes in the microwave.
- 248 We really have led full lives.
- 249 Someone will show.
- 250 Maybe you don't want someone exactly like you.
- 251 You know what they say: opposites attract.
- 252 Well, by that logic, I should be with someone short, dull and needy, eh?
- 253 Not to cast as persions, but I can't shake a stick around here without hitting that.
- 254 You know, I once drove 500 miles to hear him speak at Stanford.
- 255 I have a DVD of that lecture.
- 256 Really? Wasn't it great?
- 257 Not as a Valentine's present, no.
- 258 Well, the next time you watch it, I'm the bloke who asked the question that he said was stupid and obvious.
- 259 It was the nicest thing he said to anyone there.
- 260 That's, um, terrific.
- 261 Listen, I'm-I'm kind of tired.
- 262 Can we call it a night?
- 263 Oh, gosh. Sorry, I've just spent the whole night talking about your exboyfriend.
- 264 I'm such an idiot.
- 265 No, you're not.
- 266 Well, maybe not an idiot, but certainly not as smart as... someone we won't mention.
- 267 Thank you.
- 268 But you said you might introduce me to him-
- 269 I'm free on Thursday.
- 270 Hey, hey, they're leaving.
- 271 What? Here, give me, give me.
- 272 Oh, my God. Oh, my God, they're coming right towards us.
- 273 We got to get out of here.
- 274 Okay. Well, wait, what about Leonard?
- 275 He and his tiny bladder can take the bus!
- 276 (starts engine)
- 277 (both gasp)
- 278 Oh, no!
- 279 (turns off engine)
- 280 She just hit my car!
- 281 What are you guys doing here?
- 282 Oh! Hey, Ames!
- 283 What are you doing here?
- 284 Leonard: What happened?
- 285 OMG!
- 286 Aren't you Leonard Hofstadter?
- 287 Yeah.

- 288 I saw you speak at Stanford with Sheldon Cooper!
- 289 Amy, can you believe it?
- 290 It's Dr. Leonard Hofstadter!
- 291 No. Pinch me.
- 292 It's an absolute pleasure to meet you.
- 293 Can I shake your hand?
- 294 I don't know if you want to do that -- I was just...
- 295 Okay, never mind.
- 296 Amy, I'm never washing this hand again.
- 297 You really should.
- 298 60 seconds.
- 299 This is not looking good.
- 300 One minute is a long time.
- 301 I've been telling women that for 20 years.
- 302 45.
- 303 45 seconds is plenty of time for a woman to walk through that door and fall in love with me.
- 304 You know, probably half that if I break out the old cow eyes.
- 305 30 seconds.
- 306 Uh-oh.
- 307 What if it's Jennifer Lawrence?
- 308 What?
- 309 Oh, that last Hunger Games was not my cup of tea.
- 310 You thought she was great in X-Men.
- 311 Oh, fine- I won't shut my heart to the love of Jennifer Lawrence.
- 312 Guys, 15 seconds.
- 313 Maybe she's waiting to show up at the last possible moment.
- 314 (groans)
- 315 Sounds like a drama queen.
- 316 Oh, no.
- 317 It is Jennifer Lawrence.
- 318 Five... four... three... two... one.
- 319 That's too bad.
- 320 Maybe we did make the test too difficult.
- 321 I don't think it matters.
- 322 Look, Sheldon, I believe when the time is right for you to meet someone,
- it'll just happen.
- 323 Okay? Not because of a test or a Web site, (knocking) but because...
- 324 We are the dreamers of dreams!
- 325 It's an actual girl, and she's really pretty.
- 326 Answer it!
- 327 All right.
- 328 Can I help you?
- 329 Um, a-are you the physicist that placed the ad on Craigslist?
- 330 Yes.
- 331 Hi. I'm Vanessa Bennett.

- 332 Sorry it took a while for me to get here.
- 333 I was stuck in this boring symposium on atomic spectroscopy when I came across your ad, and it saved my night.
- 334 The puzzles were... were really fun.
- 335 I've never had to translate Klingon into ancient Sanskrit before.
- 336 Well... careful, hmm, it's addictive.
- 337 Chija" e'vlKub je.
- 338 Or, as they say in Sanskrit...
- 339 Ahm asman matey-bee ta-teyva.
- 340 And just like that, you're a Klingon-Sanskrit junkie.
- 341 Anyway, I-I just... I knew I had to meet the person responsible for such a brilliant idea.
- 342 And I don't need to tell you, there aren't a lot of men who love physics, archaic languages and flags of the world.
- 343 I am a bit of a unicorn.
- 344 Well, you certainly seem like a special lady, uh, but as you know, you missed the deadline, so thanks for playing.
- 345 How could you send her away?!
- 346 She was late.
- 347 And... she found atomic spectroscopy boring.
- 348 Well, I wouldn't coitus her with your genitals.
- 349 Uh, thanks for driving me home.
- 350 No problem.
- 351 I'm really sorry about your car.
- 352 Oh, it's all right.
- 353 If you're free next weekend, I'd love to take you out again.
- 354 Um... listen, you're a really nice guy, but I just... I don't think this is working out.
- 355 Oh. Okay.
- 356 (sighs): I'm...
- 357 I'm really sorry.
- 358 No, it's... at least the same woman that rejected Sheldon Cooper rejected me.
- 359 There you go. (awkward chuckle)
- 360 If I ever do meet him, we'll have that in common.
- 361 Sure. Heh.
- 362 And... he's kissed you and I've kissed you, so if you think about it...
- 363 Okay, get out.

## 1.9 Episode 09: The Platonic Permutation

- 1 Have you guys seen this feature that lets you talk to Siri without pressing any buttons?
- 2 No. How does it work?
- 3 You just say, uh, "Hey, Siri, what time is it?"
- 4 Siri: The time is 6:37 p.m.

- 5 Yeah.
- 6 So now anyone can control your phone?
- 7 Hey, Siri, show me pictures of naked grandma butts.
- 8 Nice try.
- 9 It only recognizes my voice.
- 10 Oh. Cool.
- 11 (imitates Koothrappali): Hey, Siri, show me pictures of naked grandma butts.
- 12 I don't sound like that.
- 13 Siri: Here are some images of naked grandma butts.
- 14 Hey. Good news, everybody.
- 15 Now that I'm no longer with Amy, I have an extra ticket to the annual Thanksgiving lunch buffet at the aquarium cafeteria. Who wants it?
- 16 Well, you realize you won't be going alone-
- 17 I'll be there the whole time.
- 18 Providing fish and pilgrim facts.
- 19 Can you people hear me?
- 20 Well, we're having everyone over.
- 21 Yeah, Leonard and I are gonna be cooking all day. Otherwise we'd love to.
- 22 But we can't.
- 23 Yeah, poor us.
- 24 Mm-hmm.
- 25 And Raj and I are volunteering at the soup kitchen, feeding food to the homeless.
- 26 Well, Howard, what about you?
- 27 Oh...
- 28 I can't. I'm going to the soup kitchen, too.
- 29 You said that sounded like the worst thing ever.
- 30 If you can't support me when I'm lying, why are we married?
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- 42 Original Air Date on November 17
- 43 (phone line ringing)
- 44 Hi, Sheldon. What's?
- 45 Well, I'm calling because Thanksgiving is coming up, and I wanted to offer you the aquarium tickets.
- 46 No one can go with you?

- 47 No. They'd rather spend the holiday with each other than find out of this is the year I finally touch a starfish.
- 48 Anyway, I wouldn't want the tickets to go to waste, so take whomever you'd like.
- 49 Oh.
- 50 Okay. Thank you.
- 51 And feel free to tell your guest that the Myanmar catfish is also known as the pilgrim fish.
- 52 In case the turkey's dry and you need something juicy.
- 53 Sheldon... I can tell you want to go, so if you'd be comfortable with it, maybe we could go as friends.
- 54 You don't think that will be awkward?
- 55 Well... it is Thanksgiving in an aquarium cafeteria, so I'm gonna go out on a limb here and say yes.
- 56 But if you mean between us...
- 57 I think it'll be fine.
- 58 Very well, then.
- 59 I'll see you on Thanksgiving morning.
- 60 See you then. Oh, and forget what I said about the Myanmar catfish.
- 61 My list of marine-themed pilgrim facts is pretty short.
- 62 Did you know they served shellfish and eel at the very first Thanksgiving?
- 63 And there goes my list.
- 64 So, how does this work?
- 65 The soup kitchen manager assigns the jobs, and the shifts are six hours.
- 66 Six hours?
- 67 Oh, God, I don't want to complain for that long.
- 68 Do you ever do anything for anyone else?
- 69 I happen to be a giving and generous lover.
- 70 Are you and I close enough for me to say that's creepy?
- 71 We are, and I believe the word you're looking for is... yech!
- 72 Uh, can I help you?
- 73 Hi. We'd like to volunteer.
- 74 Oh, I appreciate you guys coming down, but we already have enough people.
- 75 Any other day, please, come back.
- 76 Oh. Okay.
- 77 Wipe that smug smile off your face.
- 78 Maybe I'm happy that so many people turned up to help the less fortunate.
- 79 (chuckles)
- 80 Are you and I close enough for me to say...
- 81 That he's an ass?
- 82 He beat you to it.
- 83 I was wrong. A large group had to cancel.
- 84 Oh, great. We'd love to help.
- 85 Wipe that smug smile off your face.
- 86 (laughing): I can't!

- 87 Look at us!
- 88 Our first Thanksgiving as husband and wife.
- 89 I know.
- 90 I feel so grown up.
- 91 Sweetie, you are grown up.
- 92 Really?
- 93 How many grown-ups do you know who have Mr. Spock oven mitts?
- 94 Hey, the recipes are on my iPad.
- 95 Will you pull 'em up?
- 96 Yep.
- 97 What's the code?
- 98 My birthday.
- 99 It's not working.
- 100 It's just the four digits- month and day.
- 101 Nope.
- 102 Let me see.
- 103 Yeah, there.
- 104 What number were you putting in?
- 105 Uh...
- 106 You don't know my birthday, do you?
- 107 Yes, I do.
- 108 Well, what is it?
- 109 May.
- 110 May what?
- 111 I'm not gonna say your password out loud.
- 112 That is not secure.
- 113 You don't know your own husband's birthday.
- 114 Well... you don't know everything about me.
- 115 Your birthday is December 2, you grew up on Perkins Street, the last four digits of your social are 7-6-2-1, and the odds of me letting you forget this are zero.
- 116 Oh, look at us.
- 117 Our last Thanksgiving as husband and wife.
- 118 Hello.
- 119 Hi.
- 120 Ready for the aquarium?
- 121 I am. You know, and in an effort to reduce awkwardness as we learn how to function as friends, I printed out a list of safe topics for polite conversation.
- 122 If that makes you more comfortable.
- 123 If there were a list of things that make me more comfortable, lists would be on the top of that list.
- 124 Okay, now... Oh.
- 125 "Since last we spoke, have you acquired any pets?"
- 126 No. You?
- 127 No.
- 128 Um, "Since last we spoke, have you planned or gone on any vacations?"

- 129 I might go visit my aunt next week.
- 130 Mm. Your aunt in Modesto?
- 131 No, the one in Bakersfield.
- 132 Bakersfield. I see.
- 133 Where has this list been all my life?
- 134 We're gonna have you washing dishes.
- 135 Uh, aprons and rubber gloves are here—just... scrape, wash and stack.
- 136 If you need me, I'll be around.
- 137 So we don't even get to be up front where the action is?
- 138 What difference does it make?
- 139 I don't know. I was hoping some poor kid would come up to me and say, (high-pitched British accent): Please, sir, I want some more.
- 140 You're in a soup kitchen, not a production of Oliver!
- 141 It's not like I'm expecting them to sing.
- 142 ...and then the next day was 73 degrees, and the day after that was 72, and then it was 72 again... uh, then it was 74, and that brings us to today, at-
- 143 I'd wear shorts if I had a pair—78.
- 144 Are we done discussing the weather?
- 145 I don't know if I'd call it "discussing."
- 146 You kind of sat back and let me do all the work.
- 147 Let's see what's next on the list.
- 148 Oh, here.
- 149 Uh, "Do you whittle, and if so, what kind of knife do you..."
- 150 Sheldon.
- 151 We've known each other a long time.
- 152 We are perfectly capable of having a conversation without relying on a list off the Internet.
- 153 All right.
- 154 Well, what should we talk about?
- 155 I don't know. Just ask me whatever comes to mind.
- 156 Very well.
- 157 I know you've been seeing other men.
- 158 Have you had coitus with any of them?
- 159 Man, I walked right into that one.
- 160 Next we need a teaspoon of pepper, which, I believe, was also the name of your childhood dog.
- 161 Fine. You think you know so much.
- 162 Who's my favorite Spice Girl?
- 163 Baby.
- 164 Who's my favorite member of NSYNC?
- 165 Justin.
- 166 Who's my favorite Backstreet Boy?
- 167 (scoffs): Nice try. NSYNC forever.
- 168 Damn it!
- 169 (grunts) Face it, you can't stump me—I am the king of husbands.
- 170 I know that you don't like the lingerie that I got you on Valentine's Day.

- 171 I know you hate the word "moist." I know...
- 172 Hang on.
- 173 Wait, wait. Why don't I like the lingerie you got me?
- 174 Because it's orange and you think it makes you look like a slutty carrot.
- 175 Interesting. I never told you that.
- 176 Sure you did.
- 177 No. I never told anyone that. But I did write it in my journal.
- 178 (high-pitched): What?
- 179 (high-pitched): I didn't know you had a journal.
- 180 I also know your voice gets higher when you're lying.
- 181 (deeply): No, it doesn't.
- 182 You know, this reminds me of high school.
- 183 You worked in a restaurant?
- 184 No, I was in India—it was humid and smelled funny.
- 185 All right, I think I'm getting into a groove here.
- 186 This isn't so bad.
- 187 Only five hours and 40 minutes to go.
- 188 We've only been doing this 20 minutes?!
- 189 You know, I read that washing dishes can be an excellent form of meditation.
- 190 The key is that while washing the dishes one should only be... washing the dishes.
- 191 Just because you have that accent doesn't mean what you say isn't stupid.
- 192 No, seriously.
- 193 It's about being present in the moment, focusing on the feeling of the warm water, the smell of the detergent, the sound of the dishes squeaking, and following your own breath.
- 194 It's about... it's about simply being.
- 195 Ah. (chuckles)
- 196 Okay..I'll try t.
- 197 (all inhale deeply)
- 198 (all exhale)
- 199 I need three people out front.
- 200 I'll do it! Me! Right here!
- 201 No fair! I was meditating!
- 202 Come on, don't be mad.
- 203 It was a long time ago, and it was an accident.
- 204 How can reading my journal be an accident?
- 205 I didn't even know what it was.
- 206 I saw it on your nightstand. I picked it up.
- 207 Well, when you realized what it was, why didn't you stop?
- 208 You know me, I'm a big ol' bookworm.
- 209 All right. Let's just finish cooking.
- 210 Well... Hey. O-Okay. Let me make this up to you.
- 211 Sometimes I keep an online journal.
- 212 I want you to read something that I write.

- 213 Okay, really, I'm fine. Okay.
- 214 Well, then I'll read it to you.
- 215 It's from the day we first met.
- 216 (clears throat)
- 217 "Beauty, thy name is Penny." Oh, God.
- 218 Stop.
- 219 I don't want you to read something you think'll just butter me up.
- 220 I want to hear the most recent thing you wrote.
- 221 Fine.
- 222 Mmm...
- 223 "Penny's beauty, like our love, grows more with each passing day."
- 224 Does it really say that?
- 225 (high-pitched): Why would I lie?
- 226 "OMG. OMG.
- 227 "We're so close to the new Star Wars.
- 228 "I can't take it.
- 229 Gah."
- 230 "Gah"?
- 231 Well, you didn't read it right.
- 232 The new Star Wars is coming. Gah!
- 233 I'm sensing things have gotten awkward.
- 234 No. It's okay.
- 235 If we're friends, we should be able to talk about anything.
- 236 All right.
- 237 So, you had some questions about me seeing other people.
- 238 Just a few.
- 239 Go ahead.
- 240 How many dates have you been on?
- 241 Who were they with? Where'd you go?
- 242 Where did you meet them? Did you sleep with them?
- 243 And how much longer to the aquarium?
- 244 I'm getting kind of hungry.
- 245 Let's see.
- 246 I have been on six dates with three different people.
- 247 It was either for coffee or dinner.
- 248 One I met at a bookstore and two I met online.
- 249 I haven't slept with anyone.
- 250 The a quarium is  $40\ \mathrm{minutes}$  away.
- 251 And there's a baggie of Cheerios for you in the glove compartment.
- 252 Uh, regular or honey nut?
- 253 I mixed them.
- 254 You mixed them. No wonder gentleman callers are pounding down your door
- 255 Do you have any questions for me?
- 256 Just one.
- 257 Are you doing okay?

- 258 I am.
- 259 Good.
- 260 I-I want you to be happy.
- 261 I believe you.
- 262 I'd believe you more if you threw a few Apple Jacks in here.
- 263 Here you go.
- 264 Thanks.
- 265 You got to be kidding me.
- 266 Sorry?
- 267 Y-You're Elon Musk.
- 268 I am.
- 269 Wh-What are you doing here?
- 270 I'm washing dishes.
- 271 Well, I was on the turkey line, but I got demoted for being too generous with the gravy.
- 272 (chuckles)
- 273 Oh, man. I... (chuckles)
- 274 What an honor to meet you.
- 275 I'm-I'm such a fan of Tesla and SpaceX.
- 276 All your companies.
- 277 Howard Wolowitz, Caltech.
- 278 Nice to meet you, Howard.
- 279 Feels great to come down here and help the less fortunate, huh?
- 280 Oh, yeah.
- 281 Nothing better than helping people.
- 282 Which is something I realized when I was viewing Earth from the deck of the International Space Station, where I spent two months as a payload specialist, a job I was qualified for because I'm an MIT-trained engineer.
- 283 And I thought I ladled the gravy on thick.
- 284 Sorry. It's just... you're you, you know?
- 285 And I really want you to adopt me.
- 286 Well, you're here on Thanksgiving, so you're probably a good person.
- 287 Oh. I made my wife come down, too.
- 288 You think you might ever get back out to space?
- 289 Is that a job offer? 'Cause I really want to go to Mars.
- 290 Assuming I can bring my wife.
- 291 She hardly takes up any room.
- 292 She's basically a carry-on.
- 293 Well, we're not quite there yet, but we're always looking for engineers.
- 294 So let me give you my e-mail. We can stay in touch.
- 295 Thank you.
- 296 Oh, look.
- 297 Someone hardly touched their pumpkin pie.
- 298 Want to share it with me?
- 299 A-a partially eaten piece of pumpkin pie from a homeless shelter?
- 300 With Elon Musk, you bet I do!

- 301 (both chuckling)
- 302 You know, for a Thanksgiving buffet in an aquarium cafeteria, that was really bad.
- 303 You're just upset 'cause they ran out of Pilgrim hats.
- 304 They gave one to that baby. He wasn't even awake.
- 305 Well, it wouldn't be a holiday without you being mad at a baby.
- 306 Oh.
- 307 Would you care to play an ocean-themed game I invented?
- 308 Sure. What is it?
- 309 It's called Food, Friend, Fight.
- 310 One of us chooses three aquatic creatures, and the other one must decide which he would eat, befriend, or battle.
- 311 So it's like Kiss, Marry, Kill.
- 312 What is that?
- 313 It's a game where you're given three people and you choose which one you'd kiss, marry, or kill.
- 314 Well, my game is better, 'cause instead of marrying someone, you get to eat them.
- 315 Let's just play.
- 316 I'll start you off easy.
- 317 Electric eel, pufferfish, shrimp.
- 318 Hmm. Well, I wouldn't fight the eel, because I know it can generate enough current to kill a horse.
- 319 So I'd eat the eel, fight the shrimp, and befriend the pufferfish, because it would be nice to have company on those days I feel bloated.
- 320 Very well done.
- 321 Thank you.
- 322 Okay, your turn.
- 323 Hmm. Seal, hagfish...
- 324 SpongeBob SquarePants.
- 325 Well, I'd befriend SpongeBob but he's not real, so I can't do that, can I?
- 326 But you can pal around with a hagfish?
- 327 Hey, let's not pull at that thread.
- 328 Okay. I'll fight SpongeBob, because he's so friendly we'll just end up tickling each other.
- 329 Um, I'll befriend the seal, because he's trainable, which is the problem I'm having with my current friends.
- 330 Which means I'll have to eat the hagfish.
- 331 Isn't that gross? I mean, a hagfish can produce enough mucus to fill a bucket in a minute.
- 332 I know. It makes its own gravy- it'll slide right down.
- 333 I miss this.
- 334 How can you miss a game you've never played before, silly?
- 335 I guess sometimes I'm silly.
- 336 Hey. Where'd you go? I can't tell if the turkey's done!
- 337 Be right there!

- 338 Hi, lover.
- 339 What are you doing?
- 340 I'm sorry about the journal. I want to make it up to you.
- 341 So I'm gonna let you post a shame photo of me on Facebook.
- 342 I am not putting that on the Internet!
- 343 I don't want people to see this.
- 344 I don't want to see it!
- 345 Don't want people to see what, huh?
- 346 A little bit of this?
- 347 Oh...
- 348 Huh?
- 349 Some of this?
- 350 And, since it's Thanksgiving, an extra helping of this?
- 351 Happy Thanks... Yikes.
- 352 I'm glad you had a nice time with Amy.
- 353 Me, too. It's comforting to know that she and I are able to function as friends.
- 354 Well, I've never been friends with any of my exes.
- 355 Oh, I'm sure you and Leonard will be able to pull it off.
- 356 (phone rings)
- 357 Oh. It's my friend Amy.
- 358 Hello.
- 359 Hi, Sheldon.
- 360 I'm just driving home from my mother's.
- 361 Did you have a nice time?
- 362 I did. Um... listen, I really enjoyed spending this morning with you.
- 363 Well, I can't take all the credit.
- 364 It was pretty funny when that one anchovy started going the wrong way. (chuckles)
- 365 (chuckles) It was.
- 366 Uh, listen, I-I was thinking that, um, may be I'm ready to be your girlfriend again.
- 367 Oh.
- 368 I thought we were just friends.
- 369 We are.
- 370 But I was hoping, maybe...
- 371 Amy, I excel at many things, but getting over you wasn't one of them.
- 372 I think I need to just be your friend.
- 373 Okav.
- 374 I understand.
- 375 (shuddering breath)
- 376 Good.
- 377 Oh, I watched a video of the hagfish producing mucus, so I'm gonna change my answer and eat SpongeBob.
- 378 Okay. Sure.

## 1.10 Episode 10: The Earworm Reverberation

- 1 Sheldon Cooper's descent into madness... day two.
- 2 It's 2:25 a.m., and I feel the urge to urinate.
- 3 My normal urination time is 7:10 a.m., but here I am, in the middle of the night, struggling to keep my mind sharp and my pajamas dry.
- 4 It's only a matter of time before my tenuous grasp on reality fades.
- 5 I suppose I should pee while I still know what a toilet is.
- 6 (hums tune)
- 7 (repeats tune)
- 8 (repeats tune)
- 9 Since when do you hum songs?
- 10 What are you talking about?
- 11 You were just humming.
- 12 Are you sure?
- 13 Sometimes when my brain really gets moving, it makes noise.
- 14 How does your brain feel about calculating the surface tension of the domain walls?
- 15 Let's see.
- 16 (begins tune)
- 17 Hey! I was humming.
- 18 One point for Hufflepuff.
- 19 (repeats tune)
- 20 What song is that?
- 21 Well... Hum it again.
- 22 (repeats tune)
- 23 Is that the SpongeBob song?
- 24 (to same tune): Who lives in a pineapple Nope.
- 25 Whatever. Can we just get back to this?
- 26 I feel like I know what song that is, but I can't put my finger on it.
- 27 My country, 'tis of thee
- 28 No.
- 29 It's just an earworm. It'll come to you.
- 30 Okav.
- 31 R-E-S-P-E-C-T
- 32 No.
- 33 Is this what we're doing the rest of the night?
- 34 I'm surprised you have to ask...
- 35 Our whole universe was in a hot, dense state
- 36 Then nearly 14 billion years ago expansion started... Wait!
- 37 The Earth began to cool
- 38 The autotrophs began to drool, Neanderthals developed tools
- 39 We built the Wall
- 40 We built the pyramids
- 41 Math, Science, History, unraveling the mystery
- 42 That all started with a big bang

- 43 Bang!
- 44 The Big Bang Theory  $9\mathrm{x}10$
- 45 The Earworm Reverberation
- 46 Original Air Date on December 1
- 47 Hello, yes, I was hoping you could help me.
- 48 What song is this?
- 49 La, la, la, la, la, la, la.
- 50 You don't know?
- 51 Well, how dare you call yourselves a Rock and Roll Hall of Fame?
- 52 My goodness. Do you sing along to the greatest hits of Elvis Presley with that mouth?
- 53 Well, they were no help at all. Which is crazy, since rock and roll is all about good customer service.
- 54 Yeah. So you have a song stuck in your head.
- 55 It happens to everybody.
- 56 Well, I'm not everybody. I have an eidetic memory.
- 57 I should be able to remember what song this is, but I can't.
- 58 Something's wrong with me.
- 59 I told you if we were patient, he'd figure it out for himself.
- 60 Oh... I was always afraid this day would come.
- 61 This might be the first step of my descent into madness, where I gradually test the limits of public nudity.
- 62 Public nudity?
- 63 Eh, that just means going barefoot.
- 64 (sighs)
- 65 (phone line ringing)
- 66 Hello?
- 67 Hi, Dave.
- 68 Uh, it's Amy.
- 69 Oh. How are you?
- 70 I'm fine. How are you?
- 71 Terrific. And pleasantly surprised to hear from you, given how I acted on our last date.
- 72 Yeah, well, we both made mistakes, you know.
- 73 I took the last breadstick, you gushed over my ex-boyfriend like he was Leonard Nimoy and you were my ex-boyfriend.
- 74 So, to what do I owe the pleasure?
- 75 Well, I was wondering if you'd like to get dinner again sometime.
- 76 Yes, please.
- 77 Great. Let me just check my schedule, he said, trying to seem like a man with things on his schedule.
- 78 How 'bout Saturday?
- 79 Uh, hmm...
- 80 Let me see. Uh, Friday, farmers' market with Jay Z.
- 81 Sunday, piano shopping with Elton John.
- 82 Saturday works.

- 83 Oh. Did you know, at the United Nations, there's a Department for Outer Space Affairs?
- 84 Really? Why?
- 85 They exist in case we ever make contact with an alien civilization.
- 86 Mm, boy, that's one of those jobs that's boring, boring, boring, then, "Oh, God!
- 87 Where's the memo with what we do now?!"
- 88 (phone chimes)
- 89 Oh, this is cool.
- 90 So, a few weeks ago, I set up a fan page on Facebook for our band and...
- 91 Wait a second. How could you do that without consulting me?
- 92 It's not a big deal.
- 93 It just took, like, five minutes to set up.
- 94 That's not the point.
- 95 When we created Footprints on the Moon, we agreed that every band decision would be mutual.
- 96 Now you're just trying to take over the whole thing.
- 97 You know, maybe I should go solo.
- 98 But someone joined our page.
- 99 We have an actual fan.
- 100 All right.
- 101 This thing's bigger than you and me-band's back together.
- 102 So, listen to what he wrote.
- 103 Uh, "I saw you play at the comic book store.
- 104 You guys rock."
- 105 And then there's a animated smiley face raising the roof like this...
- 106 We did raise the roof that night.
- 107 Yeah, we totally did.
- 108 Why do rock stars do drugs when this feels so great? (chuckles)
- 109 Why can't I recall this song?
- 110 This is taking far too long.
- 111 The urge to bang my head against the wall
- 112 Again and again and again and again as strong.
- 113 Put on some headphones.
- 114 No
- 115 They make my earlobes sweat.
- 116 Uh, sweetie, why don't you take a break and do something else for a while?
- 117 There was a project I've been thinking about starting.
- 118 Okay, great. What is it?
- 119 I'll show you.
- 120 Dear Crazy Future Sheldon, you were driven mad by an earworm.
- 121 Your mind, once your most trusted asset, is now a sack of parrots and monkeys.
- 122 So... I'm going to tell you everything you need to know.
- 123 Uh, first, music is dangerous.
- 124 The movie Footloose tried to warn us, but we wouldn't listen.

- 125 Oh, wait.
- 126 Everybody cut footloo...
- 127 Nope.
- 128 I'll pay 1,000towatchyoucut footloose.
- 129 This is Penny.
- 130 Sheisyour friend.
- 131-If she of fer syou food, it's safe to take it.
- 132 Youprobably paid for it, anyway.
- 133 So, you're really going out with Dave again?
- 134 Whynot?
- 135-He's actually a very nice guy.
- 136-But he spentanent iredatetalking about how much heloves Sheldon.
- 137-That's nothing Sheld on has n't done before.
- 138 Dave's justabig fan of his work.
- 139 Besides, he saidhe wouldn't bringit upagain.
- 140 Okay. Sowhere's hetakingyou?
- 141-Oh, he's coming here. I'm actually making dinner.
- 142 Oh. That's a bigstep.
- 143 Itis?
- 144 Yeah. You're inviting him into your home.
- 145 It's intimate.
- 146 It's where your under pants live.
- 147 Youknow what? Good.
- 148-It ried toget back together with Sheldon; he shot medown; Davelikes me.
- 149 May be in timate is what In eed.
- 150 Yousure?
- 151-You've never really be enwith a man.
- 152 Doyour eally want to start with one that 's six-foot-seven?
- 153 Whynot?
- 154-'Cause it's like taking your driver's testinabus.
- 155-May be we should post a comment back to our fan and thank him.
- 156 Whatshould we write?
- 150-W hat should wear the: 157-How'bout, "We might be Footprints on the Moon, but your kindwords sent us over the moon of the South S
- 158-Some dayyou're gonnama ke an amazing grandma.
- 159 What doyou want to write?
- 160-Somethingbad-ass, youknow, like...
- 161-"Thanks for diggin'our vibe. We'll keep rock in 'if you keep roll in'."
- 162-Dude, if Iwas wearing a bra, I'd throw it at your head right now.
- 163 I'llkeeprockin'.
- 164 Youdon't dothat.
- 165 Okay. I postedit.
- 166 So, whoisthisguy?
- 167-Let's see. Uh, his name is Trent Monaco.
- 168-Coolname.
- 169 Yeah.
- 170 He's 24.He's a dee jay.

- 171-Hebrewshisown beer. He's got awe somet at toos. Dude, he's got ahot girl friend, too.
- 172-Damn. Idon't know if he's our biggest fanor I'm his.
- 173 (phonechimes)
- 174 Hey, Trentjustlike dour comment.
- 175 Heissocool!
- 176-No hard feelings, but I'm throwing myhypothetical braathim.
- 177 (tune playing on keyboard in distance)
- 178 (tunerepeating, slower)
- 179 Oh, myGod, hewon'tstop.
- 180-How does he keep coming up with new ways to be annoying?
- 181-Nobody knows. That's why he's number one.
- 182 Canyouple as egotal ktohim?
- 183-Comeon. It a kecare of him all daylong. You do it for once.
- 184 Once? Who got the gumout of his hair?
- 185 What doyouwant, a medal?
- 186-It was your gum.
- 187 Fine.(groans)
- 188 Iloveyou.
- 189 Who cares?
- 190 (tunerepeating)
- 191-Sheldon: What are you do in gin my room? I...
- 192 (banging onkeys; discordant notes sounding)
- 193 Stopit! That's mine!
- 194 Why are your sostrong?!
- 195 (keyboardplays discordant notes)
- 196 Problem solved.
- 197 (groans)
- 198 (grunts)
- 199 (sighs)
- 200-(tune playing ontuba in distance)
- 201 Oh, yeah, hegotatuba.
- 202 (tunerepeats)
- 203 DearCrazyFutureSheldon...this is athermostat.
- 204-It controls the temperature of the apartment.
- 205-The ideal setting is 72 degrees.
- 206-If you find this too cold, then put on a jacket.
- 207 Astraitjacket, 'cause 72's the best and you're crazy.
- 208-Now...this... is your spot.
- 209 You'revery protective of it.
- 210-When any one else tries to sithere, you be rate them relentlessly.
- 211-It sounds mean, but somehowyou make it adorable.
- 212-People are also delighted by your love of pranks.
- 213 (quietly): For example, Leonardhas noideawhat I did to his coffee.
- 214-Itwasn't" replace it with Folger's crystals,"
- 215 I'lltelly out hat much.
- 216-Hey, can we please get back to work?

- 217-This is Leonard.
- 218-He's your best friend in the world.
- 219 Allright, just stop. This is ridiculous.
- 220-Sometimes hegets cranky, but you can trust him with your life.
- 221-Andhe does more things for youth an I can even be gint olist.
- 222 Thankyou.
- 223 Oh, no, he's drinking it.
- 224-(gunfire sounding on vide ogame)
- 225-Look at this.
- 226-Trent is rebuilding a vintage motor cycle.
- 227 Hmm. That is so cool!
- 228-Old broken things are somuch better than new things that work.
- 229 Who's Trent?
- 230 Oh, he's our fan.
- 231 Fanofwhat?
- 232 Wolowitz : Uh...
- 233 (laughs) : Didyout orget? We're in aband.
- 234-You mean because you played one time in the comic bookstore?
- 235-And at the children's hospital until they asked us to leave.
- 236-Kooth rappali: Hey, dude, Trentjust checked in at the coffee shop on Fair Oaks.
- 237 Really? Youwant to go down the reand meeth im?
- 238 Areyoustalkinghim? That's creepy.
- 239 It'snotcreepy.
- 240-Ibuilta Footprints on the Moon fan page, Trentjoine dit.
- 241-After that, all Idid was check out his profile, go back in the archive of his feed until I found his Twitter handle.
- 242-From there, it was easy to find him on Instagram, Snapch at and pretty much track his every movement.
- 243 Soify out hink that's creepy, you married the wrong guy.
- 244 Maybe I should marry Trent.
- 245 Yeah, like she could get Trent.
- 246 (laughing)
- 247-This is delicious.
- 248 Thankyou.
- 249 Been along time since I had a home cooked meal.
- 250-Whenyouwer emarried, didyour wife cook?
- 251 Notat first, no.
- 252-But when she began cheating on me with a French chef, she became quite the wizint kitchen.
- 253 So, a little silver lining.
- 254-Isuppose.
- 255-Yeah. Nothing takes the sting out of a shattered lifelike a properly-seasoned bowl of oni on soup.
- 256 Howlonghaveyou, uh, livedhere?
- 257 About five years.
- $258-I' mactually thinking of moving to a better place now that I don't need to be so close to \dots the solution of the property of the property$
- 259 Well, youknow.
- 260-Ido. The brilliant physic is that Inow knowlives in the area, not that I care.
- 261-Yeah. Anyway, he doesn't drive, so, I prettymuch had to take him everywhere.
- 262-Hadtoorgotto?

- 263 Sorry.
- 264-My fault. I brough thim up.
- 265 Yeah.
- 266 Well, let's change the subject.
- 267 Nomorementions of you know who.
- 268 (laughs) That's a cool train.
- 269 Where didyoughthat?
- 270 Bah, bah, bum bum, bah, bum, bum.
- 271 (hummingtune)
- 272 (garglingsong)
- 273 This song is never going to stop.
- 274-Have you ever dealt with somethings or elentless ly irritating?
- 275 That's attrick question, right?
- 276 Well, Ishouldn't be surprised.
- 277-The re's arichhistory of brilliant minds descending into madness.
- 278 Penny: Comeon, Sheldon.
- 279-The rear eplenty of smartpeople who don't have mental problems.
- 280 Yup, she's right.
- 281-For every Newton who had a psychological issue, there 's an Edison who was just a jerk.
- 282 That could totally be you.
- 283-Empedocles though the was a god and jumped into a volcano.
- 284-And Pythagorashadan irrational fear of beans.
- 285-Teslafell madly in love with a pige on who he claimed loved him back.
- 286-May be hejust had bread in his pocket.
- 287 The list extends outside of science.
- $288-Painters like Van Goghand Pollock, chess champion Bobby Fischer, Brian Wilson of the Beach Boy \dots Fischer and Fischer and$
- 289 (upbeat popmelody playing)
- 290 ... Knowif words could say
- 291 Butdarlin', I'll findaway...
- 292-Iremember the song!
- 293 It's called "Darlin'" by the Beach Boys!
- 294 Oh, thank goodness!
- 295 I'mnotcrazy!
- 296-Idon'thave to take a pigeon as mybride!
- 297 The regoesours hot at him living on the roof.
- 298 So, all right, there he is.
- 299 So, should we introduce our selves?
- 300-No! Lethim spotus.
- 301-Koothrappali: I wonder if he's list ening to our music right now.
- 302 Couldyouimagine?
- 303-What a cool way for us to meet.
- 304-He's playing our song and look sup, and there we are --his favorite two-piece a coustic sci-finovelty rockband.
- 305 Andhe's, all, like, "Aren'tyoutheguys from Footprints on the Moo...?"
- 306 Ooh, what is hedoing?!
- 307 Ican't watch.

- 308 I I It'sokay.
- 309 Oh, it's okay. He's done.
- 310 Why is helooking at it?!
- 311 Eh, no, he's not going to eatit, is he?
- 312-Comeon, Trent, you're better than...
- 313 (both groaning)
- 314 Let's just go.
- 315 Hey, aren't youtheguys...?
- 316 Nope! Neverheard of 'em!
- 317 ... Knowif words could say
- 318 Butdarlin', I'll findaway...
- 319-I wonder why it was this particular song that was stuckin myhead.
- 320 Idon'tknow. It's pretty catchy.
- 321-Doyoueven like the Beach Boys?
- 322-They have "beach" right in the name.
- 323 What doyouthink?
- 324 Well, now that you can focus again, what do you say we get back to surface tension of domain walls?
- 325-Of course. I'm already seeing a more efficient way of taming the ultravi...
- 326-Iknow why the songwas in myhead.
- 327 Why?It's about Amy.
- 328 Okay, look, Iknow Amy's like an old lady, but she's not old enough to have a song from the '60 swritten about her. All the latest and the latest and
- 329-It's about how she made my life better.
- 330 Consider the lyrics.
- 331-"Iwas living like halfaman. Then I couldn't love, but now I can. More soult han I ever had. I love the way you so fully a subject to the love of the love of
- 332 Well, shedids of tenyour life, didn't she?
- 333 Yes!
- 334 She's like the dryer sheets of myheart!
- 335 Ihavetogo.
- 336 Aw.
- 337-AmIlike the dryer sheets of your heart?
- 338 Better. You're the lint trap of my love.
- 339 Aw.
- 340-That's an interesting tieclip.
- 341 Oh, thanks.
- 342 It's, uh, Avogadro's constant.
- 343-It's useful for calculating the number of atoms in a substance, or causing regretinany one who asks about it.
- 344 Oh, I...
- 345 Ithinkit's neat.
- 346 Oh! Sorry. Sorry.
- 347-Noone's everliked the tie clipbe for e, so I just lost all control. I...
- 348 No, it...it's okay, and we are on a date.
- 349 I'm...I'mjustalittlenervous.
- 350 Well, noneed to be nervous with me.
- 351-I'mjusta harmless giant from a for eight and.
- 352-Youknow, I'm just being silly. I...
- 353 Idon'tknowwhatI'm waiting for.

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354 - (knocking)
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- 355 Sheldon: Amy?(knocking)Amy.(knocking)Amy?
- 356 That's Sheldon.
- 357 You'rekidding!How's myhair?
- 358 Sheldon, this this isn't a good time.
- 359 Idon't care.
- 360-Amy, the rewas a song I couldn't get out of my head.
- 361-Eventually, I realized the songwas about you, and like that earworm, I can't get you out of my heart.
- 362-So, what I'm trying to say is, you'r emyhear tworm.
- 363 The metaphorical kind, not not the poolle killing kind.
- 364 W W W What?
- 365 IfImay...
- 366-Ibelieve whathe's saying, in a charming and delightful way, is that he love syou and want syou back.
- 367 Dave Gibbs, huge fan of your work.
- 368 Oh. Don't mindme.
- 369 I'm I'msorry; Ididn't realize youwere on a date.
- 370 No, it it...it's okay. Keepgoing?
- 371-Amy, if you want to be my girl friend again, I really want to be your boy friend.
- 372 Ireally want that, too.
- 373-Good. Because Il ovey ou.
- 374 Iloveyou, too.
- 375 Kissher, youbrilliant fool!
- 376-Well...
- 377-I'llletyougetbacktoyourdate.
- 378 Getbackhere!
- 379 Oh, oh, oh, darlin'
- 380-Idream about you often, mypretty darlin'
- 381 Ilove the wayyous of ten my...
- 382 Okay, then.
- 383 I'll, uh, seemysel fout.
- 384 Amy, thankyouf ordinner.
- 385 Dr. Cooper, pleasure to meet you, sir.
- 386-Uh, if perhaps sometime you have a spare moment, I'd, uh, love-love to discuss physics, or "shoot the breeze," is a spare moment, I'd, uh, love-love to discuss physics, or "shoot the breeze," is a spare moment, I'd, uh, love-love to discuss physics, or "shoot the breeze," is a spare moment, I'd, uh, love-love to discuss physics, or "shoot the breeze," is a spare moment, I'd, uh, love-love to discuss physics, or "shoot the breeze," is a spare moment, I'd, uh, love-love to discuss physics, or "shoot the breeze," is a spare moment, I'd, uh, love-love to discuss physics, or "shoot the breeze," is a spare moment, I'd, uh, love-love to discuss physics, or "shoot the breeze," is a spare moment, I'd, uh, love-love to discuss physics, or "shoot the breeze," is a spare moment, I'd, uh, love-love to discuss physics, or "shoot the breeze," is a spare moment, I'd, uh, love-love to discuss physics, or "shoot the breeze," is a spare moment, I'd, uh, love-love to discuss physics, or "shoot the breeze," is a spare moment, I'd, uh, love-love to discuss physics, or "shoot the breeze," is a spare moment, I'd, uh, love-love to discuss physics, or "shoot the breeze," is a spare moment, I'd, uh, love-love to discuss physics, or "shoot the breeze," is a spare moment, I'd, uh, love-love to discuss physics, or "shoot the breeze," is a spare moment, I'd, uh, love-love to discuss physics, or "shoot the breeze," is a spare moment, I'd, uh, love-love to discuss physics, or "shoot the breeze," is a spare moment, I'd, uh, love-love to discuss physics, or "shoot the breeze," is a spare moment, I'd, uh, love-love to discuss physics, or "shoot the breeze," is a spare moment, I'd, uh, love-love to discuss physics, or "shoot the breeze," is a spare moment, I'd, uh, love-love to discuss physics, or "shoot the breeze," is a spare moment, I'd, uh, love-love to discuss physics, or "shoot the breeze," is a spare moment, I'd, uh, love-love to discuss physics, or "shoot the breeze," is a spare moment, I'd, uh, love-love to discuss physics, or "shoo
- 387 Ah. What a lovely evening.

## 1.11 Episode 11: The Opening Night Excitation

- 1 (Star Wars fanfare playing)
- 2 -
- 3 Guys, tickets already went on sale!
- 4 What?!
- 5 They're not supposed to be available yet.
- 6 I don't know what to tell you, but they're on sale!
- 7 What? Wait. You're sure they're Star Wars tickets?
- 8 No, it's Steel Magnolias 2: Even Steelier.
- 9 The Web site's frozen. I can't get in!

- 10 Leonard: Yeah, me, too.
- 11 Wolowitz: Same here!
- 12 Guys, they're gonna sell out! What are we gonna do?!
- 13 All right, this goes against everything I stand for, but desperate times call for desperate measures.
- 14 Lord...
- 15 This is Sheldon Cooper.
- 16 You're good friends with my mom.
- 17 I know I've spent my life denying that you exist.
- 18 Got 'em! And I will continue to do so!
- 19 Our whole universe was in a hot, dense state
- 20 Then nearly 14 billion years ago expansion started... Wait!
- 21 The Earth began to cool
- 22 The autotrophs began to drool, Neanderthals developed tools
- 23 We built the Wall
- 24 We built the pyramids
- 25 Math, Science, History, unraveling the mystery
- 26 That all started with a big bang
- 27 Bang!
- 28 The Big Bang Theory 9x11
- 29 The Opening Night Excitation
- 30 I'm really happy you and Amy are back together.
- 31 Oh, thank you.
- 32 I'm also really happy, but I can't pretend it's for you.
- 33 New Star Wars in three days!
- 34 Hey, Thursday can't get here soon enough.
- 35 I'm taking off work to watch the original trilogy while I eat enough Star Wars cereal to choke a Wookiee.
- 36 Uh, sweetie, you do realize Thursday is Amy's birthday.
- 37 And you do realize I bought my ticket when Amy and I were broken up?
- 38 I hope you didn't need anything in that case, 'cause it's closed.
- 39 You guys just got back together.
- 40 You might not want to ditch her on her birthday.
- 41 I think Penny has a point. You can see it another day.
- 42 But someone might spoil the movie.
- 43 No one can spoil Amy's birthday for me.
- 44 Surprise! She's even older.
- 45 Who saw that coming?
- 46 Oh, that's nice.
- 47 Put that on her cake.
- 48 (whirring)
- 49 Oh, great. This again.
- 50 Arthur, what brings you back?
- 51 Uh, beats me. I-I just... hope this isn't a-a s\*x dream.
- 52 In the past, you've come to me when I'm struggling with a dilemma.
- 53 And-and the one time where... where you were afraid, and you needed me

- for... for a night light.
- 54 What's-what's troubling you?
- 55 Well... my friends are telling me I shouldn't abandon my girlfriend on her birthday to see the new Star Wars movie.
- 56 Well, sounds right.
- 57 Can... can I get out of this... muumuu now?
- 58 Those are the robes of the Jedi, the guardians of peace and justice in the galaxy.
- 59 And they... they-they don't wear underwear.
- 60 So, you agree with my friends that I should skip the premiere?
- 61 Uh, do... do you love this girl?
- 62 Yes.
- 63 But she knows how important Star Wars is to me.
- 64 Well, maybe you should show her how... how important she is to you.
- 65 By seeing the movie she'd want me to see?
- 66 Sheldon, you-you can see this movie whenever you want.
- 67 But you only have a limited number of days that you-you can be with this woman.
- 68 Be with her.
- 69 You're right.
- 70 Great.
- 71 Where are you going?
- 72 I don't know, but hopefully, somewhere I can wear pants.
- 73 (cell phone ringtone playing)
- 74 Sheldon, what's wrong?
- 75 I wanted to let you know I'll be spending your birthday with you.
- 76 Okay.
- 77 See, I-I had tickets to the Star Wars premiere that night, but Professor Proton came to me in a dream dressed as Obi-Wan Kenobi and convinced me I should be with you.
- 78 Obi-what?
- 79 I'll-I'll let you get back to sleep now. Good night.
- 80 Okay. Good night. Wait.
- 81 Um, Sheldon, were you actually not gonna spend my birthday with me?
- 82 It's late. Got to go. Bye.
- 83 Good for Sheldon deciding to stay with Amy on her birthday. I know.
- 84 It's still gonna be weird to see the movie without him.
- 85 Well, we could wait a couple days and see it together.
- 86 (loud laughter)
- 87 Hello.
- 88 Hey. We're going to the comic book store. You want to come?
- 89 No, I can't.
- 90 I need to make preparations for Amy's birthday.
- 91 Which leads me to the following bit of business.
- 92 This is my ticket to Star Wars.
- 93 I don't have to tell you it is worth far more than its face value of 15.50.

- 94-Itrustyou'll give it to some one worthy.
- 95-Yougotit.
- 96 Well, Pennymight want to join us.
- 97-This is mytick et to Star Wars.
- 98 (knocking)
- 99 Sheldon : Penny.
- 100 Penny?
- 101 (knocking)
- 102 (knocking)
- 103 Penny?
- $104 WhathappensifIsay, \ Comein$ "?
- 105 Well, findout.
- 106 Comein!
- 107 (knocking)
- 108 Bernadette?
- 109 (knocking)
- 110 Bernadette? Bernadette?
- 111 Comein!
- 112 Sheldon : Keepitup.
- 113-Igotnowhere else to be.
- 114-Just comein.
- 115-For future reference, if I want to watch Mean Girls,
- 116 I'llstreamitonNetflix.
- 117 We're sorry.
- 118 What doyoun eed?
- 119-Well, asyouknow, I'll becelebrating Amy's birth day withher, and I could use your assistance in helping meselements of the state of the state
- 120 Sure.
- 121-Well, so far, I'vecome up with three ideas.
- 122-The first is a chance for her top lay the harp with the L.A. Philharmonic.
- 123-Wow. You can really arrange that?
- 124 Well, Is aid a chance, you know.
- 125-When you tell the mit's your birth day at Bennigan's, they make a fuss.
- 126-Idon't see why the Philharmonic would be any different.
- 127-How about something a little more realistic?
- 128-Well, Amyenjoysknitting herowns weaters, so I was thinking of getting her an all-expense-paid trip to the Wiscons in Sheep and Wool Festival.
- 129-Sorry. Iwas waiting for the bazing a.
- 130-Holdon. It could be romantic.
- 131-Thetwoof the maway together, keeping each other warmins nowy Wisconsin.
- 132 No, no, no, no. She'd begoing alone.
- 133-Well, if youthink I'm a fraid of birds, you should see mear ound sheep.
- 134 Okay, well, what's the third option?
- 135 That I have coit us with her.
- 136 (glassshattersonfloor)
- 137-What doy out hink about giving Sheld on 's ticket to Stuart?
- 138 Idon'tknow.

- 139-Have you ever see namovie with Stuart before?
- 140-It's like going with your grandpa.
- 141-Instead of eating popcorn, he brings little pieces of chicken in Tupper ware and at hermosful lof soup.
- 142 He's not that bad.
- 143 Hey, Stuart, gotanyplansThursdaynight?
- 144-My, uh...my doctor's worried about my circulation, so I was thinking about walking around the mall.
- 145 Why?
- 146-Well...
- 147 Hey, youguys.
- 148 Oh, make suretowe arsen sible shoes.
- 149-Wil, want to go to Star Wars Thursday?
- 150 Absolutely.
- 151 Fine, takeWil.
- 152-Seeifhebring syou clamchowder.
- 153 Okay, okay, okay, okay, okay.
- 154 Let's let's...let's just recapour options.
- 155 Allright, we've gotharpthing, sheep thing...
- 156 Wildthang.
- 157 Which doy out hinkshe'd prefer?
- 158-Because I checked the Sheep and Wool Festival Website, and there's only 8,000 tickets left.
- 159 Sheldon, being physical with Amyisahuge step for you.
- 160 Yeah, are your eady for this?
- $160-1\ earl, are goare awg for this:$  161-Intimacy in any form has been challenging forme, but I'd like to show her how important she is, and it feels like the shown has been challenging forme.
- 162 Sheldon, that's so be autiful.
- 163 Thenit's settled.
- 164 Amy's birth day present will be my genitals.
- 165-Thanks for taking meout.
- 166-Well, you're spending your birth day with Sheldon.
- 167 Why not celebrate early?
- 168 Sowhere doyouwant togo?
- 169-Ih eard that new Mexican place on Green Street is good.
- 170-Sure, sure. Or we could take you to get a bikini wax.
- 171 WhywouldIqetabikiniwax formybirthday?
- 172 Uh, Idon'tknow. It was just a thought.
- 173 Ithink I'lljust stick to Mexican.
- 175 Okay, what is going on?
- 176-Oh, we just wanty out obe prepared for any surprises that might happen to morrow.
- 177 What surprises?
- 178-Oh. We don't want to spoil anything, but you should know that Sheldons aid he's ready to be physical.

174-Great. And then may be after, we can watch a dirty movie, and if any body has any questions about what happened the support of the property of the prope

- 179 Youshutyourdamnmouth!
- 180 You actually heard himsay this?
- 181-Yes. He said he want stodo something to show you how much you mean to him.
- 182 (exhales)I Ican't believe it.I...
- 183 Idon'tknowwhattosay.
- 184 Well, we're really happy for you, and we know how much he cares...

- 185 Idoknow what to say! Let's get mew axed!
- 186 (whirring)
- 187 Why isn't it ever Angie Dickinson's bedroom?
- 188 You'reback.
- 189 It it doesn't seem like it's up to me.
- 190-Isupposeyou'reherebecause...
- 191-I'vedecided to be physical with my girl friend, and I'venever done that be fore.
- 192 E Excuseme for a moment.
- 193 (lightsaberhumming)
- 194 Well, it was worth a shot.
- 195 So, canyouhelpme?
- 196-Uh, all right. Um... once-once the mangets the-the woman out of her... out of her bloomers... of the contract of the con
- 197 Oh, no.Notthat.
- 198 I Iunderstand the mechanics.
- 199-Oh, good, good.' Cause, uh, I have no idea what kids the sedays are ... calling their-their parts.
- $200-Ithinktheysay \setminus junk.$ "
- 201 What is happening to this world?
- 202 What what doyou actually need to know?
- 203-This is an important night forus, and I'm worried I might be overwhelmed and ruine very thing.
- 204 Sheldon, if ifyou're with the right person, it it'll beokay.
- 205 Thankyou, Arthur.
- 206-You are the wise stofthewise.
- 207 Well, that's-that's very nice of yout os ay, but I think I'm just an expression of ... of your unconscious mind.
- 208 Oh, sure.Yeah.
- 209 Well, you're funt olookat.
- 210 Tonight's the night!
- 211 Yeah, the wait is finally over!
- 212-Iknow. Then you'll finally stop talking about it!
- 213 Readytogo? Let's dothis.
- 214-Havefun, guys!
- 215 We will.
- 216 Ican't believe Sheldong avethisup.
- 217 Iknow.
- 218-We're gonnahave somuch more funt han him.
- 219 (singsongy) : No, they'renot.
- 220-Knowing them, they will.
- 221 (indistinct chatter)
- 222-Tminus15minutes!
- 223 Oh, didyouhear from Wil?
- 224 Yeah, he's on his way. Time for bladder check.
- 225 Check.
- 226 Check.
- 227-Check. Wait.
- 228 Screwit.I'mholdingit.
- 229 (crowdbooing)

- 230-What is every one booing at?
- 231 (booing continues)
- 232 Hey, guys.What'sup?
- 233 Um, hey, Wil.Whatyoudoin'?
- 234 IwasonStarTrek.I'mjustrootingforthehometeam.
- 235 Man: StarTrekstinks!
- 236 Yeah? Livelong and suckit!
- 237 (romantic music playing)
- 238 (knocking)
- 239 Sheldon: Birthdaygirl.
- 240-Birth day girl. Birth day girl.
- 241 Comein!
- 242 Oh!
- 243 Hi, Sheldon.
- 244-Hello. Sorry I'm late.
- 245-I also gotyou aballoon, but it floated away, and I chase dit for a while.
- 246 That's okay. Comeonin.
- 247 Thankyou.
- 248 Mm hmm.
- 249-Um, I'll...I'm gonn a goput the sein water.
- 250 Okay.
- 251 Ooh, this is different, hmm?
- 252-C and les and music.
- 253-Doyoulike it?
- 254 It'skindofspooky.
- 255 Icanchange it back.
- 256 No, no, no. It's your birth day.
- 257 Aslong as no one jump sout in a hockey mask, I'll be fine.
- 258 (panting)
- 259 So...
- 260-What'dy ou have in mind for to night?
- 261-It hought I could take you out to an ice birth day dinner.
- 262-If we pick a place east of here, we might find the balloon.
- 263 Um, that sounds nice, but...
- 264 I'mnot really hungryright now.
- 265-Ithought may be... we could do present sfirst.
- 266 Oh.
- 267 Allright.
- 268 Um...
- 269-I should probably telly ous omething about this gift.
- 270-You mean before you...
- 271 (suggestively) : give it to me?
- 272 Yes.
- 273-May Iaskyou aquestion before I...
- 274 (suggestively) : give it to you?
- 275 Of course.

- $276 Why are we saying \give it to you" like that?$
- 277-Sheldon, Iknowy our present is... for us to be in timate to night.
- 278 Isee.
- 279 Isthatall right?
- 280 I'msorry, but this is a litigious society.
- 281-I'm gonnane edverbal consent.
- 283-Youknow what, let me pull a quick contract of f the Internet.
- 284 So, if you don't like StarWars, why are you here?
- 285 Oh, I'm just having fun.
- 286-Every one takes Star Warssos eriously.
- 287 Like if the movie's bad, it's gonnar uin their lives.
- 288 Isitbad? Didyouhear something?
- 289 Oh, myGod.It'sbad.Somebodykillme.
- 290 See? That's what I mean.
- 291-When you wake up in the morning, whether this is the greatest movie ever or a total piece of crap, your life is n't garage. The property of the property
- 292 He'sright.
- 293 Yeah.
- 294-No matter what happens, we're coming back to morrow to watch it again.
- 295 Doyouthink Sheldon's actually gonnagothrough with it?
- 296 Idon'tknow.
- 297 Hesaidhe's ready.
- 298-Yeah, but he also swore this was the year he'd be able to pull the gut sout of a pumpkin.
- 299 Well, I'm gonnast ay positive.
- 300 Imean, wetalked.
- 301-Itoldhimwhat women like, and after hest opped giggling, he seemed pretty sure of himself.
- 302 Hi.
- 303 Hello.
- 304 So, um...should I get under the covers with you?
- 305 Allright.
- 306 (clearsthroat)
- 307 Hello.
- 308 Hi!
- 309 Why are you shaking? Are you cold?
- 310-I'mjust, um...really nervous.
- 311 Why?
- 312-Well...
- 313 I've been waiting for this for solong, I've just... built it up in myhead.
- 314 Idon't know what to expect.
- 315-NeitherdoI.
- 316-But...we can find out together.
- 317 Okay.
- 318 I'm really nervous.
- 319 Iknow.
- 320 We've been waiting so long for this.
- 321 Andwe've built it up in our heads so much.

- 322 Guys, it's just a movie.
- 323-That's true.
- 324 He's right. It is.
- 325 Although, we all remember Jar Jar.
- 326 Leonard, I I'm scared again.
- 327-Well, I enjoyed that more than I thought I would.
- 328 Me, too.
- 329-Ilook forward to yournext birth day when we do it again.
- 330-That works forme.
- 331-I enjoyed that more than I thought I would.
- 332-Idon't think I can walk right now.
- 333 Arthur : Uh, Sheldon?
- 334 Sheldon.
- 335 Arthur.
- 336 What are you do in ghere?
- 337 I Idon't think In eed anymore advice.
- 338-I-Iwas just curious.
- 339 How How' ditgo?
- 340 Oh.
- 341 Itwasamazing.
- 342 I Isawita few days later.
- 343 Whatamovie.
- 344 But, uh, what whatabout Amy?
- 345 Oh.Uh, uh, shelikedit fine.
- 346-But she doesn't have the history with the franchise Ido.
- 347 Okay.
- 348-Good...goodtalk.

## 1.12 Episode 12: The Sales Call Sublimation

- 1 Sheldon: I'm glad to see you made it safely.
- 2 How's your hotel?
- 3 It's not the best Best Western I've been to, but I'd say it's... the third best Best Western I've been to.
- 4 I know how you feel.
- 5 The Best Buy by my house is only the third best Best Buy.
- 6 They have the best buys, but having the best buys isn't the only thing that makes a Best Buy the best Buy.
- 7 What makes a best Best Buy the best Best Buy?
- 8 Mm, that's a great question.
- 9 I like when they're next to a Chipotle.
- 10 Okay, well, I should unpack.
- 11 All right.
- 12 Enjoy the neurobiology conference.
- 13 I will.
- 14 I... wish you were here.

- 15 At a neurobiology conference?
- 16 What a mean thing to say.
- 17 Okay, I'm glad you're not here?
- 18 Aw, you always know just what to say after I tell you what to say.
- 19 Good-bye, Sheldon.
- 20 Bye.
- 21 Oh! Good news, gentlemen.
- 22 Amy's at a conference this weekend, which means I'm available to be entertained, hmm.
- 23 As today's youth might put it: Who wants to get their Sheld-on?
- 24 Bernie and I are getting the house ready for the remodel.
- 25 We could always use an extra pair of hands.
- 26 That sounds awful. Raj?
- 27 Uh, I've got time booked in the telescope room all weekend scanning for rogue planets.
- 28 You're more than welcome to join me.
- 29 That's the one to beat.
- 30 Leonard?
- 31 Oh, if anything, I'm trying to get my Sheld-off.
- 32 Well, then it looks like we have a winner. Congratulations.
- 33 Well, I should warn you, it's just looking at data for hours and hours on a computer screen.
- 34 Uh, stop selling it, kid. You won.
- 35 Our whole universe was in a hot, dense state
- 36 Then nearly 14 billion years ago expansion started... Wait!
- 37 The Earth began to cool
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- 43 Bang!
- 44 The Big Bang Theory 9x12
- 45 The Sales Call Sublimation
- 46 Original Air Date on January 7
- 47 Hey.
- 48 Hey.
- 49 Hello.
- 50 Hi.
- 51 How was your day?
- 52 Oh, not good.
- 53 Still couldn't get in to see Dr. Gallo.
- 54 A doctor?
- 55 Well, I hope you're not contagious.
- 56 I've got a weekend in the telescope room I've been excited about for almost three minutes.

- 57 I'm not sick.
- 58 It's for work.
- 59 There's this doctor who refuses to see any sales reps.
- 60 I've been trying to get in for months.
- 61 Well, did you try wearing the shirt I said was inappropriate for work?
- 62 Well, the doctor's a woman, but... yes, because you never know.
- 63 What kind of doctor is she?
- 64 Um, a psychiatrist. Why?
- 65 Well, what if you make an appointment as a patient?
- 66 Then you'll get to talk to her.
- 67 Yeah, they already know I'm a pharmaceutical sales rep.
- 68 Oh. What if Leonard made an appointment and tried to lay some groundwork for you?
- 69 That's interesting.
- 70 I'm not gonna make a fake appointment with a psychiatrist.
- 71 What would I say is wrong with me?
- 72 Low self-esteem. Social anxiety.
- 73 Sexual insecurity.
- 74 None of that is true.
- 75 Uh, denial. See, sweetie, the list goes on and on.
- 76 That's just crazy.
- 77 How would my going in there even help you?
- 78 I don't know. You could talk to her, and maybe if it comes up, you could ask if she's heard about the drug.
- 79 What if I get caught?
- 80 Fear of failure! Lack of confidence!
- 81 Kind of a wuss!
- 82 Fine, I'll do it.
- 83 But not because of them, because I love you.
- 84 Thank you.
- 85 Pushover. Spineless.
- 86 Still hasn't bought milk even though I told him two days ago!
- 87 That was incredible.
- 88 It was.
- 89 I just wish Stuart wasn't around so we didn't have to be so quiet.
- 90 I know.
- 91 It's not like he returns the favor when he watches his Japanese p0rn cartoons.
- 92 (knocking)
- 93 Stuart: You guys got a minute, or are you still cuddling?
- 94 (mouthing)
- 95 What is it, Stuart?
- 96 Stuart: Can I come in?
- 97 Hang on.
- 98 (quietly): Should I send him away?
- 99 No, it's okay.

- 100 Stuart: Thanks, Bernie.
- 101 What's up?
- 102 Uh, well, I know the remodel is coming up, so I thought I'd make it easy on you guys and find my own place.
- 103 Wow. (chuckles)
- 104 I thought I was done getting lucky tonight.
- 105 So, when are you thinking of moving?
- 106 Uh, actually, I already found an apartment, so in a couple of days.
- 107 Oh. Okay.
- 108 Sorry to see you go?
- 109 Okay, well, thank you guys for everything.
- 110 I-I really appreciate it.
- 111 You're very welcome.
- 112 Hmm.
- 113 What?
- 114 Hmm, I just have never been in this room while you're awake.
- 115 (door closes)
- 116 What are you doing?
- 117 Uh, making sure the telescope's camera is white-field balanced.
- 118 Hmm.
- 119 What are you doing now?
- 120 Still making sure the telescope's camera is white-field balanced.
- 121 Oh, I see.
- 122 How about now?
- 123 Now I'm making sure the telescope's camera is white-field balanced and wishing you had a coloring book.
- 124 Well, I can be helpful.
- 125 Give me something to do.
- 126 You know, my father took me to work once, and in ten minutes I figured out who'd been stealing from the cash register.
- 127 It was my father.
- 128 Yeah, Dad lost his job, but Mr. Hinckley gave me a Fudgsicle.
- 129 Fine, you want something to do?
- 130 There's about six months of data on this hard drive.
- 131 Why don't you go through it and see if you can spot any patterns or anomalies.
- 132 Yep, I'm on it.
- 133 Hey, look at that!
- 134 An Indian guy outsourcing a computer job to a white fella.
- 135 Yeah, okay, whatever it takes to keep you busy for a few hours.
- 136 Found one.
- 137 No, you didn't.
- 138 There are millions of data points there.
- 139 But, look, an optical transient.
- 140 Yeah, maybe that is something.
- 141 How did you find that?

- 142 It wasn't difficult.
- 143 You know how when you see prime numbers, they appear red, but when they're twin primes, they're pink and smell like gasoline?
- 144 No.
- 145 Oh. I guess I'm a special boy.
- 146 You know, sometimes when a boy is special, he gets a Fudgsicle.
- 147 Which, by the way, tastes like the speed of light.
- 148 Thank you for seeing me on such short notice.
- 149 Ah, it's my pleasure.
- 150 I'm curious, are you related to Dr. Beverly Hofstadter?
- 151 Uh, she's my mother.
- 152 You know her?
- 153 No, not personally, but I have read all of her books.
- 154 Well, then you know her better than I do.
- 155 Well, I'm not so sure about that.
- 156 But I can tell you I do not agree with her theories on child rearing at all.
- 157 Really?
- 158 Any chance you find them cold, cruel and unsuitable for innocent little boys who just want to be happy?
- 159 Well, I didn't want to say it...
- 160 No, no, say it. Sing it.
- 161 Rent a plane, write it in the sky.
- 162 Sounds like you're holding on to quite a bit of anger towards her.
- 163 Oh, no, I-I've worked through a lot of that stuff; I'm better now.
- 164 Mm. Good for you.
- 165 Do you know she never let me celebrate my birthday because being born was her achievement, not mine?
- 166 That's heartbreaking.
- 167 Right? To this day, I send her a card every year with a little money in it.
- 168 You know, once we get the house back to ourselves, we can be romantic in any room we want.
- 169 Great. I can finally show you where the laundry room is.
- 170 Boy, who would've thought when you asked me to move in and help take care of your mom, I'd still be here two years later?
- 171 Nobody thought that.
- 172 No one.
- 173 Well, that's it.
- 174 I guess so.
- 175 This is weird. (chuckles)
- 176 Yeah. A grown man moving into his own apartment.
- 177 Crazy times. See ya!
- 178 Ignore him.
- 179 He's just using humor to express how... happy he is.
- 180 It's okay. I know he loves me.
- 181 Sure he does.
- 182 Well, let us know when you're all settled in.

- 183 I will. And I really can't thank you guys enough.
- 184 (engine starts)
- 185 Our pleasure.
- 186 Bye.
- 187 Bye.
- 188 Wolowitz: He's gone!
- 189 Let's start in the garage!
- 190 Okay, so once we receive the next image and compare it to the ones we've already collected, we'll know what it is that we found.
- 191 Ooh, perhaps it's a Heliosheath scintillation.
- 192 It could be a trans-Neptunian object.
- 193 Maybe it's a new planet.
- 194 Unlikely, but it could be a dwarf planet.
- 195 Well, as long as it has a healthy gravity and all its moons, I'll be happy.
- 196 Okay, the final image is coming in.
- 197 And the object we discovered is...
- 198 Come on, Daddy needs a livable planet he can rule with an iron fist.
- 199 A medium-sized asteroid.
- 200 That's it?
- 201 How common.
- 202 That's the chicken fingers on the menu of space.
- 203 I kind of like chicken fingers.
- 204 Yeah, me, too.
- 205 I was stuck for a metaphor.
- 206 Come on, a medium-sized asteroid is still an interesting discovery.
- 207 I suppose it could end up on a collision course with Earth and destroy life as we know it.
- 208 You dream different than me.
- 209 It is kind of cute.
- 210 Yeah, it is.
- 211 And you know we get to name it.
- 212 (gasps)
- 213 We better choose a name no one can make fun of.
- 214 Sir Frederick William Herschel didn't do Uranus any favors.
- 215 Hi.
- 216 Hey, how'd it go?
- 217 Oh, great.
- 218 Dr. Gallo is terrific.
- 219 You know, I-I've always been insecure that no one cares about what I have to say, but she made me see...
- 220 Yeah, no one cares.
- 221 Did you help me out or not?
- 222 Okay, n-now, what I'm hearing is that you feel that I sometimes take too long to express myself, and you wish I'd be more succinct.
- 223 You're only hearing that because I cannot roll my eyes any louder.
- 224 All right, well, after we talked about my issues with my mother- nothing

- too deep, just how she ruined my life-
- 225 I told her about you and your drug; she said she'd be happy to meet you.
- 226 Really?
- 227 Oh, you're the best husband ever!
- 228 So you'll go to the Doctor Who convention with me next week?
- 229 I guess.
- 230 Oh, I actually did hear your eyes roll that time.
- 231 (vacuum whirring)
- 232 Boy, when was the last time Stuart cleaned this place?
- 233 No kidding.
- 234 Oh, okay, I'm about to suck something up.
- 235 What do you think this object sounds like?
- 236 Howie, I don't want to play Lego, Toenail or Pill anymore.
- 237 So, what do you think we should do with this room?
- 238 Well, I was thinking a home theater or a gaming room—you know, like a man cave.
- 239 Why can't it be a woman cave?
- 240 As long as it has a home theater, a video game system and you're not allowed in it, you can call it whatever you want.
- 241 I'm being serious.
- 242 Well, what do you think we should do?
- 243 I don't know, maybe a home office or...
- 244 Oh.
- 245 Look.
- 246 The teddy bear Stuart won the night we took him to the fair.
- 247 (chuckles): Oh.
- 248 He was so excited.
- 249 Yeah.
- 250 You know, no matter how hard they tried, they could not guess his age.
- 251 I'll give it to him next time I see him.
- 252 Have you heard from him since he left?
- 253 No.
- 254 You'd think he would've called once he got settled in.
- 255 Hmm. Maybe he's busy.
- 256 Too busy to call?
- 257 He wasn't too busy to binge-watch Hot in Cleveland with my Hulu password
- 258 What is happening?
- 259 Are we missing him?
- 260 No, that's not what this feeling is.
- 261 Is it?
- 262 Of course not.
- 263 He drove us crazy.
- 264 Like when you were gonna make that pie and Stuart ate all the blueberries. (scoffs)
- 265 And he tried to deny it, but his teeth were all purple.

- 266 That was pretty cute. (chuckles)
- 267 Yeah.
- 268 Ew, we are missing him!
- 269 So I was thinking, maybe we can come up with a name for the asteroid by combining our names.
- 270 That's a great idea.
- 271 I've got it.
- 272 We'll call it... Cooper.
- 273 How is that both our names?
- 274 "Koo" from Koothrappali and "per" from Cooper.
- 275 Yeah, s-so it's, like, Kooper with a "K"?
- 276 Nah, you're right, that's dumb.
- 277 Hey.
- 278 Oh, Leonard, great news.
- 279 We discovered a medium-sized asteroid together.
- 280 Wow, that's amazing!
- 281 I'm in a pretty great mood today myself.
- 282 Okay. Guess we're gonna talk about you now.
- 283 Well, we are, because Dr. Gallo made me realize that I'm a worthwhile person and that my feelings matter.
- 284 I learned that for free from a cat poster, but good for you.
- 285 Okay, back to me.
- 286 I discovered an asteroid, and now I get to name it.
- 287 Wait, what happened to us?
- 288 Now, this isn't about us, this is about what's best for the asteroid.
- 289 What are you thinking of naming it?
- 290 I haven't settled on anything yet.
- 291 We haven't settled on anything yet.
- 292 All right, way to go, Cat Poster. You hang in there.
- 293 You know what'd be nice? Name it after your girlfriends. Show them how much you care.
- 294 That is a great idea.
- 295 It's perfect.
- 296 It appears romantic, but it's really just a rock in space that gets me out of Valentine's Day forever.
- 297 So, uh, what were you thinking?
- 298 Combine their names?
- 299 I like it.
- 300 Yeah, we'll take the "A-M" from Amy and, uh, the "Y" from Emily.
- 301 That's just Amy.
- 302 Exactly.
- 303 See how well we work together?
- 304 And in double-blind studies, Placinex proved extremely effective in treating all kinds of anxiety.
- 305 Actually, funny story—the boys in the lab were worried about getting FDA approval for Placinex; they started taking it, stopped worrying.

- 306 Got it.
- 307 Uh, do you have any questions?
- 308 Just one.
- 309 Mm-hmm?
- 310 When you made your husband pretend to be a patient so you could get access to me, what were you thinking there?
- 311 I just... meant a question about the drug.
- 312 Yeah, I know what you meant.
- 313 Let's put that aside for a minute and talk about why you married Leonard.
- 314 (whispers): I don't wanna.
- 315 Here is a man raised by an overbearing woman who completely dominated every aspect of his formative years.
- 316 Do you think he's perpetuating that relationship by seeking out a partner like you?
- 317 You know, I used to wear tank tops a lot.
- 318 That was a big selling point.
- 319 Hi, Sheldon. What's up?
- 320 Good news. You're an asteroid.
- 321 Uh... please tell me what to say next.
- 322 Perhaps I should explain.
- 323 While working with Koothrappali, we discovered an asteroid, and I named it after you.
- 324 (laughs): Oh.
- 325 Sheldon, thank you.
- 326 That's so romantic.
- 327 But what about Rajesh?
- 328 He was okay with you choosing the name?
- 329 Well, it took a little negotiating, but I wore him down.
- 330 Uh, we get the asteroid, and if you and I have children, they all have to be named Rajesh.
- 331 All of them?
- 332 Even the girls.
- 333 Okay, I think I know what to say now.
- 334 How can I not sound like his mother when our entire bedroom is filled with Star Wars toys?
- 335 I mean, have you ever had s\*x with a stuffed Wookiee watching you?
- 336 I went to college in the '70s; it was a hairier time.
- 337 I'm gonna say yes.
- 338 You know, if anything, he's turning me into his mother.
- 339 Before I did pharmaceutical sales, I was an actress.
- 340 You know, I was pretty good.
- 341 You know, girl-next-door type, but hot.
- 342 Doable.
- 343  ${\rm Hmm}.$
- 344 And not only am I Leonard's mother, but we have this man-child living with us named Sheldon.

- 345 Oh, Leonard talked a lot about him.
- 346 I wasn't sure if he was real.
- 347 Yeah, he's as real as the fine I get when I use too much toilet paper.
- 348 Wow, you really do have a lot on your plate.
- 349 I do.
- 350- You know, Leonard's right.
- 351 Talking to you is really helping.
- 352 Oh, I'm glad.
- 353 You know, you might also benefit from a prescription for anxiety.
- 354 Okay, if you think it'll help.
- 355 Oh, just don't make it Placinex.
- 356 I do not need sudden fits of homicidal rage.
- 357 I miss you.
- 358 I miss you as well.
- 359 I can't believe I miss Stuart.
- 360 I guess I just miss when life was simpler.
- 361 Girls (chanting): Go, Leonard! Go, Leonard! Go, Leonard!
- 362 Go, Leonard!
- 363 Remember, girls, you decide what makes you happy, not your emotionally withholding mothers.
- 364 Girls (chanting): Go, Leonard! Go, Leonard! Go, Leonard! Go, Leonard!
- 365 (whispers): I really miss this.

## 1.13 Episode 13: The Empathy Optimization

- 1 Hey, so I saw a movie trailer the other day.
- 2 How could Batman possibly fight Superman?
- 3 I mean, isn't that dumb?
- 4 Maybe he uses Kryptonite.
- 5 Well, Batman's got a lot of money.
- 6 Maybe he builds a suit that can do everything Superman can do.
- 7 No, no, no, no, no.
- 8 I've seen that movie. It's called Iron Man.
- 9 (quietly): What is happening?
- 10 I don't know.
- 11 But it's beautiful.
- 12 And now Ben Affleck is Batman?
- 13 Oh, he was great in Shakespeare in Love.
- 14 Ooh, we should watch that next girls' night.
- 15 We could do a double feature with the Leonardo DiCaprio Romeo + Juliet.
- 16 Oh, I love me some Leo.
- 17 And it's gone.
- 18 Oh, hello, everyone.
- 19 I am happy to report I'm feeling much better.
- 20 Good for you.

- 21 (muttering)
- 22 My fever is gone, my sinuses are pressure-free, and my mucus is as clear as a Yosemite waterfall.
- 23 Glad to hear it.
- 24 I'll be able to return to work tomorrow.
- 25 Yay.
- 26 Well, why isn't everyone happy?
- 27 Your little ray of sunshine is ready to beam again.
- 28 You really don't know why?
- 29 No.
- 30 But I knew that his "yay" was sarcastic.
- 31 Not bad for a guy whose last bowel movement sounded like rain on a roof.
- 32 Let me refresh your memory.
- 33 Penny, rub Vicks on my chest.
- 34 Sheldon, I cooked you breakfast.
- 35 I made your bed.
- 36 I checked your mouth for thrush.
- 37 You can rub your own chest.
- 38 Oh, sure, grope every other male on the planet, but draw the line with me.
- 39 I brought you a little care package from work.
- 40 It's our latest antiviral and the best decongestant we make.
- 41 I hope laughter is the best medicine, 'cause this care package is a joke.
- 42 Hey, she came all the way here...
- 43 (sneezes)
- 44 You're gonna want to take these with food.
- 45 Sheldon, stop being a baby and let Emily take a look at you.
- 46 Sheldon: She's a dermatologist.
- 47 I went to medical school.
- 48 Well, in that case, try removing the irritating patch of brown skin standing next to you.
- 49 All right, here you go.
- 50 Leonard, I'm dying.
- 51 You're not dying. It's just the flu.
- 52 I asked for chicken noodle.
- 53 This is chicken and stars.
- 54 It's killing me.
- 55 I never did get that chicken noodle, did I?
- 56 Our whole universe was in a hot, dense state
- 57 Then nearly 14 billion years ago expansion started... Wait!
- 58 The Earth began to cool
- 59 The autotrophs began to drool, Neanderthals developed tools
- 60 We built the Wall
- 61 We built the pyramids
- 62 Math, Science, History, unraveling the mystery
- 63 That all started with a big bang
- 64 Bang!

- 65 The Big Bang Theory
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- 67 The Empathy Optimization
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- 69 (Skype ringing)
- 70 Hi, Sheldon.
- 71 Hello.
- 72 Are you feeling any better?
- 73 Physically, yes, but I'm upset because everyone's mad at me for no good reason.
- 74 Why don't you tell me what happened, and in a gentle, loving way, I'll explain to you why you're wrong.
- 75 You know how, when you're sick, you're allowed to be cranky and say whatever you want and other people's feelings don't matter?
- 76 Ooh. Gentle and loving—this is gonna be tricky.
- 77 I had a 101 fever.
- 78 If that's not a time to verbally abuse my loved ones, when is?
- 79 Sheldon, when you're sick, you can be... unbearable.
- 80 That's why your friends have been known to work late or sneak out to the movies or stay at a neurobiology conference three days after it's ended.
- 81 You stayed in Michigan all week to avoid being around me?
- 82 No, no, not just that.
- 83 I mean...
- 84 Detroit is beautiful when it's sleeting.
- 85 You know, I'm not the only one who's unpleasant when they're sick.
- 86 When Penny got food poisoning, she threw up so loudly I could barely hear the television.
- 87 Ooh, I just heard something.
- 88 Might be hail, might be gunfire.
- 89 Either way, I'm gonna go take pictures. Bye.
- 90 Hey, Stuart.
- 91 Hey. Where's Sheldon?
- 92 Still sick?
- 93 Leonard: No, he's fine.
- 94 We just needed a little break.
- 95 Yeah, I get that.
- 96 When I brought him his comics the other day, he said, "Oh, great, Death is literally at my door."
- 97 He was being a jerk to everyone.
- 98 Don't take it personally.
- 99 Oh, I'm on so many antidepressants, I couldn't if I wanted to.
- 100 I wish we could do more stuff without Sheldon.
- 101 I wish that all the time.
- 102 Usually before I blow out birthday candles.
- 103 You know, Amy took some time off from him.
- 104 Really improved their relationship.

- 105 Huh. Okay.
- 106 As long as it doesn't end with us having coitus with him, I'm in.
- 107 We should all take a trip or something.
- 108 You know, Penny and I have been talking about taking a weekend in Vegas.
- 109 Maybe we should all go.
- 110 Bernie would love that.
- 111 Oh! Ooh! Maybe we could get one of those party buses to take us there.
- 112 That sounds really fun.
- 113 Yeah, that sounds fun.
- 114 A party-bus party don't stop.
- 115 Ooh! When I say "party," you say "bus."
- 116 No. No.
- 117 (in rhythm): No. No!
- 118 So, the guys and I were talking about renting a party bus and everyone going to Vegas.
- 119 Oh, that could be fun.
- 120 But just to be clear, you mean a party bus with booze and music, right, not, like, juice boxes and video games?
- 121 Yes.
- 122 And Howard's birthday was a drop-off party.
- 123 You didn't have to stay.
- 124 Well, I'm in.
- 125 When are we going?
- 126 This weekend.
- 127 Oh, where are we going?
- 128 Well, Vegas, but...
- 129 Ugh, Atlantic City without the taffy?
- 130 No, thank you.
- 131 That's fine, 'cause actually you're not invited.
- 132 Well, now... well, that's hurtful.
- 133 Oh, Sheldon, you don't even like it there.
- 134 I can consider a place America's urinal cake and still enjoy the occasional visit.
- 135 Not this time.
- 136 Oh, fine. Then I'll just hang out with Wolowitz.
- 137 He's coming, too.
- 138 Well, then Raj and I will...
- 139 Nope.
- 140 Very well. Stuart.
- 141 Oh, great. Do that.
- 142 Ugh. Stuart.
- 143 Hi, Sheldon. What's new?
- 144 Our friends are jerks, and I'm mad at all of them.
- 145 I said, "What's new?" but sure.
- 146 Can you believe they planned a trip to Las Vegas and didn't invite me?

- 147 Did you refuse to apologize and act like they were stupid for being mad?
- 148 You know, I liked it better when there was still a little mystery left in our relationship.
- 149 Everyone tried to take care of you, and you were nothing but mean to them.
- 150 I can't believe you're not on my side.
- 151 I was on your side when someone stole your car radio.
- 152 Who else's side could you have been on?
- 153 I don't know.
- 154 A music-loving hobo with a heart of gold?
- 155 Sheldon, I understand that you're upset because you feel left out, but I
- don't know why we're even talking about this.
- 156 Just apologize to them.
- 157 Fine, if that's what it takes to go on their dumb trip.
- 158 Maybe you could try apologizing because you actually feel bad.
- 159 It's called empathy.
- 160 It's something you could work on.
- 161 I have empathy.
- 162 Watch.
- 163 Leonard made me soup, and I was mean to him.
- 164 Great.
- 165 Now try it as if this isn't your first day as a person.
- 166 Fine.
- 167 Leonard made me soup, and I was mean to him.
- 168 Hey, I felt a little something.
- 169 Let me try again.
- 170 Leonard made me soup, and I was mean to him.
- 171 I was mean to him.
- 172 He must have felt terrible.
- 173 Oh, now I feel terrible.
- 174 Neat!
- 175 Glad I could help.
- 176 Now let me see you feel bad for lying and staying in Detroit longer than you needed to.
- 177 (flatly): I feel so, so bad.
- 178 Hey, we're both great at this.
- 179 Leonard, get ready for an apology.
- 180 And with the added twist of an M. Night Shyamalan movie, I'm going to mean it.
- 181 Ah, so like every other M. Night Shyamalan movie I've seen, you spoil it in advance.
- 182 Hey, if you didn't know Bruce Willis was dead the whole time, that's not on me.
- 183 Okay.
- 184 Here it comes.
- 185 You tried to take care of me when I was sick, and I was mean to you.

- 186 There's no excuse for that.
- 187 And I'm truly sorry.
- 188 Thank you.
- 189 I appreciate that.
- 190 I want you to know that that is sincere.
- 191 I-I do feel bad.
- 192 I'm not just saying it to be included on your trip.
- 193 Appreciate that, too.
- 194 Terrific.
- 195 Now all that's left is for you to invite me to come.
- 196 Me to ask, "Are you sure?"
- 197 You to say, "Absolutely."
- 198 And then me to bring it home with, "How could I say no to that face?"
- 199 You're still not coming.
- 200 What? But I apologized and I meant it.
- 201 I know that we don't play this game very often, but you're doing it wrong.
- 202 Sheldon, I accept your apology, but you upset a lot of people while you were sick.
- 203 I'm not in a position to just say you can come.
- 204 Well, all right.
- 205 What if I apologize to all of them?
- 206 Fine, if you apologize to everyone, they all say it's okay, then yes, you can come.
- 207 Challenge accepted!
- 208 Sounds like it's time for the Sheldon Cooper Apology Tour.
- 209 Well, I hope it's as much fun as the Sheldon Cooper Spell-Checks Local Menus Tour.
- 210 (laughing): My goodness!
- 211 Do you remember "comes with apsparagus"?
- 212 Howard and Bernadette, you tried to comfort me when I was ill, and I treated you terribly.
- 213 I'm sorry.
- 214 Wow. (chuckles)
- 215 I'm impressed.
- 216 No, no, no, wait.
- 217 I'm not done.
- 218 Allow me to underscore my sentiment with a haunting rendition of Brenda Lee's "I'm Sorry" played on the pan flute.
- 219 Apology accepted! Forgiven, forgiven!
- 220 All right, that's eight hours of practice down the drain.
- 221 And to memorialize this occasion, here are your commemorative T-shirts.
- 222 "Sheldon Cooper apologized to me""
- 223 "And he made it all better."
- 224 (camera clicks)
- 225 All you did was offer maternal care and affection, and all you received in return was rude and insensitive behavior.

- 226 Can this wait?
- 227 I'm afraid it can't.
- 228 The trip is tomorrow.
- 229 And I have more apologies to make.
- 230 Okay, fine, I accept your apology, now get out!
- 231 Wonderful. would you mind holding up this shirt while I take a quick...?
- 232 Leonard!
- 233 You brought me my comic books when I wasn't feeling well.
- 234 That-that was thoughtful.
- 235 And I was insensitive.
- 236 I'm sorry.
- 237 Thank you, Sheldon.
- 238 I appreciate that.
- 239 And I want you to know that I mean it, you know?
- 240 This isn't me just wanting to go on the trip to Las Vegas.
- 241 What trip to Las Vegas?
- 242 The one everyone's taking this weekend on the party bus.
- 243 Of course, I wasn't invited.
- 244 That would be my understanding.
- 245 On a less painful subject, what size T-shirt do you take?
- 246 Raj, you were being a good friend, and my illness was no excuse for my behavior.
- 247 I hope that you can accept my apology.
- 248 Of course I do.
- 249 And, Emily, I'm sorry for saying dermatologists aren't real doctors.
- 250 And I'm sure you're tired of hearing that.
- 251 Do you honestly think I hear that a lot?
- 252 Well, I would imagine when your job is popping zits and squirting Botox into old lady faces...
- 253 Okay!
- 254 Okay, the point is that we accept your apology.
- 255 Uh, maybe you do.
- 256 He just insulted me again.
- 257 Yeah, but he doesn't mean it.
- 258 Why are you defending him?
- 259 (stammers) I believe I can answer that.
- 260 Uh, like me, Raj is demonstrating empathy.
- 261 Now, why don't you accept my apology, receive your free T-shirt, uh-
- 262 I hope extra small is okay.
- 263 For some reason Wolowitz took a medium.
- 264 Well, I don't accept your apology.
- 265 What are you doing?
- 266 It's called standing up for myself.
- 267 You should try it some time.
- 268 Fine, how about this?
- 269 You're making me uncomfortable by prolonging this ridiculous fight, and

- I wish you'd stop.
- 270 Oh, you want me to stop?
- 271 No problem.
- 272 No, come on, please don't leave!
- 273 (Sheldon stammers)
- 274 Point of clarification— are you still going on the trip?
- 275 Because if not...
- 276 Don't worry, you're good.
- 277 I caused that fight, I feel terrible.
- 278 (stammers) Wait, I can do that better...
- 279 I caused that fight.
- 280 I feel terrible.
- 281 Yeah, wow, I don't know which one I like more.
- 282 So, was the fight really bad?
- 283 (stammers) No.
- 284 As a fight, it was excellent.
- 285 She used harsh language and slammed the door.
- 286 Although as I say this, that might not have been what you were asking.
- 287 You think they'll still go on the trip?
- 288 All I know is after the fight I went to Emily's to smooth...
- 289 They're not going on the trip.
- 290 No.
- 291 What is wrong with you?
- 292 Look at him, caring about what's wrong with me.
- 293 That is some top-shelf empathy.
- 294 Hey, well, we should start a club.
- 295 You went to Emily's to apologize.
- 296 And when you left, she was crying.
- 297 That is true.
- 298 Well, I suppose I should apologize again.
- 299 (all saying no)
- 300 Is she okay?
- 301 Yeah, I calmed her down.
- 302 But she's not going to Vegas if he's going.
- 303 Wait, that's an option?
- 304 I didn't know that was an option.
- 305 Well, that is fine, because I've decided that I won't be joining you.
- 306 I've realized that the most genuine way to demonstrate the remorse I feel is to let you have this weekend to yourselves.
- 307 That's very mature of you.
- 308 Well, I've been on a little trip myself recently.
- 309 Not to Sin City but to Sincere City.
- 310 Where instead of genital warts, the only growth you'll come back with is personal growth.
- 311 And there's your next T-shirt.
- 312 Ooh, check out the stripper pole.

- 313 You know what that means.
- 314 That Raj'll be on it before we make it to the freeway?
- 315 You know it!
- 316 (whooping)
- 317 This is so cool.
- 318 Let's have champagne!
- 319 Mm-hmm.
- 320 Well, I would like to propose a toast to a well-deserved weekend of...
- 321 Aha!
- 322 (all scream)
- 323 What are you doing?!
- 324 My plan was to jump out at the state line, but one of my nose plugs fell into the toilet.
- 325 You couldn't give us just one weekend?
- 326 I told him this was a bad idea.
- 327 What do we do-kick them off?
- 328 If we drop them off at a fire station, they have to take them; no questions asked.
- 329 Before you do, please give me one more chance to apologize to Emily.
- 330 Oh, God.
- 331 Emily, as I'm sure you know, I'm considered an odd fellow.
- 332 But what you don't know is that, while I often say the wrong thing, in my heart I mean well.
- 333 I think that you are a smart and wonderful woman, you know?
- 334 And we all think that you can do better than Koothrappali.
- 335 You know, Sheldon...
- 336 Shh, let him finish.
- 337 So, for all the times I've offended you and all the times that I'll offend you in the future, I'm sorry.
- 338 Thank you.
- 339 Good.
- 340 Then I'll be leaving now.
- 341 Oh, it's okay, Sheldon.
- 342 Come with us.
- 343 Oh, that's very kind of you.
- 344 But I'm sure you'll all have a better time without me.
- 345 Let's go, Stuart.
- 346 But I want to stay.
- 347 Stuart, now!
- 348 You know, I know he's a jerk, but I actually feel bad for him.
- 349 And now you see the problem.
- 350 Come on, you pain in the ass!
- 351 That's me!
- 352 Bye, Stuart.
- 353 Wait!
- 354 I'm a pain in the ass, too!

- 355 Are you relieved that you and Raj were able to patch things up?
- 356 At the moment?
- 357 No, not really.
- 358 Burn, baby, burn...
- 359 Shake it, baby!
- 360 (whoops)
- 361 Work that thing!

## 1.14 Episode 14: The Meemaw Materialization

- 1 Here's a fun Postal fact.
- 2 Yeah, the inner side of our mailbox is under federal jurisdiction.
- 3 So, if you broke my right thumb, that's Pasadena city police.
- 4 But if you broke my left thumb, that's the FBI.
- 5 If I'm going to jail, I'm killing him, not breaking his thumb.
- 6 No.
- 7 Oh, I got a letter from my Meemaw.
- 8 Umm. Smell this.
- 9 What is that?
- 10 Uh, roses, bengay, and Dr. Schools' foot powder.
- 11 Yeah, "Grandma", by Calvin Klein.
- 12 Yeah, the last time I got a hand written letter, it was from someone who told me I parked like a blind person.
- 13 That someone has a name.
- 14 Uh, thank you.
- 15 Oh, Meemaw got a new set of teeth.
- 16 Oh, but then she found her old ones.
- 17 Oh, so now the new ones are just gonna be her church teeth.
- 18 Fun. Like your Comic-Con Spock ears and your around the house Spock ears.
- 19 \*\*\*
- 20 Oh, my goodness, she's coming to visit!
- 21 Oh, it'll be nice to finally meet her.
- 22 Oh, you are going to love her.
- 23 She is the kindest, sweetest woman you'll ever meet.
- 24 Yeah, unless you're a gopher digging up her vegetable garden.
- 25 In that case, you can expect to have your head bashed in with a shovel.
- 26 Our whole universe was in a hot, dense state
- 27 Then nearly 14 billion years ago expansion started... Wait!
- 28 The Earth began to cool
- 29 The autotrophs began to drool, Neanderthals developed tools
- 30 We built the Wall
- 31 We built the pyramids
- 32 Math, Science, History, unraveling the mystery
- 33 That all started with a big bang
- 34 Bang!

- 35 The Big Bang Theory 9x14
- 36 The Empathy Optimization
- 37 Original Air Date on February 4, 2016
- 38 That's not her. That's not her. That's not her. That's not
- her. That's not her. That's not her. That's not her.
- 39 Really?
- 40 The old Asian man is not your Meemaw?
- 41 And that's not helpful.
- 42 You know, I-I got her an iPhone for Christmas.
- 43 I'll see where she is.
- 44 Oh, that's nice.
- 45 Most people her age don't embrace technology.
- 46 Oh, no, she doesn't even know she has it.
- 47 No, I had my sister slip it in her bag so that I can track her like a sea turtle.
- 48 Same as when we lost you at the zoo.
- 49 Uh, for the hundredth time, I smelled kettle corn and couldn't find the cart.
- 50 Still doesn't explain how you ended up on the freeway divider.
- 51 Moon Pie!
- 52 Meemaw!
- 53 I'm so happy to see you!
- 54 I'm happy to see you, too!
- 55 Oh.
- 56 You got even smaller.
- 57 I love it!
- 58 Uh, Meemaw, this is Leonard.
- 59 Leonard, this is my Meemaw.
- 60 Hi. So nice to finally meet you.
- 61 Let me take this for you, Meemaw.
- 62 Thank you.
- 63 No. Oh, no. Now you call her "Constance."
- 64 I call her "Meemaw."
- 65 You have your own Meemaw.
- 66 It's not my fault she died when you were four.
- 67 Is that nice to say to your friend?
- 68 It isn't, Meemaw.
- 69 Sorry, Leonard.
- 70 Can you please live with us forever?
- 71 Oh. (laughs)
- 72 That's ridiculous! If you had a superpower, and spent your whole life being told to suppress it, when you finally decide to embrace that power, why hide in isolation?!
- 73 I'm sorry, and how much money did your version of Frozen make?!
- 74 I'm just saying, instead of "Let it Go," she should really sing, "Look At Me Hiding in a Freezer Like a Dove Bar."
- 75 She built an ice castle, made a snow monster and gave herself a complete makeover in one day.

- 76 You know what I saw you do today?
- 77 Eat a block of cream cheese straight from the foil and lie about it to your wife!
- 78 Sorry for eavesdropping, but did you know they actually had the song "Let It Go" in place before they finalized the story?
- 79 Yeah, that's true. In fact, they liked the song so much, they retooled the whole script around it.
- 80 Which is probably why that movie sucks.
- 81 Here we are talking about Frozen, and yet, you got burned.
- 82 Miss, I'm so sorry.
- 83 How can you not like that movie?
- 84 I just think it gets more credit than it deserves.
- 85 Oh, that's what I said an hour ago.
- 86 Wow. You've been talking about Frozen for an hour?
- 87 You should've seen us after The Good Dinosaur.
- 88 It was a classic western set in the post-Jurassic period, and it changed my life.
- 89 Are you comfortable?
- 90 Very.
- 91 It's nice to rest after 800 flights of stairs.
- 92 You were so cute, huffin' and puffin'.
- 93 (knocking)
- 94 (gasps) There's Amy.
- 95 I just know you're gonna hit it off.
- 96 You both have the same fashion sense.
- 97 Hello! Come in, say hi to my Meemaw.
- 98 Hi. Nice to meet you.
- 99 Nice to meet you, too.
- 100 How was your trip?
- 101 Wonderful.
- 102 And the pilot did such a good job, I gave him a butterscotch.
- 103 (laughs) That's great.
- 104 And look at you, sitting in Sheldon's spot.
- 105 You know, I don't even get to sit there.
- 106 Yeah.
- 107 And you never will.
- 108 Ooh, hey, oh, ask her to do the tissue thing.
- 109 Do it, ask her.
- 110 Can I have a tissue?
- 111 Of course.
- 112 (laughs)
- 113 Isn't that the best?!
- 114 She's like Grandma Spider-Man.
- 115 He's been saying that since he was little.
- 116 I still don't know what it means.
- 117 Oh, well, you two sit down and get to know each other.

- 118 I'll get your room ready.
- 119 Oh, now don't you go looking through my suitcase for presents.
- 120 If I did, would I find any?
- 121 Maybe.
- 122 But you also might find my brassieres and bloomers.
- 123 That's a risk I'm willing to take!
- 124 Well, this is so nice.
- 125 He's so excited to have you here and...
- 126 Okay, now let's you and me get something straight.
- 127 He may think that I came to bake him cookies, but the real reason is to size you up.
- 128 S-S...
- 129 Si-Size me up?
- 130 Sheldon's mother may be okay with you, but I'm not so easy.
- 131 Well, I-I'm...
- 132 I'm sure you'll like me once you get to know me.
- 133 Oh, you better hope so.
- 134 A Texas Special cattle and calf car train set with authentic horn and bell!
- 135 Thank you, Meemaw!
- 136 Oh, you're welcome, Moon Pie.
- 137 Amy, why don't you look excited?
- 138 Well, you get to watch me play with this!
- 139 Oh, I see you're reading Saga.
- 140 Yeah, I hear it's pretty good.
- 141 It is, and not a lot of comics have a woman with wings breastfeeding a baby right on the cover.
- 142 I'll take your word for it.
- 143 You should.
- 144 He's really looked.
- 145 I'm Raj, by the way.
- 146 This is Howard.
- 147 Hi.
- 148 Claire.
- 149 Well, I've seen you here before, Claire.
- 150 It's my first time.
- 151 I'm looking for inspiration for this movie I'm writing.
- 152 You're a screenwriter?
- 153 Well, screenwriter, slash bartender, slash, a month away from living in my car.
- 154 Yeah, I get that.
- 155 I'm a scientist, slash party planner, slash small-dog enthusiast, slash... guy who probably should have stopped at "scientist."
- 156 You're really a scientist?
- 157 Well, astrophysicist.
- 158 That's perfect.
- 159 Do you think I could pick your brain for my movie some time?

- 160 It's animated sci-fi for kids.
- 161 Sure. I love animated movies.
- 162 He does, and he has the Lilo Stitch collector plates to prove it.
- 163 Excuse me for wanting a little magic in my life.
- 164 Here's my number.
- 165 Give me a call, we'll get together.
- 166 Yeah, great.
- 167 See ya.
- 168 Yeah, bye.
- 169 What are you doing?
- 170 You have a girlfriend.
- 171 So?
- 172 So, how do you think she'd feel about you helping a beautiful girl with her screenplay?
- 173 I wouldn't say she's beautiful.
- 174 Really? You don't think she's attractive?
- 175 I do. I just wouldn't tell my girlfriend.
- 176 Constance, are you sure I can't pour you some wine?
- 177 Oh, no wine for me.
- 178 Sheldon's bringing me my whiskey.
- 179 Here you go, Meemaw. I made it just how you like—a lot in a glass.
- 180 Thank you, Moon Pie.
- 181 Um, curious.
- 182 Why do you call Sheldon "Moon Pie?"
- 183 'Cause he's so nummy-nummy.
- 184 Both: She could just eat him up.
- 185 And I call her "Meemaw" because, well, just, well, look at her.
- 186 It's interesting that Leonard and Penny know about his nick name and you don't.
- 187 Oh, well, you know, now-now that I'm hearing it, it does sound familiar.
- 188 How could it?
- 189 I never told you, and you never bothered to ask.
- 190 Well, now I know.
- 191 Yeah.
- 192 So, Penny, I understand you have a new job.
- 193 Yes.
- 194 I'm a pharmaceutical sales rep.
- 195 Oh.
- 196 It's so wonderful that you modern gals can have it all.
- 197 A husband and a full-time career.
- 198 I have a relationship and a full-time career, too.
- 199 That doesn't bode well.
- 200 Why not? You-you just said it's okay for her to work.
- 201 Well, Leonard doesn't need as much tending to as Sheldon does.
- 202 And as Moon Pie explained, Leonard's work is more of a hobby.
- 203 That's my best friend.

- 204 Yeah.
- 205 Amy: Look, I-I get that you're protective of your grandson, but he's an adult now.
- 206 Maybe I understand what he needs better than you do.
- 207 I appreciate your honesty, dear.
- 208 Thank you. And here's some more honesty: I don't like you very much.
- 209 Well, maybe I don't like you either.
- 210 No, no, no, no, no, no, no, no. Y-You have to like each other.
- 211 Well, we have a 4:30 reservation at Applebee's.
- 212 I think I should leave.
- 213 But why?
- 214 Other than you two fighting, we're having such a good time.
- 215 The minute you left the room, your precious meemaw started giving me a really hard time.
- 216 I don't need this.
- 217 Let her go.
- 218 And under no circumstance will you give her that engagement ring.
- 219 What ring?
- 220 Maybe we should give them some privacy.
- 221 Yeah, yeah, yeah.
- 222 You go ahead. I'll catch up with you.
- 223 You have an engagement ring?
- 224 Yes.
- 225 Penny, did you know about this?
- 226 All right, let's go.
- 227 When did you get an engagement ring?
- 228 My mother gave it to me, and I had been thinking about giving it to you, but then we broke up.
- 229 Well, thank goodness for that.
- 230 Sheldon, will you please tell your grandmother to stay out of this?
- 231 Oh, I don't think I could do that.
- 232 Sheldon, tell this girl that my ring will never be on her finger.
- 233 (sighs) Y...
- 234 I'm gonna opt out of that one, too.
- 235 Who said I even want to be engaged to him?
- 236 And if I do, I-I don't need your hand-me-downs!
- 237 All right, all right!
- 238 Look, l-let's all... let's remain calm and analyze this situation.
- 239 Now, I realize that you've only known each other for less than a day, but is it possible this crankiness is because your cycles have synced?
- 240 You leave the room and let the grown-ups talk.
- 241 Now.
- 242 Don't speak to him like he's a child.
- 243 Thank you. I'm gonna go next door and play with Leonard.
- 244 Okay, so you met this girl, you exchanged numbers, and you're gonna meet up with her.

- 245 Just to help her with her screenplay.
- 246 Oh. Well, I guess that's not so bad.
- 247 You weren't there.
- 248 He was really flirting.
- 249 Hey, it's not my fault if American women project their fantasies on foreigners with the kind of magical voice that grants wishes.
- 250 I'm sure it was harmless.
- 251 People flirt. No big deal.
- 252 Really? So it's okay if I fl...
- 253 Not you. I own your ass.
- 254 The real question is, where are you with Emily?
- 255 Uh, it's hard to say.
- 256 I think we're good, but things like this make me wonder if Emily's really the right person for me.
- 257 I mean, did you guys ever have doubts about each other?
- 258 No. Never. Absolutely.
- 259 What?
- 260 Howie, you forget how much of our early dates involved you doing magic and me doing this.
- 261 Fine.
- 262 I had reservations about you, too.
- 263 No, you didn't.
- 264 No, I didn't.
- 265 Well, it doesn't matter now, 'cause I love how things worked out.
- 266 Me, too.
- 267 And I think you're even more beautiful than this rose.
- 268 Wow. The last time I saw my grandma, the most exciting thing was watching the ash of her cigarette get longer and wondering if it was gonna fall in her pudding.
- 269 Did it?
- 270 Yeah, right in there.
- 271 She ate it and everything.
- 272 (knocking)
- 273 Sheldon: Leonard and Penny.
- 274 Leonard and Penny. Leonard and Penny.
- 275 Come in!
- 276 Leonard: Hey. What happened?
- 277 Is Amy gone?
- 278 No. They asked me to leave so they could speak privately.
- 279 Uh-oh.
- 280 Yeah, I know. It was quite tense.
- 281 So here's the million dollar question: uh, who wants to pop over there and get my trains?
- 282 All right. I've made up my mind.
- 283 I'm gonna do the right thing, call this girl, and let her know that I'm in a relationship.

- 284 Okay, so far we've heard, "made up my mind, I'm dumping Emily."
- 285 "Made up my mind to date both of them by pretending to be twin brothers."
- 286 And "made up my mind, I'll ask for a threesome and if they say no, play it off as a joke."
- 287 I'm calling her.
- 288 And the threesome didn't deserve the belly laugh it got.
- 289 You're right.
- 290 (stifled laughter): It could totally happen.
- 291 Claire: Hello?
- 292 Hi. Hi. Yeah, it's Raj.
- 293 Rajesh. We met at the comic book store.
- 294 Hey, what's up? Figure out what time you're free?
- 295 Actually, that's why I'm calling.
- 296 I, um... I just...
- 297 I need to let you know that I have a girlfriend.
- 298 Okay. Good for you.
- 299 Well, no, no.
- 300 I-I didn't want to mislead you after you asked me out.
- 301 I didn't ask you out.
- 302 I just need help with my screenplay.
- 303 Wait, are you saying that we didn't have a vibe?
- 304 Why do you care if we have a vibe? You have a girlfriend.
- 305 Come on! I just told you I had a girlfriend.
- 306 The least you can do is tell me if we had a vibe.
- 307 Sure, we had a vibe.
- 308 I knew it.
- 309 Okay, we did have a vibe.
- 310 This is exciting.
- 311 What's my next move?
- 312 You still have a girlfriend.
- 313 Right. Good catch.
- 314 Anyway, so I'm sorry to waste your time.
- 315 And, uh... and good luck with your screenplay.
- 316 Hang on.
- 317 We're both adults.
- 318 We can still get together without it meaning anything.
- 319 Not me. Ever since you admitted we had a vibe, I've been planning our wedding.
- 320 Look, it's just coffee.
- 321 I'll ask you some questions about science, and if you propose, I promise to say no.
- 322 Okay. That hurts a little, but okay.
- 323 Great. I'll text you.
- 324 Bve.
- 325 All right.

- 326 So, uh, we're meeting for coffee like two adults.
- 327 Everybody's happy. Easy peasy.
- 328 Are you gonna tell Emily?
- 329 Yeah, of course.
- 330 We have no secrets.
- 331 When are you gonna tell Emily?
- 332 He lied about the cream cheese!
- 333 He ate the whole thing! I saw him!
- 334 Look, I know you think I'm not right for Sheldon, but trust me, I'm his best shot.
- 335 You have no idea how much I put up with!
- 336 I know more than you think I do.
- 337 Really? You know what it's like to have date night ruined because Google changed their font?
- 338 Young lady, if you think I don't know what it's like to live with a stubborn, egotistical man, then you're wrong.
- 339 'Cause that was my husband.
- 340 Really?
- 341 (sighs)
- 342 There were days I wanted to fill his pockets with corn and toss him in the pigpen.
- 343 Well, if you understand, then why are you giving me such a hard time?
- 344 Because when you broke up with Sheldon, it hurt him deeply, and I don't want to see that happen again.
- 345 (door opens)
- 346 Hi. Sorry.
- 347 Sheldon would like to say something to you.
- 348 Sheldon: No, I wouldn't.
- 349 Just get in here.
- 350 Hello.
- 351 Go ahead.
- 352 Meemaw, look, I'm sorry, but...
- 353 I have to defend my girlfriend to you.
- 354 Oh, Sheldon, thank you.
- 355 Oh, great, now you're gonna get emotional.
- 356 I always looked up to you and Pop-Pop.
- 357 I-I know what a challenging man he could be, but I saw you stand by him and-and make him into a better person.
- 358 I did.
- 359 Yeah, well, that is exactly what I've been doing the last five years with this little work in progress.
- 360 He never disappoints, does he?
- 361 I think what Sheldon means to say is we've both grown together.
- 362 Isn't that right?
- 363 Well...
- 364 Say yes.

- 365 Yes.
- 366 Meemaw: Fine.
- 367 If you feel so strongly, I won't stand in your way.
- 368 Thank you.
- 369 So if he wanted to give me that engagement ring, we would have your blessing?
- 370 I suppose.
- 371 I just gave you my virginity, woman.
- 372 Cool your jets.
- 373 Yeah, see, if you just change the story to the destruction of our galaxy, then a super massive black hole could work.
- 374 This is great.
- 375 Thank you so much.
- 376 I just got to figure out a way for everyone to die that isn't too scary for children.
- 377 And that's how Mommy and Daddy met.
- 378 Hey, did you ever tell Emily about us?
- 379 I will!

## 1.15 Episode 15: The Valentino Submergence

- 1 Hey, gentlemen.
- 2 Hey.
- 3 Hey.
- 4 Hello.
- 5 If any of you are looking for something to do on Valentine's Day, Amy and I'll be streaming our first-ever live episode of Fun With Flags.
- 6 You're welcome to join us as we celebrate the timeless love affair between wind and flapping fabric.
- 7 Penny and I have dinner reservations that night, but any other time, no.
- 8 Sorry, Bernie and I are breaking in the new hot tub, if you know what I mean.
- 9 Not a clue. Raj?
- 10 Spending Valentine's Day with Emily.
- 11 You don't sound very excited about it.
- 12 Oh, I am, I am.
- 13 I g... I guess I'm still wondering if Emily and I are right for each other.
- 14 Does this have to do with that girl you had coffee with?
- 15 You mean the strong, sexy angel I can't stop thinking about?
- 16 Who can say?
- 17 You've been talking about breaking up with Emily forever.
- 18 Why don't you just do it already?
- 19 Yeah, just get it over with.
- 20 Well, you say it like it's easy.
- 21 Have any one of you ever broken up with anyone?
- 22 No. Not really.

- 23 You know, uh, once I ordered an Uber by accident.
- 24 I just got in and went somewhere.
- 25 Our whole universe was in a hot, dense state
- 26 Then nearly 14 billion years ago expansion started... Wait!
- 27 The Earth began to cool
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- 33 Bang!
- 34 The Big Bang Theory 9x15
- 35 The Valentino Submergence
- 36 Original Air Date on February 1
- 37 So, you really gonna break up with her?
- 38 Yeah, I think so. Do you have any advice?
- 39 Well, I have broken up with my fair share of guys.
- 40 I mean, how many times did I break up with Leonard?
- 41 I stopped counting at four.
- 42 All right, my advice to you is do it at her place so you can leave when you need to, uh, tell the truth, make it quick and be prepared for tears.
- 43 Oh, I'm gonna do a pre-cry before I go in there.
- 44 Really dry myself out.
- 45 She meant Emily.
- 46 No, I-I really didn't.
- 47 You're seriously breaking up with me?
- 48 Yeah.
- 49 And you thought right before Valentine's Day was a good time to do it?
- 50 You're right—let's talk again in a few days.
- 51 Hey, Claire.
- 52 Hi. It's-it's Rajesh.
- 53 I was-I was wondering if you're free for Valentine's Day?
- 54 Sorry, I just got back with my boyfriend.
- 55 But I just broke up with my girlfriend.
- 56 Right before Valentine's Day?
- 57 What an ass.
- 58 Please take me back.
- 59 Our love was meant to be!
- 60 I'm gonna all alone on Valentine's Day.
- 61 Well, you were right- tears.
- 62 Okay, and we are live in 22 minutes.
- 63 I'm nervous.
- 64 I hope people will be around to watch even though it's Valentine's Day.
- 65 People who are fans of an Internet show about flags?
- 66 Trust me, they're around.
- 67 Oh, and speaking of Valentine's Day, I haven't forgotten about you tonight.

- 68 What do you mean?
- 69 Well, you've become such an integral part of my life as well as this show, I felt it only right to include your name in the title.
- 70 Oh.
- 71 That is so sweet.
- 72 So from now on, this program will be officially known as Dr. Sheldon Cooper and Dr. Amy Farrah Fowler present Dr. Sheldon' Cooper's Fun With Flags.
- 73 Catchy.
- 74 I'm gonna check the temp on the tub.
- 75 Don't make it too hot.
- 76 Sorry, but "too hot" is the only temperature I come in.
- 77 Look at that—you shaved it all.
- 78 You're welcome.
- 79 Um, question—this is my first hot tub—is it supposed to come with a rat flopping around in it?
- 80 Ew, really? Get it out.
- 81 How?
- 82 Uh... wish we had a skimmer.
- 83 Uh, you turn off the jets, I'll get a strainer from the kitchen.
- 84 I don't know how to turn off the jets.
- 85 Good, I don't know where we keep the strainer.
- 86 Excuse me.
- 87 Uh, bad news.
- 88 The maître d' said it's gonna be at least an hour.
- 89 An hour? What? That's crazy.
- 90 We have a reservation.
- 91 I know.
- 92 So what did you say?
- 93 Thanks, sorry to bother you.
- 94 But I said it like a badass.
- 95 All right, well, can't you, like, slip him some money or something?
- 96 Really? I've never done that before. Does it work?
- 97 Do people like money—is that what you're asking?
- 98 A... a lot of attitude from the woman who thought MC squared was a rapper.
- 99 Now, is that a smart thing to say on a holiday that's basically national s\*x night?
- 100 I'm sorry.
- 101 You're pretty, I'm stupid.
- 102 Hello. Uh, just checked again for Hofstadter.
- 103 Still gonna be an hour?
- 104 (clicks tongue) I'm afraid so.
- 105 Okay. Thanks.
- 106 Hey.
- 107 I think you may have dropped this?

- 108 Oh.
- 109 Did anybody lose a 20?
- 110 I did.
- 111 Oh, I took care of it.
- 112 We are live in five, four, three...
- 113 Oh, wait. Oh, shoot, I already pushed the button.
- 114 Never mind, we're live.
- 115 Uh, hello and welcome to a special live edition of Dr. Sheldon Cooper...
- and Dr. Amy Farrah Fowler present... Dr. Sheldon Cooper's Fun With Flags.
- 116 Consider tonight's episode a Valentine's Day gift for you, our viewers.
- 117 It's also my gift to you.
- 118 That was clear, right?
- 119 'Cause you're not getting anything else.
- 120 Since we're live, you'll finally be able to reach out to us with your flag thoughts and flag questions.
- 121 Allow us to answer a few quick ones that we get all the time.
- 122 Uh, uh, yes, I really am a doctor.
- 123 Uh, yes, she really is my girlfriend.
- 124 No, I just blink a lot, it's not Morse code for "rescue me."
- 125 (ringing)
- 126 Oh, uh, ok...
- 127 Uh, here's our first call.
- 128 Hello, and welcome to Fun With Flags.
- 129 What's your question?
- 130 Koothrappali: What is wrong with me?
- 131 Why am I so self-destructive?
- 132 Rajesh?
- 133 Yes.
- 134 You two look happy- how do you do it?
- 135 I-I think it starts with good communication.
- 136 Yeah, wait, that's not a flag question. Next caller.
- 137 I hope you don't think I'm just saying this because it's Valentine's Day, but...
- 138 I love you so much.
- 139 I'm gonna put this down your robe.
- 140 It's not moving, but I think it's still alive.
- 141 Well, should we put it back in there a few minutes?
- 142 No.
- 143 No, and it's not a rat, it's a rabbit.
- 144 We need to save it.
- 145 Well, how do we do that?
- 146 Um, I don't know, look it up on your phone.
- 147 I-I'm gonna wrap it in a towel.
- 148 Um... "taking care of injured rabbit."
- 149 Okav.
- 150 Make sure it's comfortable and warm.

- 151 Well, it was just in a hot tub.
- 152 I'm gonna say "check."
- 153 Anything else?
- 154 To make sure it's not dehydrated, feed him an electrolyte solution.
- 155 If it's not responding, use a warm cloth to wash its face and genitals.
- 156 Yeah.
- 157 (sighs) This is ridiculous.
- 158 You know, I'm gonna go talk to the maître d'.
- 159 What are you gonna say?
- 160 I don't know.
- 161 I'm... I'm gonna flirt with him.
- 162 I don't know if I'm comfortable with that.
- 163 I'm still sleeping with you tonight.
- 164 See if you can get a table by the window.
- 165 Hi there.
- 166 What's your name?
- 167 Glen.
- 168 Oh, boy, it is crazy in here tonight, huh, Glen?
- 169 Well, you know, Valentine's Day.
- 170 Yes. Oh, bet your girlfriend is super bummed you had to work tonight.
- 171 Anyway, look, we have been waiting a while, and I just...
- 172 With all due respect, ma'am, there's nothing I can do.
- 173 (chuckles) You don't have to call me ma'am.
- 174 Okav.
- 175 I mean, we're basically the same age.
- 176 (laughs): Okay.
- 177 How old are you?
- 178 I'm 21. How old are you?
- 179 Just shut up, Glen.
- 180 Come on, let's get out of here.
- 181 What? Why?
- 182 Because I'm young. Let's go.
- 183 Rajesh, it's perfectly normal to have doubts after breaking up with someone.
- 184 Well, you really think so?
- 185 Yeah, you know what's not normal?
- 186 Blubbering about emotions during a flag show.
- 187 Unless that emotion is excitement over New Zealand changing their flag.
- 188 Yeah, good luck, you crazy Kiwis, we're rooting for you.
- 189 Your friend is hurting.
- 190 No, Sheldon's right.
- 191 Emily did say I always talk about my feelings too much.
- 192 I-I suppose that could be a legitimate concern in a relationship.
- 193 Uh, perhaps even a-a red flag.
- 194 And speaking of red flags, check out this sexy number from the former Soviet Union.

- 195 Hubba, hubba.
- 196 (phone ringing)
- 197 Oh. Uh, we-we have another caller.
- 198 Hi. You're on Fun with Flags.
- 199 Kripke: Hello. I want to talk about how lonely I am, too.
- 200 Kripke? Is that you?
- 201 Yeah, I'm just sitting here all by myself wondering if I'll ever find someone to share my life with.
- 202 Preferably Asian, 18-24, no fatties.
- 203 Please, all comments and questions should be flag-related.
- 204 All right. Is my pole flag-related?
- 205 I don't see why not.
- 206 He's eating. That's a good sign.
- 207 You're gonna have to wait one hour until you can go swimming again.
- 208 (laughs)
- 209 He's pretty cute.
- 210 He is.
- 211 Should we... name him?
- 212 It is Valentine's Day.
- 213 How about Valentino?
- 214 Nice. A classic rabbit name.
- 215 (both laugh)
- 216 Peter Rabbit, Roger Rabbit.
- 217 Valentino Wolowitz Rabbit.
- 218 Oh, look at all that chest hair and overbite.
- 219 Of course you're a Wolowitz.
- 220 (both laugh)
- 221 Son of a bitch! He bit me!
- 222 Are you okay?
- 223- No, I'm not okay!
- 224 Wild rabbits can have rabies!
- 225 Oh. Well, why did you put your finger near its mouth?
- 226 Poor judgment, obviously.
- 227 He's so little. I'm sure it's fine.
- 228 How can it be fine?
- 229 I just got attacked by a clearly anti-Semitic wild animal.
- 230 It's not what we planned, but this isn't so bad, right?
- 231 It is freaking amazing.
- 232 Well, glad you're feeling better.
- 233 I was just hungry and cranky, and I've never been called "ma'am" before.
- 234 Is that a big deal?
- 235 Kind of. When was the first time someone called you "sir"?
- 236 Sixth grade, but I wore a sport coat and carried a briefcase, so...
- 237 Can you believe when I met you I was 22?
- 238 (laughs) I mean, it's crazy!
- 239 Where did all that time go?

- 240 Mm, you watched The Bachelor a lot.
- 241 Yeah, go ahead and make jokes, but your thirties are almost over.
- 242 No, they're not.
- 243 You're closer to 40 than you are 30.
- 244 Ha, ha! You married an old man.
- 245 Tell you what.
- 246 Let's do something fun tonight.
- 247 Won't make us any younger.
- 248 Well, maybe not, but some day we actually will be old, and we'll look back on this night and remember what a good time we had.
- 249 Okay, like what?
- 250 I know. Food fight!
- 251 I'll keep thinking.
- 252 Look, I know you both feel bad about being alone, but sometimes the best thing you can do is take a little time for yourself, especially when you just got out of a relationship.
- 253 Speaking of ending relationships, when British Honduras became Belize, they designed a new flag with a tree on it, and I would like to hang myself from that tree.
- 254 But, Amy, when you and Sheldon split up, didn't you start dating someone right away?
- 255 Well, I... I wouldn't say right away.
- 256 And actually, it was three different men.
- 257 Kripke: Three different men?!
- 258 Damn, girl, way to give the milk away?
- 259 Oh, looks like we just lost Kripke.
- 260 Actually, I'm still here.
- 261 Now?
- 262 Yup.
- 263 Now?
- 264 Yup!
- 265 Now?
- 266 Oh, looks like we just lost Kripke.
- 267 Before Emily, I was alone for so long.
- 268 I just... I don't know if I can do that again.
- 269 Well, you know, here is something that might cheer you up.
- 270 The flag of the Isle of Man is nothing but three legs sharing a weird pair of underpants, so... you think you got problems.
- 271 I have an idea.
- 272 Maybe someone in our audience would be interested in meeting Rajesh.
- 273 Ladies, I can attest that he is a kind, handsome, intelligent...
- 274 Koothrappali: Rich parents! Don't forget, rich parents!
- 275 ...spoiled astrophysicist who not only...
- 276 (phone ringing)
- 277 Oh. Well, that was quick.
- 278 Hi. You're on Fun with Flags.

- 279 Kripke: Hey, I think I got cut off.
- 280 Hello, Kripke.
- 281 I have a flag question.
- 282 How many men did you have s\*x with?
- 283 Let's see. What's young and fun?
- 284 Uh, we could go dancing.
- 285 Are you actually gonna dance?
- 286 Of course.
- 287 Yeah.
- 288 No one wants to see that.
- 289 Hey, how about skinny dipping at the beach?
- 290 No, I don't need any fish nibbling my business.
- 291 Oh, there's a screening of Moulin Rouge!
- 292 I heard the crowd sings along and stuff.
- 293 That sounds fun.
- 294 When's it start?
- 295 Midnight.
- 296 Midnight. Really?
- 297 You know what? Let's do it.
- 298 Okay, great!
- 299 Oh, wait. Uh, it's sold out.
- 300 Oh, thank God.
- 301 Yes!
- 302 It says, rabies in rabbits is highly unlikely.
- 303 Oh, terrific.
- 304 It's not terrific.
- 305 Lots of highly unlikely things happen.
- 306 You saw what's under this robe, and you still married me.
- 307 If you're really worried, we'll take him to the vet and have him tested.
- 308 Good.
- 309 Thank you. Oh, okay, there is a test!
- 310 All they have to do is... cut off his head and check his brain.
- 311 Oh, cut off his head?
- 312 That's where his little nose is.
- 313 He's not showing any symptoms.
- 314 I guess I'll just go to the emergency room to be safe.
- 315 Howie, this is just your hypochondria.
- 316 No, when I sat on the mute button and thought I'd gone deaf, that was my hypochondria.
- 317 We'll find another time to tell him I'm pregnant.
- 318 Koothrappali: I mean, this is the first time I've ever broken up with someone.
- 319 I just... I didn't realize it was gonna hurt this much.
- 320 It really can.
- 321 All right.
- 322 Nothing about this is fun.

- 323 No one wants to talk about flags, and I haven't spoken in over ten minutes, so, enjoy your new show, Internet.
- 324 Dr. Amy Farrah Flower Present... With.
- 325 Koothrappali: I'm sorry for bothering you.
- 326 I'll hang up now.
- 327 No, hold on, Rajesh.
- 328 You know, you're not being very sympathetic.
- 329 You know firsthand that breakups are hard.
- 330 Fine.
- 331 If you insist on making me a part of this, yes, I knowledge how painful they can be.
- 332 However, pain has an evolutionary purpose.
- 333 It provides information from the environment that, uh, behavior isn't good for us.
- 334 Kripke: Like when I fell in love with that stripper and bought her a Prius.
- 335 I'm just gonna push all the buttons.
- 336 Raj, now, I'm sorry you're suffering.
- 337 When Amy and I were broken up, I also suffered.
- 338 And this may sound surprising, but I'm grateful for having gone through it.
- 339 Really?
- 340 Yes.
- 341 I believe our relationship now is stronger than ever.
- 342 So do I.
- 343 When-when we were apart, I learned how important you are to me.
- 344 And I realize that when two people are in love, sometimes they...
- 345 Both: Happy Valentine's Day!
- 346 (whooping)
- 347 We are young and fun!
- 348 (horn honking)
- 349 I stand corrected.
- 350 Fun.
- 351 Congratulations on a successful live show.
- 352 And a lovely Valentine's Day.
- 353 Cleaning up is not young and fun.
- 354 It can be.
- 355 Confetti fight!
- 356 Maybe you should take a break.
- 357 I got this.
- 358 Did you know the singular of confetti is "confetto"?
- 359 Interesting, and when would you use the singular?
- 360 I'm glad you asked.
- 361 Amy, you have a confetto in your nose.
- 362 No, no, no, no. Other side. There you go.

### 1.16 Episode 16: The Positive Negative Reaction

- 1 Previously on The Big Bang Theory...
- 2 Oh, look at all that chest hair.
- 3 And overbite.
- 4 Of course you're a Wolowitz.
- 5 Son of a bitch, he bit me.
- 6 Okay, I guess I'll just go to the emergency room to be safe.
- 7 Howie, this is just your hypochondria.
- 8 When I sat on the mute button and thought I'd gone deaf, that was my hypochondria.
- 9 We'll find another time to tell him I'm pregnant.
- 10 Morning.
- 11 Morning.
- 12 "We"?
- 13 What is this?
- 14 I don't know.
- 15 Maybe it says something on the back.
- 16 "Continued on milk."
- 17 If you're tricking me into making my own breakfast, it didn't work for my mom, and it won't work for you.
- 18 "Are."
- 19 "We are..."
- 20 "See spoons for more."
- 21 What could it be?
- 22 "We are Groot"?
- 23 "We are the champions"?
- 24 "We are family"?
- 25 "I got all my sisters with me."
- 26 Are you serious?
- 27 Yeah.
- 28 Are you sure?
- 29 Pretty positive.
- 30 That's a joke, because the pregnancy test says...
- 31 Oh, my God.
- 32 This is incredible.
- 33 We're gonna be parents?
- 34 We're gonna get to board planes first.
- 35 Finally gonna get to see what's in that family bathroom at the mall.
- 36 I know, it's crazy.
- 37 It is crazy.
- 38 Oh.
- 39 I mean, how do you... prepare for something like this?
- 40 I'm not even sure I've held a baby before.
- 41 Oh, it's okay, you'll figure it out.
- 42 But how's this all gonna work?

- 43 Do we get a nanny?
- 44 I mean, can we afford a nanny?
- 45 And if we can, we can't get a pretty one, 'cause it'll wreck our marriage.
- 46 We can't get an ugly one, 'cause it'll scare the kid.
- 47 I-I don't know, Howie.
- 48 Are we in a good school district?
- 49 You're Catholic, I'm Jewish.
- 50 What religion do we raise it?
- 51 And if it's a boy, do we get him circumcised?
- 52 People say it's barbaric, but if we don't, it looks like a pig in a blanket.
- 53 Calm down, it's gonna be okay.
- 54 How's it gonna be okay?
- 55 Look at me, I'm a mess.
- 56 And that means this baby's gonna half a mess.
- 57 And that's even before we screw it up with our cut-rate moderately attractive nanny.
- 58 Our whole universe was in a hot, dense state
- 59 Then nearly 14 billion years ago expansion started... Wait!
- 60 The Earth began to cool
- 61 The autotrophs began to drool, Neanderthals developed tools
- 62 We built the Wall
- 63 We built the pyramids
- 64 Math, Science, History, unraveling the mystery
- 65 That all started with a big bang
- 66 Bang!
- 67 The Big Bang Theory 9x16
- 68 The Positive Negative Reaction
- 69 Original Air Date on February 18, 2016
- 70 Hey, Raj, I read a couple guys in your department may have discovered a new planet in our solar system?
- 71 Oh, I heard about that.
- 72 Why didn't you discover it?
- 73 Because instead of being in the telescope room, I was busy making you guys homemade jam for the holidays.
- 74 Well, you be sure to let us know when you win the Nobel Prize for boysenberry.
- 75 Hey.
- 76 Hello.
- 77 Hev. bud.
- 78 Ready to play when you are.
- 79 Yeah, um, in a minute.
- 80 I actually need to tell you guys something.
- 81 If it's "thank you" for the homemade jam you got in December, congratulations, you're the first one.
- 82 What's going on?
- 83 I'm, uh... uh, gonna be a father.

- 84 That's so amazing.
- 85 What? Congratulations.
- 86 Oh, no.
- 87 Why "oh, no"?
- 88 Because this changes everything.
- 89 What about comic book night?
- 90 Uh, what about playing games together?
- 91 What about our trips to Disneyland?
- 92 How can we do those things with a child around?
- 93 Relax, there's room for two babies in this group.
- 94 Oh, dear L...
- 95 Penny's pregnant, too?
- 96 You're the other baby.
- 97 Oh, really?
- 98 Okay, well, would a baby have to shave once every 11 days?
- 99 Would an adult refuse to eat his graham crackers because one of them was broken?
- 100 I guess we'll call this a draw.
- 101 So, I'm glad you guys are here.
- 102 There's something I want to share with you.
- 103 Howie and I are going to...
- 104 Leonard says you're pregnant.
- 105 What?
- 106 "Don't say anything.
- 107 Act surprised when she tells you."
- 108 All right, how you want to do this?
- 109 I'm pregnant.
- 110 Oh, my God, I can't believe it!
- 111 This is so exciting!
- 112 Yeah, it's all real exciting.
- 113 Are-are you not happy about this?
- 114 I am. Of-of course I am. I'm...
- 115 I'm sure it's just the hormones.
- 116 But it's weird— Howie's the one who's been talking about having kids for years, and I was all excited to tell him because I thought he'd be thrilled, but then he started to flip out and now this feels like a bad idea and I'm gonna get fat.
- 117 No, no, come on. Come on, you're not gonna get fat.
- 118 You're gonna be beautiful and glowing and-and have the cutest little baby bump ever.
- 119 Easy for you to say, skinny bitch.
- 120 Sorry, hormones.
- 121 Oh, that's all right. All I heard was "skinny."
- 122 I wouldn't make too much out of Howard not reacting the way you expected him to.
- 123 Yeah, I'm sure it was just the initial shock of it all.

- 124 You're probably right.
- 125 After we talked about it, he started to calm down.
- 126 I shouldn't be raising a kid.
- 127 I don't even eat my own vegetables.
- 128 Buddy, I-I think you might be overreacting.
- 129 And then there's this nose.
- 130 I mean, what if he looks like me?
- 131 Or worse... what if she looks like me?
- 132 Not to mention the impact on our social circle.
- 133 Everything's going to change.
- 134 Howard won't be able to come over as much.
- 135 Well, he could bring the baby here.
- 136 Oh, but then we'd have to baby-proof the apartment.
- 137 You know, my sister has one of those toilet locks in her bathroom.
- 138 I have two doctorates, I still had to go in the sink.
- 139 Oh, my God, and do you have any idea how expensive having a kid is?
- 140 I read that in Los Angeles, raising a child through college can cost over a million dollars.
- 141 A million dollars?
- 142 God, it's like my nuts just kicked me in the nuts.
- 143 That's it- I got to start earning more money right now.
- 144 I know- you could ask Bernadette for a raise in your allowance.
- 145 This isn't a joke.
- 146 I wasn't joking.
- 147 It'll be fine.
- 148 People have kids every day.
- 149 You'll figure this out.
- 150 Yeah, come on, this is great news and you know it.
- 151 Oh... You're right, it is, I'm just... a little overwhelmed right now.
- 152 Hey, you know what we should do?
- 153 All get vasectomies so this doesn't happen to us?
- 154 Go out and celebrate.
- 155 But not your worst idea.
- 156 Hey, let's go do something to get your mind off this.
- 157 Yeah, yeah, we should go out.
- 158 Where?
- 159 Uh, I don't know, a bar?
- 160 Can't drink.
- 161 We can, but all right.
- 162 Are you hungry? How about that sushi place you love?
- 163 Doctor said I can't have sushi.
- 164 Okay, look, we don't have to go anywhere.
- 165 We can just, you know, stay here and hang out in the hot tub.
- 166 Doctor said I can't go in the hot tub.
- 167 Maybe you should get a new doctor.
- 168 What, he said you can't laugh either?

- 169 I'd like to propose a toast to our friend, Howard– his, um, his big heart, his beautiful soul...
- 170 And his tight little pants that somehow did not make him sterile.
- 171 Cheers.
- 172 Well, look at this.
- 173 I bet whoever invented tiny umbrellas doesn't have to worry about money.
- 174 He can have all the kids he wants.
- 175 And can keep a small portion of their heads dry.
- 176 If I'm gonna have any chance of raising this kid, I need to come up with a big idea to make some money.
- 177 There's no reason you can't.
- 178 That's easy for you to say.
- 179 You and Sheldon already came up with your superfluid helium model.
- 180 That's just research. We're never gonna make any money from it.
- 181 Forget helium. The real superfluid is the fruit punch in this mug.
- 182 Reminds me of my daddy's secret "Don't Tell Mama" juice.
- 183 Uh, these are strong, you should slow down.
- 184 Oh. I'll just take one last sip.
- 185 Ah.
- 186 Okay, how about this for an invention—slightly... bigger cocktail umbrellas.
- 187 How is that a new invention?
- 188 I don't know, all Apple does is change the size of things and we keep buying them.
- 189 It's true. I like my giant iPad and my little iPad almost as much as my regular-sized iPad.
- 190 This place is terrific.
- 191 Why-why have we never been here before?
- 192 The same reason we don't do a lot of fun stuff- you.
- 193 That's some smart talk from a guy who can't even keep his face in focus.
- 194 Where's the bathroom?
- 195 Uh, it's in the corner.
- 196 Excuse me.
- 197 Hey, how you doin'?
- 198 I hope the bathroom is clearly marked.
- 199 Doesn't matter.
- 200 He's headed for the kitchen anyway.
- 201 Maybe that's an idea—guidance systems for drunk people.
- 202 They have that. It's called Uber.
- 203 Hev.
- 204 In your supercooled helium experiments, did you create quantum vortices?
- 205 Yeah. Why?
- 206 Well, if you made a guidance system, couldn't you use those vortices as a gyroscope?
- 207 Wow. I've never thought about that.
- 208 And since it's in a quantum state, it would maintain an infinite persis-

#### tence.

- 209 Groundbreaking revelations, tropical drinks.
- 210 Tell me this isn't like the best episode of s\*x and the City.
- 211 You may have actually just come up with something.
- 212 You think so?
- 213 I really do.
- 214 You guys, the bathroom here is amazing.
- 215 There's people cooking in it.
- 216 Think about all the fun things you get to do when you have a baby.
- 217 Yeah!
- 218 Yeah, you get to buy toys and little clothes.
- 219 I kind of already do that for Howie.
- 220 And-and whenever you're hungry, you'll be in a minivan with Cheerios all over the floor.
- 221 Oh, and I just found a new travel cup for Sheldon.
- 222 It only lets out three at a time.
- 223 So, when did you guys decide to get pregnant?
- 224 Well, we didn't exactly decide.
- 225 We were talking about it, and then one night we got a little reckless.
- 226 Oh, tell us!
- 227 Yeah, tell us.
- 228 No, I'm embarrassed.
- 229 Oh, come on, we're all grown-ups. We've all done it.
- 230 Me! Me-me, too! I'm a grown-up and I've done it!
- 231 Fine.
- 232 We were out one night, and things got a little spontaneous.
- 233 Oh, that sounds juicy.
- 234 Well, Sheldon was going on and on about time zones and railroad schedules, and I went out...
- 235 Wait, I remember that.
- 236 Hang on.
- 237 You did it at our place?
- 238 Kind of on Sheldon's bed.
- 239 What?! No!
- 240 I was headed to the bathroom, and I passed Howie on his way out.
- 241 Usually he says, "Do not go in there," but this time he said, "Hey, let's go in here."
- 242 How could you do that?
- 243 I'm sorry, but you know what it's like when you're with your man and one thing leads to another.
- 244 I do know what that's like. I really do.
- 245 I'm not seeing anyone using liquid helium vortices like this.
- 246 I'm not finding anything either.
- 247 That's a good sign.
- 248 Oh, wait, I found something.
- 249 Damn. What is it?

- 250 This video. The baby panda sneezes, and the mama panda gets so scared.
- 251 Can you focus on what we're talking about?
- 252 All right.
- 253 Look, now, this may be the rum talking, but as long as the unpinning rate of the vortices is kept within 1.1 and 1.3, the Magnus force issue should be negligible.
- 254 Even drunk, he's still smarter than all of us.
- 255 And stronger.
- 256 Yeah. Who wants to see me beat up the bartender?
- 257 I'd enjoy that.
- 258 Nah, she's a good kid.
- 259 If this is a viable thing, we could get a patent and license it to companies that make guidance systems.
- 260 Look at that. You've known you're gonna be a father for less than a day and you're already stepping up.
- 261 I'm telling you, you got this.
- 262 Maybe you're right.
- 263 Of course he's right.
- 264 You and I both know how hard it is growing up without a father.
- 265 That's why I'm confident you're gonna be the best dad you can be.
- 266 Thank you, Sheldon.
- 267 You're welcome.
- 268 And if he has twins, we can do all kinds of neat experiments on them.
- 269 You guys can go in if you want.
- 270 No, we're a team.
- 271 If you can't go in, we're not going in.
- 272 Then why are we drinking?
- 273 Okay, it's not like she's got the Christ child in there, all right?
- 274 Oh. It's Leonard.
- 275 He says Sheldon's drunk and they're gonna do karaoke if we want to join them.
- 276 That sounds fun.
- 277 Oh. no.
- 278 Sheldon's drunk texting me.
- 279 What's it say?
- 280 "Would you like to sing karaoke with us."
- 281 How is that a drunk text?
- 282 He used a period instead of a question mark.
- 283 He's so wasted.
- 284 Your movie's showing, so you're going
- 285 Could care less about the five you're blowing
- 286 Theater gets dark just to start the show
- 287 You spot a fine woman sitting
- 288 In your row, she's dressed in yellow
- 289 She says, "Hello"
- 290 "Come sit next to me, you fine fellow"

- 291 You run over there without a second to lose
- 292 And what comes next, hey
- 293 Bust a move
- 294 You want it
- 295 You got it, oh, you want it
- 296 Baby, you got it
- 297 Just bust a move
- 298 You want it
- 299 You got it, oh
- 300 You want it, baby, you got it
- 301 Just bust a move
- 302 You want it, you got it
- 303 Oh, you want it
- 304 Hey, guys. Congratulations!
- 305 Thank you.
- 306 Hi. How are you doing?
- 307 Oh, wonderful.
- 308 I'm being musically encouraged to bust a move.
- 309 If I knew what that meant, I might just do it.
- 310 I'm really glad you're here.
- 311 Can we talk?
- 312 Sure.
- 313 So, you gonna get up there later?
- 314 A microphone, a room full of inaccurate depictions of Polynesian religion, and a captive audience to hear about it? You bet I am.
- 315 I'm sorry I freaked out this morning.
- 316 I want you to know...
- 317 I'm done being scared.
- 318 It's okay to be nervous. I am, too.
- 319 Thank God, 'cause I was lying—you might not have to wait nine months to see someone soil their pants.
- 320 But I'm also really excited.
- 321 I mean it.
- 322 Me, too.
- 323 I love you.
- 324 Mmm.
- 325 And I'm not just saying that because your breasts are gonna get bigger.
- 326 Are we an item? Girl, quit playin'
- 327 We're just friends
- 328 What are you sayin'?
- 329 Say there's another and look right in my eyes
- 330 My first love broke my heart for the first time
- 331 And I was like
- 332 Baby, baby, baby, ooh
- 333 Like, baby, baby, baby, no
- 334 Like, baby, baby, baby, ooh

- 335 I thought you'd always be mine
- 336 Baby, I need your lovin', got
- 337 To have all your lovin'
- 338 Baby, I need your lovin'
- 339 Got to have all your lovin'
- 340 -
- 341 Ooh, baby, baby
- 342 Baby, baby
- 343 Ooh, baby, baby
- 344 Baby, baby
- 345 Ah, push it
- 346 I appreciate this, but you really...
- 347 Push it real good
- 348 Land where my fathers died
- 349 Land of the pilgrims' pride
- 350 From ev'ry mountainside
- 351 Let freedom
- 352 Ring...
- 353 I'd like to dedicate my last song of the evening to my wife, best friend,
- and... now the mother of our child.
- 354 I love you, Bernie.
- 355 -
- 356 Havin' my baby
- 357 What a lovely way of sayin'
- 358 How much you love me
- 359 Havin' my baby
- 360 What a lovely way
- 361 Of sayin' what you're thinkin' of me
- 362 You're kidding!
- 363 What kind of maniacs have coitus in someone else's bedroom?!
- 364 -
- 365 Thank you, Pasadena! Good night!
- 366 That was such a fun night.
- 367 Probably 'cause you got to see your man up there rockin' the mic.
- 368 Yeah, yeah. I was a little surprised when you decided to beat-box.
- 369 Oh. That was really an asthma attack.
- 370 I just sold it.
- 371 Well, I am so happy for Howard and Bernadette.
- 372 Me, too.
- 373 So, you ever think about it?
- 374 Babies? Mm-hmm.
- 375 Well, I'm not in a rush but someday, yeah, sure.
- 376 What about you?
- 377 I think we'd make amazing parents.
- 378 Will you guys keep it down?
- 379 On the other hand, we might lack a certain maturity.

# 1.17 Episode 17: The Celebration Experimentation

- 1 So Sheldon, there's something I've been wanting to talk about but I know it's kind of a touchy subject.
- 2 Way to narrow it down to everything.
- 3 What is it?
- 4 Well, your birthday's coming up.
- 5 And you've never let us celebrate it.
- 6 And I was hoping maybe this year we could.
- 7 Oh, I suppose that's a discussion we could have.
- 8 Okay, great, I mean, it doesn't have to be a big party or anything.
- 9 I was just...
- 10 Where'd he go?
- 11 W-Wait a minute.
- 12 You mention his birthday and he vanishes?
- 13 Well, where's that information been this whole time?
- 14 Our whole universe was in a hot, dense state
- 15 Then nearly 14 billion years ago expansion started... Wait!
- 16 The Earth began to cool
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- 22 Bang!
- 23 The Big Bang Theory 9x17
- 24 The Celebration Experimentation
- 25 Original Air Date on February 25, 2016
- 26 Well, where is he?
- 27 Sheldon?
- 28 I'll check his room.
- 29 Surprise!
- 30 (both scream)
- 31 Oh, my God!
- 32 Just one example of how birthdays can be terrible.
- 33 Now, can we please drop this subject and pick a new one?
- 34 Yeah, I suggest "how thick can a soup get before it becomes a stew?"
- 35 You know, the answer, it may surprise you.
- 36 I'm sorry I brought it up.
- 37 Yeah, what is the problem?
- 38 Is it about getting older?
- 39 Please, look at this porcelain skin.
- 40 I'm like a human sink.
- 41 But it's the one day a year that's just all about you.
- 42 One day. (laughs)
- 43 Right.

- 44 Can you please just tell me why?
- 45 Fine.
- 46 As you know, I have a twin sister with whom I obviously share a birthday.
- 47 Every year we'd have a party.
- 48 No one I invited would ever come, because they didn't like me.
- 49 I'm sorry.
- 50 Oh, that part wasn't so bad.
- 51 I didn't like them, either.
- 52 But then I'd inevitably spend the whole day being tortured by my sister's friends.
- 53 Oh, you poor thing.
- 54 When I was six, they told me Batman was coming to my party.
- 55 I waited by the door for hours.
- 56 Closest thing to Batman I saw was when a robin flew into the window.
- 57 You realize none of those things would happen now?
- 58 I do, but why do you care if I celebrate my birthday at all?
- 59 Well, you made my last birthday so memorable, I wanted to return the favor.
- 60 Penny: Yeah, if you had a party now, you have plenty of friends that would love to come.
- 61 And we live here, so we have no choice.
- 62 Yeah.
- 63 Very well.
- 64 You may celebrate my life by throwing a party with cake, presents and a shower of admiration and love.
- 65 But then you owe me big-time.
- 66 You have any idea what you're getting Sheldon for his birthday?
- 67 He's been fascinated with dinosaurs lately.
- 68 Maybe we could get him a fossil.
- 69 Well, just don't get anything Jurassic.
- 70 He feels like that whole chunk of time has gone Hollywood.
- 71 Hey, uh, you know, he told a sad story about how his sister tricked him into thinking Batman was coming to his party.
- 72 That's funny.
- 73 Let's do that.
- 74 Maybe we could get Batman to actually show up.
- 75 You mean, some guy in a lame suit?
- 76 Or a real Batman.
- 77 Hev, Stuart?
- 78 Didn't you try to get Adam West to do a signing here once?
- 79 Yeah, but there was kind of a scheduling conflict.
- 80 He, uh, wanted to know when he'd get paid.
- 81 And I wouldn't tell him.
- 82 Can I get his contact info?
- 83 Sure, uh, but just so you know, he's kind of a diva.
- 84 He is?

- 85 Oh, yeah.
- 86 Won't take the bus.
- 87 He won't pack his own lunch.
- 88 Won't let you spend the night on his couch.
- 89 Okay, so how do you feel about party balloons?
- 90 Uh, Mylar balloons, yes.
- 91 Latex balloons, no.
- 92 Water balloons, I will jump off the roof and aim for your car.
- 93 All right, what about music?
- 94 I enjoy marching bands and Tibetan throat singing.
- 95 No music it is.
- 96 What kind of cake do you like?
- 97 Well, my favorite is chocolate with strawberry frosting, three layers, and if there's writing on it, make sure it's not all caps.
- 98 I don't need my dessert yelling at me.
- 99 Hey, so what was Adam West like on the phone?
- 100 Uh, nice guy.
- 101 But it was a little weird to hear Batman say, "Don't ring the doorbell or my poodles will go crazy."
- 102 You know, Adam West is my favorite Batman?
- 103 Well, after Michael Keaton, Christian Bale and Batman from The Lego Movie.
- 104 Don't say that to him.
- 105 What? He beat out George Clooney.
- 106 And that's something.
- 107 Like, I love me some Clooney.
- 108 Don't say that to anyone.
- 109 Thank you so much for helping us, Stuart.
- 110 Oh, I-I was just glad to be invited.
- 111 To be honest, I don't always feel like I'm part of the group.
- 112 Okay, sweetie, we're on the clock here.
- 113 Can you hate yourself and frost at the same time?
- 114 (door opens)
- 115 Hello, I hope I'm not too early.
- 116 No, no, no. Come on in.
- 117 And how is the radiant mommy-to-be?
- 118 Doing great.
- 119 Y-You're pregnant?
- 120 Yeah.
- 121 Sounds like something a member of the group might know.
- 122 Yeah, birthday party first.
- 123 Pity party later.
- 124 Are you crazy?
- 125 How can you put Michael Keaton in front of Christian Bale?
- 126 Oh, please.
- 127 Even my poodles know Bale's overrated.

- 128 Thank you!
- 129 That's why I say Keaton's number one.
- 130 He brought a sense of humor to the role.
- 131 Oh, if you're gonna factor in a sense of humor, then I should be at the top of the list.
- 132 It should be me, Keaton, Kilmer, Lego, Bale, and that pretty boy Clooney.
- 133 Really?
- 134 You're ahead of Bale?
- 135 The man who personified the words, (deep voice): "I'm Batman."
- 136 I never had to say I'm Batman.
- 137 I showed up.
- 138 People knew I was Batman.
- 139 Everywhere I went- on the TV show, mall openings...
- 140 Julie Newmar's bungalow.
- 141 I'm sold- you're ahead of Bale.
- 142 There's another reason I should be higher on the list.
- 143 All those other guys had muscles built into their costumes.
- 144 All I had in my Batsuit was 100145 Can we just all agree we're worried about Affleck?
- 146 Sure. Yeah, of course.
- 147 What's an Affleck?
- 148 Is there a reason I had to leave my own apartment?
- 149 Well, I think they just want you to see it for the first time all decorated.
- 150 But who's gonna tell them they're doing it wrong?
- 151 Well, I'm... I'm sure they'll ask you to give a speech, and that's when you just tear 'em a new one.
- 152 Have to say, you... you do look good in that suit.
- 153 Oh. Thank you.
- 154 Maybe later I'll, uh... get to see you in your birthday suit.
- 155 But this is my birthday suit.
- 156 Are you having a stroke?
- 157 Because that's the kind of thing that just ruins a birthday party.
- 158 So, Mother, I'm surprised you came all this way for Sheldon's birthday.
- 159 Oh, I was happy to.
- 160 He did come to my 60th.
- 161 Oh. You had a party for your 60th?
- 162 Oh, I wouldn't call it a party.
- 163 Just a few close friends.
- 164 And your sister and brother.
- 165 You know, to be fair, we did get married in Vegas and didn't invite her.
- 166 And I never did thank you for that, dear.
- 167 (ringtone plays)
- 168 Amy: Oh.
- 169 Penny says everyone's there.
- 170 Are you ready?
- 171 (takes deep breath) I am.

- 172 Oh. Wait.
- 173 Are you all right?
- 174 No, I just... I got a little light-headed.
- 175 Oh, d-do you need a minute?
- 176 (exhales) No.
- 177 No, if I can walk past that pet shop with the parrot in the window, I suppose I can do this.
- 178 Others: Happy birthday!
- 179 (whooping, clapping)
- 180 Speech! Speech!
- 181 Come on, Sheldon, say something.
- 182 Uh, um... uh, thank you all so much for coming.
- 183 Uh, Beverly.
- 184 Wil Wheaton.
- 185 Adam West, for some reason.
- 186 Batman finally came to your party.
- 187 Happy birthday, Sherman.
- 188 Sheldon: Thank you.
- 189 This is all so thoughtful.
- 190 (heartbeat thumping loudly)
- 191 (panting): Excuse me.
- 192 I still get paid, don't I?
- 193 Okay, I'd better go in there and talk to him.
- 194 Well, don't you think I'm the one who should go in?
- 195 No offense, but I've known the guy a really long time.
- 196 Well, I've, you know, seen him without pants on.
- 197 Again, no offense, but so have I.
- 198 Well, he's seen me without pants on.
- 199 Again, no...
- 200 Okay, this is ridiculous.
- 201 (knocking)
- 202 Sheldon?
- 203 Can I come in?
- 204 (sighs)
- 205 How do you know I'm not using the facilities?
- 206 Because you e-mail me your bathroom schedule once a week, even though
- I've clicked unsubscribe, like, a thousand times.
- 207 So... what's going on?
- 208 I don't know.
- 209 I-I looked around the room, and I saw all the faces and the presents, and
- it... it was just too much.
- 210 I get that.
- 211 Hey, you want to just bring a few people in here?
- 212 You know, Wil Wheaton in the bathtub, Batman on the toilet.
- 213 It'll be like the weirdest Comic-Con ever.
- 214 I know that you worked hard to put this together.

- 215 I'm sorry I'm ruining it.
- 216 Oh, pl... You're not ruining it.
- 217 Look, at some point, Raj will try to get everyone to do the Electric Slide.
- 218 Now, that will ruin it.
- 219 I don't think I can go back out there.
- 220 That's fine.
- 221 You know, I hate that your sister and her friends used to torture you.
- 222 But what I hate even more is, if I was there, I would have tortured you, too.
- 223 Based on this pep talk, I'd say you're still doing it.
- 224 (scoffs) My point is, there was a time I never would've been friends with someone like you, and now... you are one of my favorite people.
- 225 So, if what you need is to spend your birthday in a bathroom, I'm happy to do it with you.
- 226 Well, everyone will think I'm weird.
- 227 Sweetie, you are weird.
- 228 Everyone knows you're weird, but they're all still here because they care about you so much.
- 229 (knocking)
- 230 Kripke: Hello.
- 231 Some of us need to check our hair because we might have a shot with Leonard's mother.
- 232 Leonard.
- 233 Hey.
- 234 It's been a while.
- 235 Leslie.
- 236 I can't remember the last time we talked.
- 237 So much has changed.
- 238 Has it?
- 239 Yeah, uh, um, Penny and I got married.
- 240 Wow, congratulations.
- 241 You know, actually, I thought you'd be living with Sheldon forever.
- 242 Yeah, well...
- 243 Don't be a stranger.
- 244 Okay, everybody, Sheldon is gonna come back out, but I think he's a little embarrassed, so let's all be extra nice, okay?
- 245 What are you looking at me for?
- 246 I'm a saint. (chuckles)
- 247 But a sinner in the sack.
- 248 Hello, everyone.
- 249 I-I...
- 250 I'd like to apologize for my behavior.
- 251 I hope it hasn't put a damper on the party.
- 252 So, just, please, enjoy yourselves.
- 253 That's good.
- 254 (party chatter resumes)

- 255 Oh, this is quickly getting out of hand.
- 256 If I may, I-I'd like to propose a toast.
- 257 Um, thank you all for coming tonight.
- 258 I know it's customary for the birthday boy to receive presents, but I feel
- like I got the greatest gift the day he was born.
- 259 All: Aw.
- 260 Hear, hear.
- 261 Koothrappali: Cheers.
- 262 Amy, that was lovely.
- 263 You know, this is fun.
- 264 Let's do more.
- 265 Someone else say something wonderful about me.
- 266 Sheldon, I don't think everyone...
- 267 Wolowitz, perfect. Everyone listen to Wolowitz.
- 268 Okay, then, uh, (clears throat)
- 269 Sheldon, (chuckles) we've known each other a long time.
- 270 And it is a pleasure to work with you and call you my friend.
- 271 Little generic. Keep thinking. We'll circle back.
- 272 Wil Wheaton, go.
- 273 Sheldon, I know that we've had our ups and downs, but I can honestly say that my life is so much more interesting because you are in it.
- 274 We may have met because you are a fan of Star Trek.
- 275 But I have become a fan of Sheldon Cooper.
- 276 Live long and prosper, buddy.
- 277 And happy birthday.
- 278 All: Cheers.
- 279 That's how you do it, Wolowitz.
- 280 Now you see why he's famous and you're not.
- 281 Sheldon, I know the future holds great things for you, and we all can't wait to see what they are.
- 282 Happy birthday, dear.
- 283 All: Cheers.
- 284 Someone call Animal Control.
- 285 There's a cougar on the loose.
- 286 Barry, stop.
- 287 Seriously, Barry, stop.
- 288 And it was Gandhi who said, "Live as if you were to die tomorrow. Learn as if you were to live forever."
- 289 And it was Sheldon Cooper who said "Let's speed this up.
- 290 A lot of people want to talk""
- 291 Uh, in the past, I would've said something obnoxious, like, "Happy birthday, dumbass".
- 292 But I'm not gonna do it.
- 293 You and I have both grown a lot, and it's just so nice to see you all again.
- 294 So... happy birthday, Sheldon.
- 295 Oh.

- 296 Oh, now, you know I hate change.
- 297 Say it.
- 298 Happy birthday, dumbass!
- 299 (cheering)
- 300 Happy birthday, young man.
- 301 And if any of you have enjoyed seeing me here today, I'm also available for Comic-Cons, bachelor parties, bar mitzvahs...
- 302 I can't think of anything to say that hasn't already been said.
- 303 So, here's to you, Sheldon.
- 304 Hear, hear. Hear, hear.
- 305 Thank you, Bernadette.
- 306 That was perfect.
- 307 What? You gotta be kidding me?
- 308 Sheldon, we've been together so long, it's hard to remember a time you weren't in my life.
- 309 And believe me, I try.
- 310 (laughter)
- 311 You make me laugh.
- 312 You make me a better scientist.
- 313 You make me crazy.
- 314 You're more than just my roommate, you're my brother.
- 315 Thank you.
- 316 Happy birthday, buddy.
- 317 All: Cheers.
- 318 Thank you. That-that was wonderful.
- 319 Penny: Oh, wait, wait, wait.
- 320 Stuart didn't get to speak.
- 321 Oh, oh, okay. Um...
- 322 Uh, Sheldon, I've spent most of my life feeling invisible, but having you and everyone...
- 323 Hey, everybody, listen up.
- 324 You nailed it.
- 325 We've got someone who couldn't be here but really wanted to wish you a happy birthday.
- 326 Hello, Sheldon.
- 327 (gasps)
- 328 Professor Hawking. (chuckles)
- 329 Happy birthday to you.
- 330 Thank you so much.
- 331 I can't believe you're...
- 332 Happy birthday to you.
- 333 Oh, you're singing.
- 334 Well, I'm sorry.
- 335 Happy birthday, dear Sheldon.
- 336 Leonard: Uh, Professor Hawking, if you just give us one second, we'll light the candles, and we can all sing together.

- 337 I was crushing it, but all right.
- 338 Okay, while they get the cake, Sheldon, I just want to say, I hope you didn't think you were gonna get through tonight without a hug.
- 339 (sighs)
- 340 You know, I used to hate these hugs.
- 341 Now they're just extremely irritating.
- 342 Ready when you are, Professor Hawking.
- 343 And a one, and a two...
- 344 Happy birthday to you
- 345 Happy birthday to you
- 346 Happy birthday, dear Sheldon
- 347 Happy birthday to you.
- 348 ...to you.
- 349 (cheering)
- 350 So, who's taking me home?

# 1.18 Episode 18: The Application Deterioration

- 1 Previously on The Big Bang Theory...
- 2 I guess I'm still wondering if Emily and I are right for each other.
- 3 Does this have to do with that girl you had coffee with?
- 4 You mean the strong, sexy angel I can't stop thinking about?
- 5 Who can say?
- 6 I need to come up with a big idea to make some money.
- 7 There's no reason you can't.
- 8 That's easy for you to say.
- 9 You and Sheldon already came up with your superfluid helium model.
- 10 That's just research.
- 11 We're never going to make any money from it.
- 12 Forget helium— the real superfluid is the fruit punch in this mug.
- 13 It reminds me of my daddy's secret "Don't Tell Mama" juice.
- 14 Maybe that's an idea.
- 15 Guidance systems for drunk people.
- 16 They have that, it's called Uber.
- 17 Hey, in your supercooled helium experiments, did you create quantum vortices?
- 18 Yeah, why?
- 19 Well, if you made a guidance system, couldn't you use those vortices as a gyroscope?
- 20 Wow. Never thought about that.
- 21 And, since it's in a quantum state, it would maintain an infinite persistence.
- 22 Groundbreaking revelations, tropical drinks.
- 23 Tell me this isn't like the best episode of s\*x and the City.
- 24 Okay, I gotta ask- why are you wearing a bow tie?
- 25 I've never applied for a patent before.
- 26 I wanted to make a good impression.

- 27 Oh. Is the impression that your first name is Pee-Wee?
- 28 (chuckling)
- 29 Yeah, well, you're an engineer.
- 30 End of joke, burn.
- 31 Come on in, fellas.
- 32 See, he's not wearing a tie.
- 33 Well, he's a patent attorney.
- 34 Maybe his tie is pending.
- 35 So, I've reviewed your paperwork, and it seems like we've got everything we need to file a patent for your infinite persistence gyroscope.
- 36 That's great! Excellent.
- 37 So what happens next?
- 38 Well, the legal team needs to review existing patents to avoid overlap.
- 39 Oh, I don't think there will be.
- 40 Yes, we did our own search.
- 41 That's nice, but I think ours might be a bit more thorough.
- 42 (chuckles): Get a load of this guy.
- 43 Can you imagine if we make money with this?
- 44 If we do, I am splurging on the best sinus irrigator money can buy.
- 45 That old sad story—guy gets a little money, goes straight up his nose.
- 46 Just need you to review and sign this document acknowledging that you understand the university will own 7547 7548 That's outrageous.
- 49 This is our idea based on our research.
- 50 How can you possibly justify owning a majority share?
- 51 It's university policy.
- 52 I know when I'm beat.
- 53 Hold on, hold on. So the three of us do all the work and only end up with 2554 Dr. Hofstadter, this university has been paying your salaries for over ten years.
- 55 Did you think we do that out of the goodness of our hearts?
- 56 Well, until you just said that mean thing, kinda.
- 57 And as far as Mr. Wolowitz is concerned, I'm afraid as a federal employee on loan from NASA, your name can be on the patent, but you're not entitled to an ownership share.
- 58 Wait, so this can turn out to be a financial success, and I get nothing?
- 59 Well, sometimes they give you a plaque.
- 60 Well, that's not fair.
- 61 We should all get plaques.
- 62 Sorry, but we can't sign this.
- 63 Come on, let's go.
- 64 Thank you for your time.
- 65 Couple of questions about the plaque...
- 66 Our whole universe was in a hot, dense state
- 67 Then nearly 14 billion years ago expansion started... Wait!
- 68 The Earth began to cool
- 69 The autotrophs began to drool, Neanderthals developed tools

- 70 We built the Wall
- 71 We built the pyramids
- 72 Math, Science, History, unraveling the mystery
- 73 That all started with a big bang
- 74 Bang!
- 75 The Big Bang Theory 9x18
- 76 The Application Deterioration
- 77 Original Air Date on March 10, 2016
- 78 So, have you been having any morning sickness?
- 79 A little.
- 80 And it doesn't help that I've got this heightened sense of smell.
- 81 Is that a pregnancy thing?
- 82 Yeah.
- 83 The other day I sniffed out where Howie hid the Girl Scout cookies.
- 84 No more Tagalongs, my ass.
- 85 But now you'll be able to make your own milk to eat the cookies with.
- 86 Hey, guys. Hey, Penny.
- 87 I really appreciate you helping me with this.
- 88 I don't know what to do.
- 89 Oh, sure. Let me see it.
- 90 See what?
- 91 I hadn't spoken to Emily since I broke up with her, and she left this on my doorstep with a note.
- 92 "Raj, I got you this before we split up, but couldn't return it and thought you'd like to have it. Happy belated Valentine's Day, Emily"
- 93 That's nice.
- 94 Nice, or is she trying to manipulate him?
- 95 I know. I mean, do I open it? Do I return it?
- 96 Why wouldn't you open it?
- 97 Well, she was pretty mad.
- 98 For all I know it's a voodoo doll of me with a fork stuck in my junk.
- 99 You don't think she'd actually send you something gross or dangerous, do you?
- 100 I know one way to find out—sniff this.
- 101 She's pregnant, she's not a bloodhound.
- 102 Although I am getting a little machine oil.
- 103 I think it's metal.
- 104 Come on, just open it.
- 105 You know, on Game of Thrones,
- 106 Balon Greyjoy received his son's genitals in a box.
- 107 Well, never hurts to have a spare.
- 108 Bernadette: What is that?
- 109 Wow. It's an antique sextant.
- 110 Sailors used these to find their position by the stars.
- 111 What a nice gift for an astrophysicist.
- 112 I know, she's so thoughtful.

- 113 See, she's trying to get you back.
- 114 Now, that is exactly what I would've gotten you if I had any idea what it is or what you do.
- 115 You know, I have too much self-esteem to let this girl guilt me into getting back together with her.
- 116 You don't need to be pregnant to smell that load of crap.
- 117 Well, what if we go around the university and just get the patent ourselves?
- 118 We can't. It says on their Web site, as long as we work there, they have a controlling ownership of anything we come up with.
- 119 Great, so they own my idea for a T-shirt that says "Dumb as a Bag of Geologists."
- 120 Well, our choices are we do this with the university or we don't do it at all.
- 121 Either way, I get nothing.
- 122 Or, if we ended up making money from this, Sheldon and I could split our shares with you.
- 123 To be clear, Leonard is referring to the gyroscope, not the T-shirt and mugs.
- 124 Oh! Now they own the mugs.
- 125 I guess that is a way around this.
- 126 You guys would be cool doing it like that?
- 127 Of course, we can split any profits three ways.
- 128 I'm fine with that.
- 129 Okay, great.
- 130 It sounds like a, uh, contract might be in order.
- 131 Sure, we could write something up.
- 132 But which one of us should be the party who...
- 133 You can do it, Sheldon.
- 134 So stipulated!
- 135 Once I found a stash of contracts under his bed.
- 136 It was weird.
- 137 I wonder how much she spent on this.
- 138 Ooh, let's find out.
- 139 It doesn't matter.
- 140 It's the thought that counts.
- 141 Yeah, yeah, and beauty's on the inside, size doesn't matter– how much she spend?
- 142 Seriously, guys, I don't want to know.
- 143 Oh, my.
- 144 Oh, come on, you can't say "Oh, my," and then not tell me!
- 145 These things go for 500andup.
- 146 Bernadette: Damn.
- 147-All Igot for Valentine's Daywas a postcard saying my Vermont Teddy Bearwas back-ordered.
- 148 Penny: Okay, so, shedropsof fa500 gift and she's not trying to get back

- together with you?
- 149 Maybe you're right.
- 150 Or she's telling the truth and just being nice.
- 151 Maybe you're right.
- 152 Wow, I am easy to manipulate.
- 153 (phone chiming)
- 154 Oh, guys, it's Emily.
- 155 What should I do?
- 156 Okay, answer it. Just be strong.
- 157 And if she starts to cry, don't make any promises.
- 158 And most importantly, put it on speaker so we can hear.
- 159 Hello?
- 160 Hey, it's Emily.
- 161 Is this a good time?
- 162 Yeah, yeah. Sure. What's up?
- 163 Was it okay I left that gift?
- 164 I'm really hoping we can be friends.
- 165 Maybe, maybe.
- 166 Um, you think you'd want to grab a cup of coffee?
- 167 Hello?
- 168  $\mbox{I'm}$  sorry,  $\mbox{I}$  seem to be taking an annoying amount of time deciding how
- I feel about this!
- 169 I just... I miss hanging out with you.
- 170 It's not like I lost a friend, it's like I lost my best friend.
- 171 (choking up): Is there any chance you'd want to come over?
- 172 I'm sorry, I don't think that's a good idea.
- 173 Okay. I'm just...
- 174 (crying): I'm having a really hard time, but that's not your problem, that's mine.
- 175 I-I won't bother you again, but please know that you'll always have a place in my heart.
- 176 Bye, Raj.
- 177 You're a good guy.
- 178 Good-bye, Emily.
- 179 (sighs): That was rough, you guys.
- 180 I know, but you did it. I'm so proud of you.
- 181 Well, anyway, I'll leave you to your girls' night.
- 182 Are you sure you don't want to stay here with us?
- 183 No, I kind of feel like being alone right now.
- 184 Well, if you change your mind, we'll be here.
- 185 Thank you.
- 186 Say hi to Emily for us.
- 187 Will do.
- 188 This contract looks good to me.
- 189 I'll say it looks good.
- 190 It's in my proprietary font, Shelvetica.

- 191 I want to say something obnoxious, but it is easy on the eyes.
- 192 I'm a little tired, Howie. You ready to go?
- 193 Yeah, one sec. I just need to sign this contract.
- 194 What is it?
- 195 Well, we ran into a problem about my share of the patent, so we're forming a partnership to split anything we make equally.
- 196 Sheldon, did you draft the contract?
- 197 You bet I did.
- 198 Ooh. You're gonna make out so hard tonight.
- 199 So, you're just gonna sign this without having a lawyer look at it?
- 200 Excuse me.
- 201 I've been drafting contracts since kindergarten.
- 202 Didn't need a lawyer to get me out of finger painting.
- 203 Don't need one now.
- 204 I know, but...
- 205 Bernie, the guys were nice enough to find a way to keep me from being cut out.
- 206 Well, I should hope so.
- 207 The whole thing was your idea.
- 208 Well, to be fair, Howard's idea was based on Sheldon's math.
- 209 Guys, everyone is involved in this, okay?
- 210 Howard's invention, Sheldon's math, my original theory that space-time was like a supercooled liquid.
- 211 Which I'm sure Penny would've mentioned if she wasn't working on that hangnail right now.
- 212 What?
- 213 Honey, this is fine.
- 214 If you want to sign a contract that Sheldon whipped up, go ahead.
- 215 Can I talk to you in the hall?
- 216 Sure.
- 217 Excuse us.
- 218 Hev. Leonard.
- 219 What?
- 220 If she doesn't think that we should apply for this patent, she's being patently absurd.
- 221 Good one.
- 222 Okay, you got it.
- 223 See, I was afraid it was a thinker.
- 224 What are you doing?
- 225 I just want to make sure you've thought this through.
- 226 What's to think about?
- 227 We have an invention and want to move forward.
- 228 Howie, you're about to form a legal partnership with Sheldon Cooper.
- 229 All right, if you're gonna calmly make excellent points, then I don't know if I want to talk to you.
- 230 Okay. I get it.

- 231 And it's sweet that you're worried about me, but I can take care of myself.
- 232 I'm not worried about you. I'm worried about me.
- 233 I don't want to go through this pregnancy listening to you complain about Sheldon driving you crazy more than you already do.
- 234 Here we go with the ironclad logic again.
- 235 You've tried to work with him before.
- 236 It hasn't gone well.
- 237 Why is this time gonna be any different?
- 238 Is the fetus helping you?
- 239 'Cause that's cheating.
- 240 (phone rings)
- 241 Hello?
- 242 Claire: Hey, Raj.
- 243 It's Claire. How are you?
- 244 Hi. I'm good. Really good.
- 245 Well, I don't know why I said "really good."
- 246 I'm just regular good.
- 247 I really just wanted to sound confident.
- 248 And that "really" was a real "really," not a fake "really" like the first "really."
- 249 Really?
- 250 I don't know. I lost track and I missed my exit.
- 251 So, uh... so what's up?
- 252 Well, last time we talked, I had just gotten back together with my boyfriend, and I wanted to let you know that things didn't work out.
- 253 Really? I'm sorry.
- 254 I swear I know other words.
- 255 So if you were still interested...
- 256 Yes! Indeed! Absolutely! Indubitably!
- 257  $\mathrm{I'm}$  not even sure what the last one means, but it's another word, and  $\mathrm{I}$  know it.
- 258 So, uh, when do you want to meet up?
- 259 Uh, I'm almost off work.
- 260 What are you doing now?
- 261 R-Right now, well...
- 262 Well, actually, to-to be completely honest, I'm stopping by to see my exgirlfriend because she's having a tough time. But... it's not like we're getting back together or anything.
- 263 Let me guess, the worst part about breaking up is that she doesn't have her best friend to talk to anymore?
- 264 That's exactly what she said!
- 265 How do you know that?
- 266 I'm a girl. It's, like, page one out of the playbook.
- 267 Any chance you could send me a PDF of that playbook?
- 268 They've been out there a while.
- 269 I hope everything's okay.

- 270 I wonder what they're talking about.
- 271 Penny: If you guys would shut up, I could tell you.
- 272 Oh.
- 273 Be cool, be cool, be cool.
- 274 Hev.
- 275 Hello.
- 276 Hey. You guys all right?
- 277 Yeah. But, um, we were talking, and... I'm a little concerned about the three of us forming a partnership.
- 278 Are you suggesting a limited liability corporation?
- 279 'Cause I did not L-L-see that coming.
- 280 Sheldon, my concern is not with the money or anything.
- 281 It's-it's with how you treat me.
- 282 Well, I believe I'm treating you generously.
- 283 That's why I've stipulated in the contract that your contributions to our invention are as valuable as my own.
- 284 Are you saying that his contributions aren't as valuable as yours?
- 285 No, I am not saying that, because I kept saying that this morning and Leonard said, "Stop saying that"
- 286 See? This is what happens every time we work together.
- 287 Penny: You know what, hang on.
- 288 What if Sheldon had no choice but to be respectful?
- 289 Is there a switch on the back of his neck we don't know about?
- 290 Penny: No.
- 291 What I'm saying is you could add a clause to the contract that he can't make fun of Howard.
- 292 How would you enforce it?
- 293 Oh, please.
- 294 Any contract I sign is enforced by my own personal code of ethics.
- 295 And his obsessive-compulsive disorder.
- 296 Yeah, that, too.
- 297 And scoot over.
- 298 Part of your shadow's on my spot.
- 299 Howard, what do you think?
- 300 I'm on board.
- 301 I'll add it right now.
- 302 Oh, baby, it's addendum time!
- 303 (line ringing)
- 304 Emily: Hello?
- 305 Hey, Emily, listen, I've been thinking, and I'm not sure it's a good idea that I come over.
- 306 Oh.
- 307 (crying): Okay. I understand.
- 308 No, no. Please don't cry.
- 309 Okay, I'll stop!
- 310 Hello?

- 311 Hey, so, listen, Claire, change of plans...
- 312 Fine. Do what you want, but she's playing you.
- 313 I don't think so. She sounded pretty upset.
- 314 You mean like... "I was just really looking forward to seeing you. I'm having such a rough day."
- 315 Emily, listen...
- 316 I'm sorry, but I can't come by.
- 317 Why not?
- 318 I think we both know if I come over, we're gonna get back together and... I told you I needed a friend.
- 319 What do you think is happening here?
- 320 Call you right back.
- 321 The-the revisions I made start on page four.
- 322 Wow. That is a lot of "whereupons".
- 323 You should see the Valentine's Day card he gave me.
- 324 "Article three: As it pertains to this project, Dr. Sheldon Cooper promises to abstain from all insulting or disrespectful language directed toward Howard Wolowitz, including but not limited to: mockery of engineering, his height, his hair, his wardrobe, and his insane belief that the Ghost Rider movie was, quote, 'not that bad.'"
- 325 Hang on. Maybe there should be a "no insult" clause about me, too.
- 326 Do you still like cilantro?
- 327 Yeah.
- 328 You're tying my hands here.
- 329 All right, let's sign this.
- 330 Penny: Wait, wait, wait.
- 331 What are these changes on page six?
- 332 Sheldon, what did you do?
- 333 Wolowitz: I should've known.
- 334 "25335 Sheldon, that's so nice.
- 336 Leonard: That beats the onesie I was gonna get them from babyGap.
- 337 That's very generous, Sheldon.
- 338 Oh, I've always valued education over money.
- 339 And the very fact that you needed a written guarantee of respect made me realize how dismissive I've been of your contributions.
- 340 I appreciate that. And I just hope that this scholarship can rescue your child from the subpar education and menial life of an engineer.
- 341 Sheldon.
- 342 What?
- 343 I didn't sign it yet.
- 344 I hear what you're saying, but I've known Emily a long time, and I think she deserves the benefit of the doubt.
- 345 All right, it's your life.
- 346 But you know how this is gonna end.
- 347 As a matter of fact, I do.
- 348 I'm gonna comfort her, because I'm a caring and decent friend who's happy

to be there when she needs someone to talk to.

349 - Good talk.

## 1.19 Episode 19: The Solder Excursion Diversion

- 1 (through static): I didn't understand your e-mail.
- 2 Uh, can you repeat that? You're breaking up.
- 3 I didn't understand your e-mail.
- 4 Ah. Yeah, I had to get a little creative because the S, R and M keys on my laptop stopped working.
- 5 "Deaw Aby, could you pleathe dwive be to the twain thtow thubtibe to-bowow?"
- 6 So, is that a yes?
- 7 Sheldon, why don't you get a new computer?
- 8 You know that one's out-of-date.
- 9 Oh, but I like this computer.
- 10 The video is failing, and the sound is cutting out.
- 11 I'm sorry, I didn't get that.
- 12 (through static): The video is failing, and the sound is cutting out.
- 13 I'm sorry, one more time. The sound is cutting out.
- 14 I can't read that!
- 15 The video is failing!
- 16 (through static): Get a new computer.
- 17 What?
- 18 (through static): Get a new computer.
- 19 What?!
- 20 (phone rings)
- 21 Hello?
- 22 Get a new computer!
- 23 Our whole universe was in a hot, dense state
- 24 Then nearly 14 billion years ago expansion started... Wait!
- 25 The Earth began to cool
- 26 The autotrophs began to drool, Neanderthals developed tools
- 27 We built the Wall
- 28 We built the pyramids
- 29 Math, Science, History, unraveling the mystery
- 30 That all started with a big bang
- 31 Bang!
- 32 The Big Bang Theory 9x19
- 33 The Solder Excursion Diversion
- 34 Original Air Date on March 31, 2016
- 35 This is cool.
- 36 When was the last time you and I built something together?
- 37 Scientifically? A little over a year ago.
- 38 LEGOs? Last week in my room.
- 39 If there was a Nobrize for Millennium Falcons that fall apart when you pick

them up, we'd be set.

- 40 Hey, guys!
- 41 Both: Hev.
- 42 What are you doing here?
- 43 We heard there were some sexy scientists working hard all weekend.
- 44 Yeah, so we brought you some lunch and we are gonna go look for 'em.
- 45 Soup, sandwiches and emasculation, just like my mom used to make.
- 46 So, how's it goin'?
- 47 Good. Slow.
- 48 There's a lot of tedious setup, but once we get through that it should go quicker.
- 49 Is there anything we can do to help?
- 50 You know what, this part isn't that technical.
- 51 You actually could.
- 52 Wow, really? Called my bluff. All righty then.
- 53 Can we really help?
- 54 While we finish soldering these boards, it'd be great if you guys could wrap these pipe fittings with Teflon tape.
- 55 I'll show you how to do one.
- 56 Hey, w-wouldn't it be funny if after all your years of hard work, I'm the one who makes a scientific breakthrough?
- 57 He doesn't think that's funny.
- 58 (static crackling)
- 59 (gasps)
- 60 (sighs)
- 61 (knocking)
- 62 I got here as quickly as I could.
- 63 You're too late.
- 64 ("Taps" playing)
- 65 Sheldon, this is silly.
- 66 You got emotional when that lab monkey died.
- 67 That lab monkey told me he loved me in sign language.
- 68 -
- 69 ("Taps" ends)
- 70 Great.
- 71 Now I'm gonna have that song in my head all day.
- 72 Look, I'm-I'm sorry for your loss, but I think I have something that might make you feel better.
- 73 I got you a new computer!
- 74 How could you do that?
- 75 Do what?
- 76 Choosing a new laptop is an incredibly personal ritual.
- 77 You have taken away weeks of agonizing thought, tedious research, sleepless nights filled with indecision. I j...
- 78 Haven't I lost enough today?
- 79 Well, the guy at the store said this one is great.

- 80 Oh! Oh, the guy!
- 81 Oh, pardon me.
- 82 I-I didn't realize you'd spoken to the guy.
- 83 Yeah, tell me, did the guy choose one with a 4K display and a Thunderbolt port?
- 84 Yes.
- 85 Yeah?
- 86 D-Did the guy make sure that this has a one-terabyte solid-state drive?
- 87 Yes
- 88 Yeah? Oh, well, was this guy Rick from Computer Solutions on Colorado?
- 89 Yes.
- 90 Yeah, well, he does know his stuff.
- 91 After you wrap the body in reflective tape, the ends get Teflon tape so we can get a tight seal.
- 92 Like this? Oh.
- 93 Yeah, perfect.
- 94 And it helps to have small, delicate fingers.
- 95 So don't be discouraged if you can't do it as fast as me and Howard. (chuckles)
- 96 I don't know if we have enough solder to finish these circuit boards.
- 97 We had a full spool yesterday.
- 98 What can I say, I play hard, I solder even harder.
- 99 Sometimes he solders at home with his shirt off.
- 100 It's like a beer commercial.
- 101 (blows, clicks tongue)
- 102 Well, we got to make a run to the hardware store.
- 103 How can you call yourself a scientist and run out of solder?
- 104 Well, funny story. So, we have plenty of the 60/40 tin-to-lead ratio solder, but the spools look a lot like the 63/37 tin-to...
- 105 Honey, honey, honey, let me stop you. That is-is not a funny story.
- 106 You want to come with us?
- 107 I'm kind of getting into the groove here.
- 108 Yeah, you guys run to the store and let the women handle the science for a change.
- 109 Leonard: Okay.
- 110 We'll be back as soon as we can.
- 111 (clears throat) Okay, so what... is solder?
- 112 I suppose I should set this up.
- 113 Or would you like to rob me of that, too?
- 114 Knock it off or I'll start making W-H sounds for words that just have a W.
- 115 You wouldn't.
- 116 "Hwatch" me.
- 117 Fine. I'm sorry.
- 118 Thank you for the thoughtful gift.
- 119 I really do appreciate it.

- 120 As you know, I had become attached to my old laptop.
- 121 But I'm sure, in time, that this one will...
- 122 (gasps) Jeepers creepers, that started up fast!
- 123 I thought you might like it.
- 124 Look at the 4K resolution.
- 125 Next time we Skype, I'm gonna count all those no stril hairs.
- 126 Or you could just look into my eyes.
- 127 But you only have two eyes.
- 128 You got a lot of nostril hairs.
- 129 Well, you know, as long as you're happy.
- 130 Oh.
- 131 I am. (chuckles)
- 132 And Rick said you could bring in your old one to recycle it.
- 133 Oh. Uh, no, no, no, thank you.
- 134 Oh, but he said you can get store credit.
- 135 Well, no, I just... I-I don't want to recycle it.
- 136 And I don't want store credit.
- 137 But why wouldn't...
- 138 Can we please change the subject?
- 139 O-Okay.
- 140 How 'bout we change it to why you're being weird about this?
- 141 I'm not being weird.
- 142 I...
- 143 It's hard to explain.
- 144 Sheldon, just tell me.
- 145 It might be easier to show you.
- 146 Okay.
- 147 We'd have to take your car.
- 148 All right.
- 149 And I'm gonna need you to sign a nondisclosure agreement.
- 150 Well, I signed one before we slept together.
- 151 Why not now?
- 152 Penny says they're having fun working on the prototype.
- 153 Remember when her fun was nightclubs and drinking games?
- 154 I know. I'm lowering the bar so slowly.
- 155 This time next year she'll have a coin collection.
- 156 Excuse me.
- 157 You guys interested in a free screening of an upcoming movie?
- 158 Oh. Sorry, we can't.
- 159 Well, hang on. What movie is it?
- 160 Oh, I can't tell you. But it does star Will Smith.
- 161 Wait.
- 162 I bet it's Suicide Squad.
- 163 Let's check it out.
- 164 What about the girls?
- 165 Penny just said they're having fun.

- 166 Honestly, you want to wrap tape around a bunch of pipe fittings all afternoon?
- 167 Okay, we'll take 'em.
- 168 Okay. But, I swear, if it's Will Smith in Shark Tale 2, it better be at least as good as the original.
- 169 I mean, it's crazy, isn't it?
- 170 I moved here from Nebraska to be an actress, and now I'm sitting in an engineering lab at Caltech helping to build a prototype for a high-tech guidance system.
- 171 It is crazy. It's also crazy that I've made 14 of these and you've made three.
- 172 (knocking)
- 173 Hey. Where are the guys?
- 174 Oh, they went to the store to get solder, which is metal you melt to make science things.
- 175 Since when do you work on weekends?
- 176 I'm an astrophysicist.
- 177 The stars don't take a day off.
- 178 You were home alone and had no one to play with?
- 179 Well, the cleaning lady was there, but she doesn't like me.
- 180 You need any help?
- 181 Not with Lightning McQueen here.
- 182 I think we're good.
- 183 Okay. That's cool.
- 184 I guess everybody's involved in this project but me.
- 185 So... see ya.
- 186 (door shuts)
- 187 I feel bad.
- 188 Should we have asked him to stay?
- 189 Koothrappali (high-pitched): Yes.
- 190 Will you please tell me where we're going?
- 191 Sorry, you're on a need-to-know basis.
- 192 I'm driving the car. I need to know.
- 193 Right.
- 194 So where are we going?
- 195 No, I meant turn right, and you missed it.
- 196 Maybe you do need to know.
- 197 (indistinct chatter)
- 198 What are we gonna tell the girls?
- 199 It's not a problem.
- 200 I mean without lying.
- 201 And now you've made it a problem.
- 202 Come on. We're a couple of smart guys.
- 203 I'm sure we can come up with a way to explain this that doesn't make us look bad.
- 204 (phone chimes)

- 205 Oh!
- 206 The boys had to drive all the way to San Bernardino for the solder and got a flat.
- 207 (phone chimes)
- 208 They bought it.
- 209 But we're gonna have to put the spare on before we go back.
- 210 Oh, you're good at this.
- 211 Well, I lie a lot.
- 212 Man: Hey, guys, thank you for being a part of our test screening. You're about to be one of the first audiences to see Suicide Squad.
- 213 (applause and cheering)
- 214 Hey!
- 215 (laughs) You were right.
- 216 Oh, I keep telling you– good things happen to bad people.
- 217 Uh, we're gonna get started in a couple minutes. Enjoy.
- 218 Who are you texting?
- 219 Raj. He really wants to see this movie.
- 220 Oh, he'll never make it in time.
- 221 I know. I want to make him feel bad.
- 222 "Ha, ha. Leonard and I are about to see Suicide Squad.
- 223 Spoiler alert: when I see you I'm gonna spoil it."
- 224 You're a good friend.
- 225 (chuckles)
- 226 (phone chimes)
- 227 Okay. (clears throat)
- 228 Would you ladies please leave the room for a moment?
- 229 Why?
- 230 I need to rub my genitals on their prototype.
- 231 What's going on?
- 232 Leonard and Howard don't have a flat.
- 233 They went to the movies. Look.
- 234 Son of a bitch. Un-freakin' believable.
- 235 Oh. You know what? I'm gonna let them know that I'm here with you and that they're busted.
- 236 No. You know what? Don't. Don't.
- 237 Let's let them think they're getting away with it.
- 238 Yeah, let's see how deep a hole they can dig for themselves.
- 239 Mm-hmm. Interesting.
- 240 I mean, it's not testicles on a cryostat, but I like it.
- 241 Why do you have a storage unit?
- 242 Just wait.
- 243 How long have you had it?
- 244 Just wait.
- 245 Do you want me to hold that computer?
- 246 Just wai... You know what? Actually, yes, thank you.
- 247 Welcome to my Fortress of Shame.

- 248 I'm sorry.
- 249 What-what am I looking at?
- 250 It's basically everything I've ever owned.
- 251 Um, every book, every T-shirt, every piece of broken electronics.
- 252 Just... all of it.
- 253 All of it?
- 254 I have a Ziploc bag filled with all my old Ziploc bags.
- 255 Okay.
- 256 Well...
- 257 I would like to tell you that there is nothing here to be ashamed of.
- 258 So I'm gonna need a minute.
- 259 All right, how are we gonna play this when they return?
- 260 I know.
- 261 You guys should totally be making out with me.
- 262 Sweetie, I know you think jokes like that are funny, but do you really think you could handle making out with both of us?
- 263 No, ma'am.
- 264 Okay. Okay, how about this?
- 265 They don't know you're here with us, so you hide in the closet. When they show up, we'll hear whatever their dumb story is about where they were, we'll pretend to believe them, and just when they think they got away with it, you jump out.
- 266 Yeah, that's pretty good. I love it!
- 267 I'll be all like, "Busted!"
- 268 And they'll be like, "What?!"
- 269 And then we'll all be like, "Oh, yeah!"
- 270 Yeah, I-I get it.
- 271 I wouldn't make out with me, either.
- 272 In here is every clock radio I've ever owned.
- 273 Calculators, VHS tapes.
- 274 Yeah. Oh.
- 275 Sporting equipment.
- 276 Y-You have sporting equipment?
- 277 Well, oh, it's just a... it's a... a golf ball that my brother threw at my head.
- 278 You can still feel the dent.
- 279 It's right next to the hockey puck dent.
- 280 Okay, why do you have a bin of pinecones?
- 281 I used to collect them as a child.
- 282 The spiral of scales open in the Fibonacci sequence.
- 283 A fact that, when you tell your brother, gets a golf ball thrown at your head.
- 284 So, why do you feel you need to save these things?
- 285 I'd like to say it's nostalgia, but every time I think of throwing anything away, my ears start to ring, and I get butterflies in my stomach.
- 286 And then it feels like the butterflies get eaten by rats, and then, the-the

rats get eaten by...

- 287 Okay.
- 288 I get it. I get it.
- 289 It ends with dinosaurs.
- 290 I'm sorry if you think less of me.
- 291 I don't.
- 292 Really?
- 293 'Cause every time I come in here, I think less of me.
- 294 Why?
- 295 Because I'm a fraud.
- 296 No. I purport to be a man of the mind.
- 297 I've been such a-a vocal champion of The Singularity, but how can I leave my body behind and become one with the Internet when I've never even thrown a toothbrush away?
- 298 It's okay, Sheldon.
- 299 You know, I... I've saved a lot of weird things, too.
- 300 Like what?
- 301 Well, um, did you know I have a microscope slide with a little bit of tissue from the first brain I ever dissected?
- 302 I have an old teddy bear I secretly wiped my nose on for years.
- 303 It's not a contest.
- 304 Okay, here they come. Go hide.
- 305 Oh, man, when I come out of the closet, I'm gonna nail those guys!
- 306 Yeah, I heard it. Shut up.
- 307 Hey.
- 308 Hi.
- 309 Hey, what's this?
- 310 Listen, we did a stupid thing.
- 311 We went to a movie and lied about it, but we feel bad and want to make it up to you.
- 312 So, these are for you, and if you're not too mad, we'd love to take you guys to dinner.
- 313 Wolowitz: Yeah.
- 314 Anywhere you want.
- 315 Oh. Well, thank you for being honest.
- 316 Penny: Yeah. You know, I want to be upset, but we did kind of have fun working on the prototype.
- 317 Koothrappali: Don't forgive them! Stay mad at them!
- 318 What is he doing in there?
- 319 Busting you!
- 320 It's okay. They apologized.
- 321 Yeah, it's fine.
- 322 Well this is kind of anti-climactic.
- 323 You know what wasn't anti-climactic?
- 324 The end of the movie. Get this.
- 325 No spoilers! No spoilers!

- 326 And he's back in the closet.
- 327 Ready for dinner?
- 328 Yeah.
- 329 Should we invite Raj?
- 330 Koothrappali (high-pitched): Yes.
- 331 So, no one else knows about this?
- 332 Only you.
- 333 Thank you for trusting me.
- 334 What good is having a girlfriend if you can't unload your psychological sewage on her?
- 335 That's me, your emotional outhouse.
- 336 You know, if you ever decide you want to do something about this, I'm-I'm here for you.
- 337 Thank you.
- 338 I wouldn't even know how to begin.
- 339 Baby steps, I guess.
- 340  $\mathrm{Mm}.$
- 341 I suppose I could try getting rid of the golf ball.
- 342 Oh. Okay.
- 343 I will always have the dent to remember it by.
- 344 (sighs heavily)
- 345 You did it.
- 346 Do you feel okay?
- 347 Actually, yes.
- 348 I do.
- 349 Well, I'm proud of you.
- 350 Oh. Thanks.
- 351 I'm glad I told you about the storage unit.
- 352 Well, I feel closer to you now.
- 353 Oh, I feel closer to you, too.
- 354 You know, it's still a couple of hours until my bedtime.
- 355 What did you have in mind?
- 356 You look amazing.
- 357 I mean, this resolution is remarkable.
- 358 I really had to go home for this?
- 359 Yes, but it's like you're right here in the room.
- 360 And yet, I'm not.
- 361 But I feel like I could reach out and touch you.
- 362 And yet, you can't.
- 363 I know!

## 1.20 Episode 20: The Big Bear Precipitation

- 1 (birds singing, insects trilling)
- 2 Sheldon: It's nice to get back to nature.
- 3 Why don't I do this more often?

- 4 What a beautiful forest.
- 5 (gasps delightedly)
- 6 Hello, little butterfly.
- 7 What's your Na...
- 8 (screams)
- 9 Whatcha doing?
- 10 I was enjoying some virtual reality, until you ruined it with your actual face.
- 11 What am I smelling?
- 12 Oh, it's car air freshener.
- 13 I was simulating the smell of the forest.
- 14 That's not what the forest smells like.
- 15 Well, how would I know?
- 16 Why are you pretending to be outdoors?
- 17 You hate it.
- 18 Hmm? Oh.
- 19 Amy showed me a compelling study that demonstrated the cognitive benefit of spending time in the wilderness.
- 20 Buddy, I am ready to drive you into the wilderness any time you want and leave you there.
- 21 Well, make your jokes, but some of the participants who spent four days in the woods away from all technology reported a 5022 Okay, if that's true, why aren't there more genius squirrels?
- 23 You may need this more than I do.
- 24 Our whole universe was in a hot, dense state
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- 35 Original Air Date on April 7, 2016
- 36 Here's your tea.
- 37 Oh!
- 38 Do not sneak up on a guy when he's sitting on a log.
- 39 You know, if you really want to be in nature, why don't we rent a cabin?
- 40 Look, I'm sorry, when did you even get here? I...
- 41 You know, there's a cabin in Big Bear that a doctor I work with keeps offering me.
- 42 Because he's hitting on you?
- 43 She.
- 44 Oh, good.

- 45 But I could get her.
- 46 We could all go for the weekend.
- 47 It'll be fun.
- 48 Yeah... (clears throat) Excuse me.
- 49 Here, look up "fun," get back to me.
- 50 You and I could still go and have a nice weekend.
- 51 Sure.
- 52 Come on, Sheldon, let's go with them.
- 53 I hardly think so.
- 54 You be sure and say hello to all the mosquitoes, bees, bears, snakes, possums, poison oak, oh, and last, but not least, teenagers with guitars.
- 55 I'll see if it's available.
- 56 You know, if that study's real, Leonard might come back smarter than you.
- 57 Are you trying to manipulate me?
- 58 Yes.
- 59 Well done, it worked, we're going.
- 60 Yay!
- 61 (bags rustling)
- 62 Bernadette: Come on, Raj, give me a bag.
- 63 No, no, you're pregnant.
- 64 The only thing you carry is our hope for a better tomorrow.
- 65 Hey, where you been?
- 66 Uh, Raj took me to the baby doctor and then we swung by the grocery store.
- 67 (tires screeching on game)
- 68 Did you get graham crackers?
- 69 I mean, are... what... is the baby okay?
- 70 Yes and yes.
- 71 (sighs)
- 72 I didn't know you needed help running errands today.
- 73 I didn't, but Raj volunteered.
- 74 Really?
- 75 Yeah, ever since you told him I was pregnant, he's really been making a fuss over me.
- 76 Oh. Well, I guess that's kind of sweet.
- 77 Bernie, I just forwarded you a list of the top five lactation consultants in Los Angeles.
- 78 I know my favorite, but I'd love to hear what you think.
- 79 And it just got weird.
- 80 Hey. Amy's downstairs.
- 81 Okay, one sec.
- 82 Uh, what-what you got goin' on here?
- 83 I bought a baseball cap.
- 84 I can see that.
- 85 What team did you get?
- 86 Uh, Hufflepuff, from Harry Potter.

- 87 Well, we'll be in the woods.
- 88 I'm ready to go.
- 89 Anything you'd like to say to him?
- 90 Nice hat, Sheldon.
- 91 Thanks.
- 92 Why are you so mean to me?
- 93 (woman screaming in pain)
- 94 (screaming continues)
- 95 What the hell are you watching?
- 96 Raj found all these childbirth videos online.
- 97 This one is of a woman giving birth in a river.
- 98 Okay, that is the least Jewish thing I've ever seen in my life.
- 99 You feel like Raj is getting a little carried away with all the baby stuff?
- 100 I don't think so.
- 101 He just wants to be part of the experience.
- 102 All right, if you say so.
- 103 What's in the box?
- 104 Oh, it's an ultrasonic microphone so we can hear the baby's heartbeat.
- 105 Oh.
- 106 That's cool.
- 107 Can we try it?
- 108 Actually, Raj ordered it.
- 109 He made me promise to wait till he was here.
- 110 So he can be... part of the experience?
- 111 Yeah.
- 112 I'm surprised he let us conceive without him.
- 113 It's a sore spot—don't bring it up.
- 114 It's so cute and rustic up here.
- 115 I know.
- 116 Did you see they still have a video rental place? it's like Colonial Williamsburg.
- 117 Well... cell service is down to one bar, so if anyone needs medical attention or to tell a stranger their political views are stupid, now's the time.
- 118 Have you ever been off the grid before?
- 119 Once.
- 120 The battery ran out on my phone.
- 121 I had to wait for my iPad to turn on.
- 122 I was afraid he was gonna eat me.
- 123 Raj just pulled up.
- 124 I'm gonna say something to him.
- 125 Leave it alone. He means well.
- 126 So you don't think he needs to rein it in a little?
- 127 No, not really.
- 128 And you're not concerned he's acting like somehow this is his kid, too?
- 129 He's just trying to be supportive.
- 130 Just supportive.

- 131 Not over-the-top in any way?
- 132 No.
- 133 Koothrappali: Hello!
- 134 You saw him carrying that.
- 135 Astronauts saw him carrying that.
- 136 (gasps)
- 137 This place is great!
- 138 So nice of that doctor to just let you use it.
- 139 Well, she is taking me to an Indigo Girls concert, so hold that thought.
- 140 Okay.
- 141 Well, should we check each other for ticks?
- 142 Sheldon, all we did was walk in from the car.
- 143 Oh. Well, suit yourself.
- 144 Who wants to check me?
- 145 On the other hand, safety first.
- 146 (rain falling loudly)
- 147 Wow, it's really coming down.
- 148 This sucks.
- 149 And there goes our hike.
- 150 Oh, not our hike!
- 151 Now we have to stay safe and warm.
- 152 You know, we could still go.
- 153 A little rain isn't gonna kill us.
- 154 Have you been outside in the rain with Sheldon?
- 155 No.
- 156 You'll wish it would kill you.
- 157 So what do we do now?
- 158 They have some board games.
- 159 Eh, most of the Jenga pieces are missing and the Scrabble only has seven tiles, so unless you want to build an unimpressive structure with the word "SHN-
- ERPF" next to it, move on.
- 160 Hey, let's light a fire.
- 161 Ooh, that sounds cozy.
- 162 I don't think I've lit a real fire before.
- 163 Ah, it's basic thermodynamics.
- 164 I'm sure we can figure that out.
- 165 I could stack the logs conically to facilitate airflow.
- 166 That would maximize oxygen for optimal combustion.
- 167 (fire whooshes)
- 168 Right. So all we need is to...
- 169 Got it.
- 170 A scientist made that.
- 171 Look, Raj, you're my best friend in the world and I really appreciate your enthusiasm about the baby.
- 172 Please, my pleasure.
- 173 And, of course, Howie and I both want you to be a part of all this.

- 174 But we have to set some boundaries.
- 175 I don't understand.
- 176 The three of us aren't having this baby.
- 177 Just the two of us.
- 178 Oh...
- 179 Okay. Yeah, I get it.
- 180 I'll back off.
- 181 Thanks for understanding.
- 182 Of course.
- 183 I'll give you guys some space.
- 184 Let me just get this out of your way.
- 185 You need some help?
- 186 No, I got it.
- 187 (clattering)
- 188 (grunts)
- 189 Raj... Raj, wait.
- 190 Please, Bernadette.
- 191 Let me leave with my dignity.
- 192 (thumps)
- 193 Hey, you guys want to play a drinking game?
- 194 Oh, well now, we'll never win.
- 195 You always play the drinking game.
- 196 Not the drinking game, a drinking game.
- 197 To be fair, good at both.
- 198 What's the game?
- 199 All right, it's called Never Have I Ever.
- 200 The rules are simple.
- 201 Someone says something they've never done, but if you have done it, you take a drink.
- 202 I've never played that before.
- 203 (stammers) Hey, now, wait.
- 204 Have we started?
- 205 Do I drink?
- 206 What is happening?
- 207 Okay.
- 208 Calm down.
- 209 I'll go first.
- 210 All right, let's see.
- 211 Never have I ever...
- 212 She's trying to think of something she's never done before.
- 213 This could take a while.
- 214 Very funny.
- 215 Okay, never have I ever...
- 216 Yeah, you know what?
- 217 Let's just circle back.
- 218 Okay, I'll go.

- 219 Never have I ever been arrested.
- 220 So I drink.
- 221 No, it's only if you've done it.
- 222 Got it.
- 223 I can't believe you've been arrested.
- 224 I can't believe Penny hasn't.
- 225 Sheldon, what did you do?
- 226 Well, I'm not proud of it, but... I jaywalked.
- 227 Oh, no, it's like a horror movie.
- 228 We're trapped in a cabin with a maniac.
- 229 I'm surprised you would do that.
- 230 No, I crossed in the middle of the street.
- 231 And normally, I wouldn't, but I saw an aggressive-looking Girl Scout, and it was the heart of cookie season.
- 232 Anyway, there was a police officer, and he witnessed the whole thing.
- 233 What- he arrested you for that?
- 234 (stammers) No, he didn't do anything.
- 235 So I said, "You just saw me jaywalk. Why aren't you doing your job?"
- 236 You know?
- 237 "M-Maybe I should arrest you for-for impersonating a police officer."
- 238 And then you got arrested.
- 239 Oh, and how.
- 240 I feel like I just made a horrible mistake.
- 241 Yeah.
- 242 But on the other hand, I didn't kick him out of our lives.
- 243 I just asked him to back off a little.
- 244 Yeah.
- 245 What? Are you gonna cry?
- 246 (crying): Yeah!
- 247 Is it baby hormones or actually sad?
- 248 I can't tell anymore!
- 249 I'll go get him.
- 250 And bring back the bear!
- 251 This game's dangerous.
- 252 I could get you in trouble.
- 253 How?
- 254 Well, never have I ever used Sheldon's toothbrush to clean the sink.
- 255 Fine, is that how you want to play this?
- 256 All right, never have I ever come up with a nickname for my own genitals.
- 257 Never should've told you about Alvin and the Chipmunks.
- 258 Amy: Okay.
- 259 My turn.
- 260 Um...
- 261 Never have I ever completely rocked my girlfriend's world in bed.
- 262 (stammers) Amv...
- 263 You know the rules.

- 264 Drink.
- 265 (clears throat)
- 266 Yeah, go ahead.
- 267 That's right.
- 268 All right, my turn.
- 269 Mm...
- 270 Oh, I know.
- 271 Never have I ever kept a secret bank account, because I think my wife
- can't handle money.
- 272 Did I win?
- 273 I feel like I won.
- 274 I can't believe this.
- 275 You realize I make more money than you?
- 276 I don't, I know, but this isn't a big deal.
- 277 It's just a little savings I put aside.
- 278 We're married.
- 279 We're supposed to share everything.
- 280 What- you mean, like, your massive credit card debt?
- 281 (door slams)
- 282 I'm calling it.
- 283 I won.
- 284 I appreciate the apology, but it's really not necessary.
- 285 I overstepped my bounds.
- 286 No, Raj, you've been great.
- 287 I just, I need to start doing my part around here.
- 288 Bernadette: I hear that.
- 289 Well, if that's the case, is there anything I can do to help?
- 290 Well, not right now.
- 291 But we could try out that microphone you got us, and listen to the baby's heartbeat.
- 292 Really?
- 293 It's okay if I listen with you?!
- 294 Of course.
- 295 Can I squirt the ultrasound jelly on your stomach?
- 296 Hey, look at that.
- 297 It's weird again.
- 298 (door opens)
- 299 Okay, you have every right to be mad.
- 300 And what you said is true.
- 301 You do make more money than me.
- 302 So I had no right to do what I did.
- 303 And I'm so sorry.
- 304 I hope you can forgive me.
- 305 How long have you had this secret account?
- 306 A couple years, but I just put a few bucks aside every month for emergencies.

- 307 Well, how much you got in there?
- 308 6,427.
- 309-47 once my nana's birthday check gets here.
- 310 My God, Leonard, do you know what I could do with that kind of money?
- 311 No, I do, and that's why I hid it.
- 312 What good is it if you don't use it?
- 313 Uh, uh, you have shoes you love, but never wear.
- 314 I have money I love, but never spend.
- 315 We're kind of a cute couple that way.
- 316 Again, I'm sorry.
- 317 I shouldn't have kept it a secret.
- 318 Well, I have a secret I've been keeping from you, too.
- 319 Is it a secret bank account?
- 320 Because that would be awesome.
- 321 I hate my job.
- 322 Really?
- 323 Why?
- 324 Because I don't feel good flirting with doctors for sales.
- 325 I mean, I know I make a lot of money.
- 326 But I haven't been happy for a while.
- 327 Why didn't you tell me?
- 328 Because I know how important it is to you that I'm having some success.
- 329 That's not true.
- 330 Okay, really? So you'd be fine if I went back to acting and waiting tables again?
- 331 If that's what you want to do, yes.
- 332 Well, it's not what I want to do.
- 333 Oh, yes.
- 334 Doesn't matter what I want.
- 335 Look, this job is gonna get me out of debt.
- 336 So I'm gonna do the grown-up thing and see it through.
- 337 Well, that is the grown-up thing.
- 338 I guess.
- 339 I love you.
- 340 I love you, too.
- 341 You know, never have I ever made love in the forest while it was raining.
- 342 Well, guess I gotta drink.
- 343 All right, here we go.
- 344 (microphone droning)
- 345 I'm not hearing anything.
- 346 Well, give me a second.
- 347 Are you sure you can do this?
- 348 Hey, who found four dollars and change on the beach with his metal detector?
- 349 I buried it there, so we could go home.
- 350 (heartbeat echoing, gasps)

- 351 Wait, that's it.
- 352 Wow.
- 353 Isn't that the best?
- 354 You guys made a person.
- 355 We did.
- 356 And I like to think I helped.
- 357 (whispering): You didn't.
- 358 Sheldon: Oh, let me see.
- 359 Oh, um, never have I ever drunk milk past its expiration date.
- 360 Never have I ever cancelled a dentist appointment.
- 361 Oh, uh, never have I ever put my foot in the ocean.
- 362 Never have I ever honked if I liked anything.
- 363 Oh!
- 364 Uh... never have I ever thrown, caught or touched a Frisbee.
- 365 Never have I ever put salt on my food without trying it first.
- 366 Yeah...
- 367 Oh!
- 368 Never have I ever pushed all the buttons in an elevator.
- 369 (gasps)
- 370 Well, we all have a past.

## 1.21 Episode 21: The Viewing Party Combustion

- 1 I have a question about Batman.
- 2 Batman is a man who dresses up like a bat.
- 3 Man-bat is a part man, part bat hybrid.
- 4 Now, if Man-Bat dressed up as a man to fight crime, would he be Man-Batman?
- 5 No. he'd be Bat-Man-Bat.
- 6 But wouldn't Man-Batman just be a Batman that was bitten by a radioactive man?
- 7 But Batman is a man.
- 8 You're talking about a man who would have the powers of a man.
- 9 That's just Man-Man.
- 10 Well, isn't Man-Man just Man?
- 11 But what if Man-Man dressed as a bat?
- 12 Well, that's just Batman.
- 13 No, if a man dresses as a bat, that's Batman, but if Man-Man dresses as a bat, that's Batman-Man.
- 14 (cell phone chimes)
- 15 So does that answer your question?
- 16 Oh, I haven't asked it yet.
- 17 Oh, that's Claire. Got to run.
- 18 I thought you were back with Emily.
- 19 Uh, actually I'm... seeing both of them.
- 20 You mean like through their window from behind a bush?

- 21 No, I'm actually dating two women.
- 22 Later.
- 23 (chuckles) Really?
- 24 The guy who for years couldn't even talk to women is suddenly going out with two of them?
- 25 How is that possible?
- 26 Wolowitz: I know.
- 27 Scientists have tried to reproduce it with computational models, but, in each case, the world blows up.
- 28 Seriously, that guy's dating two women?
- 29 Our whole universe was in a hot, dense state
- 30 Then nearly 14 billion years ago expansion started... Wait!
- 31 The Earth began to cool
- 32 The autotrophs began to drool, Neanderthals developed tools
- 33 We built the Wall
- 34 We built the pyramids
- 35 Math, Science, History, unraveling the mystery
- 36 That all started with a big bang
- 37 Bang!
- 38 The Big Bang Theory 9x21
- 39 The Viewing Party Combustion
- 40 Original Air Date on April 20, 2016
- 41 What, why did you get a party sub?
- 42 People are coming over; it looked fun.
- 43 Well, we're only watching Game of Thrones.
- 44 A party sub implies it's a party.
- 45 Your attendance implies it's not.
- 46 I like a party as much as the next man, as long as the next man doesn't like a party.
- 47 Oh, by the way, don't forget, tomorrow is our quarterly Roommate Agreement meeting.
- 48 Oh, Sheldon, we don't need a meeting every three months.
- 49 Hmm?
- 50 Well, it sounds like the kind of thing one would bring up at a quarterly Roommate Agreement meeting.
- 51 Lucky for you it's tomorrow.
- 52 Oh, you know what?
- 53 I'm not going.
- 54 Well, you have to go.
- 55 It's Penny's first time leading the Pledge of Allegiance.
- 56 This meeting is a waste of time.
- 57 Whether we make the switch from Post Raisin Bran to Kellogg's Raisin Bran should not require parliamentary procedure.
- 58 You realize one of them has sugar on the raisins.
- 59 You're the only one who eats them!
- 60 And yet you get to weigh in.

- 61 Democracy- it's pretty cool, isn't it?
- 62 I'm not going; you can't make me.
- 63 Well, we'll just see about that.
- 64 What is the problem?
- 65 He says he's not coming to the Roommate Agreement meeting tomorrow.
- 66 Well, why the hell did I memorize the Pledge?
- 67 You have fun. I will not be attending.
- 68 Oh, fine. We don't have to have a Roommate Agreement meeting if you don't want to.
- 69 Thank you. Of course, it will require a vote.
- 70 Unfortunately, my official gavel is in my bedroom, but luckily, I have my travel gavel.
- 71 You're being ridiculous.
- 72 There's a motion on the floor, "I'm ridiculous."
- 73 Do we have a second?
- 74 Hmm? Hmm?
- 75 There is no second.
- 76 The motion is denied.
- 77 Next time, make sure you have the votes first.
- 78 That was embarrassing.
- 79 Can you please talk to him?
- 80 Well, why are you fighting him on this?
- 81 Because I am tired of him always getting his way.
- 82 We don't need a stupid meeting.
- 83 We don't even need a Roommate Agreement, and I hope that sandwich does cause a party!
- 84 Well, I will still come to your meeting.
- 85 Well, I should hope so. Tomorrow's picture day.
- 86 Why are you taking his side?
- 87 Because it's important to him, and when we signed the Roommate Agreement, we made a deal.
- 88 Y-You keep talking like that, you're gonna make color guard.
- 89 (video game sound effects over TV)
- 90 Man, I'm worn out.
- 91 I know.
- 92 Imagine if we were actually moving.
- 93 No, it's just, ever since I started dating Claire and Emily at the same time, it's exhausting.
- 94 You're exhausted?
- 95 Try folding every five pages in a pregnancy book so your wife thinks you read it.
- 96 But, dude, you're so lucky.
- 97 Getting to stay home at night with the woman you love.
- 98 I guess I am lucky.
- 99 You are, because dating two women, I mean, I can't even remember the last time I slept in my own apartment.

- 100 I wake up and I'm like, "Am I at Claire's or am I at Emily's?
- 101 Is there a third girl I've forgotten about?"
- 102 Like...
- 103 "Where am I?"
- 104 Hey, Raj.
- 105 Hey, how's the mommy-to-be?
- 106 Good. A little tired.
- 107 I feel you. I've been dating multiple women.
- 108 You sure you don't want to come watch Game of Thrones with us?
- 109 You guys have fun.
- 110 I'm just gonna snuggle up in bed with a book.
- 111 Oh, that sounds great—a bed to yourself.
- 112 Can't even remember what that's like.
- 113 Are you up-to-date on Game of Thrones?
- 114 Mm, I think so.
- 115 Dragons, snow zombies, and all the hot guys are dead.
- 116 Oh, I don't know.
- 117 Theon Greyjoy looks pretty good for a guy who had his genitals cut off.
- 118 (singsongy): Uh-oh, somebody's still pouting.
- 119 Leave me alone.
- 120 If it's because you lost a stick, I know where it went.
- 121 Not funny.
- 122 You know you're gonna make up with him.
- 123 Can we just skip to that part?
- 124 Oh, of course, because I'm the only adult around here.
- 125 Really? The only adult?
- 126 Yeah, that's right.
- 127 Sheldon: You know, excuse me.
- 128 Tonight I'll be watching a show rated M.A., and that stands for "Mature Audiences," buster.
- 129 All right, you would think "the only adult" wouldn't let something silly ruin our entire night.
- 130 And I'd think you'd understand why I'm annoyed.
- 131 All this could be avoided if you'd just come to the meeting.
- 132 I don't want to.
- 133 Oh, it's just a meeting.
- 134 One simple meeting.
- 135 Stop saying "meeting"!
- 136 Meeting, meeting, bo-beeting
- 137 Banana-fana, fo-feeting
- 138 Fee-fi mo-meeting...
- 139 I brought my famous spinach dip.
- 140 Yo, Amy, just one second.
- 141 Meeting.
- 142 I'm not sure if I'm hoping for a boy or a girl.
- 143 I mean, if it's a boy, I'm gonna have to teach him to play catch.

- 144 (chuckles) Which means I'm gonna have to Google "How to play catch."
- 145 If it's a girl, I mean... they're so innocent and... you know how guys are.
- 146 Totally, guys are the worst.
- 147 I mean, look at me.
- 148 I let Emily make me a frittata and I kept the leftovers in Claire's fridge that night.
- 149 I'm such a dog.
- 150 There you go again.
- 151 I'm sorry, have I been complaining about it too much?
- 152 Actually, what you're doing is pretending to complain, but really trying to brag.
- 153 How could you say that?
- 154 (imitates Koothrappali): "Oh, I wish could enjoy a cup of tea without a naked girl bouncing up and down on me."
- 155 I never said that.
- 156 "Don't you hate it when you can't remember whose bra it is you found wedged in your couch?"
- 157 Okay, that I said.
- 158 But that's a real problem!
- 159 You give a girl another woman's bra, and you will not be having s\*x with her that night.
- 160 Maybe the other girl, but not her.
- 161 What's going on with him?
- 162 Oh, he's all bent out of shape about having a Roommate Agreement meeting.
- 163 Apparently, perfect attendance isn't cool anymore.
- 164 Don't worry, he'll come around.
- 165 Well, I get why he's annoyed.
- 166 Well, then you don't understand what's happening.
- 167 See... Leonard refused to participate in a mandatory quarterly Roommate Agreement meeting.
- 168 This is what a generation raised on Bart Simpson looks like.
- 169 You love The Simpsons.
- 170 I love Lisa Simpson.
- 171 Well, I know how he feels.
- 172 I never enjoyed our Relationship Agreement meetings.
- 173 (gasps) Wait.
- 174 You were pretending?
- 175 Sorry.
- 176 No!
- 177 I don't believe you.
- 178 I could tell.
- 179 "Oh, Sheldon, I never thought re-filing a matter in a standing subcommittee could be so fascinating."
- 180 Hmm, what do you think?
- 181 You don't know?

- 182 Hey, did I say something to upset you?
- 183 No, I'm fine.
- 184 Really? Because usually we walk side by side, and I just went up two flights of stairs staring at your bottom.
- 185 Just drop it.
- 186 Okay, I think I see what's happening here.
- 187 You're jealous of me.
- 188 Oh, please.
- 189 What could you possibly have that I would be jealous of?
- 190 It's not what I have, it's how many people I'm having it with.
- 191 Come on, Sheldon, we'll watch Game of Thrones over here.
- 192 Gladly.
- 193 Leonard: Oh, good, go.
- 194 You know, it'll be nice to watch an episode without someone saying, "I read the books. Don't get too fond of this character."
- 195 It's not always because they die.
- 196 In one case, it's because they've become involved with underground tree people from the dawn of time.
- 197 Yeah, but I won't say who it is.
- 198 It's Bran!
- 199 Wait, what is going on?
- 200 Leonard's being a jerk, so we're gonna watch over here, Do you guys want to watch with us?
- 201 As long as I don't have to watch with him.
- 202 Fine, I don't want to watch with you either.
- 203 I'll go over here.
- 204 Why do you get to pick?
- 205 Okay, then you go there!
- 206 Don't tell me where to go!
- 207 Howard, just come in here.
- 208 Yeah, come on, Raj.
- 209 Wait, did Amy make her spinach dip?
- 210 She did.
- 211 And I'm gonna eat it all!
- 212 (door slams)
- 213 So what the hell happened?
- 214 Oh, I just ran out of patience with Sheldon's nonsense.
- 215 Tell me about it. I've had it with Raj, too.
- 216 You know, like women, men have a monthly hormone cycle.
- 217 Dips in testosterone can cause irritability.
- 218 Interesting.
- 219 Maybe my male cycle synced up with Raj's actual period.
- 220 If Sheldon's testosterone dipped, he'd become a butterfly.
- 221 (knocking on door)
- 222 Oh.
- 223 Maybe someone's here to apologize.

- 224 Hey, Leonard.
- 225 Stuart.
- 226 Uh...
- 227 Is this not a dress-up party?
- 228 No.
- 229 Was it ever a dress-up party?
- 230 No.
- 231 Howard, didn't you tell me it was a dress-up party?
- 232 Yeah. (chuckles)
- 233 (knocking on door)
- 234 I was told this is where to go if I'm mad at Howard.
- 235 May I take your cloak?
- 236 Thanks.
- 237 This thing kept getting caught in the chain of my bike.
- 238 Well, I'll catch you up.
- 239 Uh, Penny is angry at Leonard, Leonard's angry at me and Penny, I'm angry at Leonard and Amy, Raj is angry at Howard, and I'm angry at George
- R.R. Martin 'cause there are no new books for me to spoil for Leonard.
- 240 So what happened with you and Howard?
- 241 Says I was talking too much about dating Claire and Emily, and I accused him of being jealous.
- 242 I'm jealous.
- 243 Closest I've come to dating two women was that time I dated one woman.
- 244 I don't know how you put up with it.
- 245 He's impossible. I mean, holding a meeting to decide what breakfast cereal we should buy.
- 246 Yeah. Cap'n Crunch with Crunch Berries, move on.
- 247 Anyway, Amy, thank you for sticking up for me.
- 248 Oh, I honestly couldn't care less.
- 249 Sorry?
- 250 Well, I just took your side 'cause sometimes I get annoyed at how close Sheldon and Penny are.
- 251 Well, they argue all the time.
- 252 They aren't that close.
- 253 Who's always comforting him when he's upset?
- 254 Penny, but...
- 255 Who's the only one who can make him take his medicine when he's sick?
- 256 I try to hide it in his peanut butter, but he spits it out.
- 257 Okav.
- 258 And did you know she has him add things to the Roommate Agreement so she can get her way and not fight with you about it?
- 259 Son of a bitch.
- 260 (laughs)
- 261 Why is that funny?
- 262 I don't know. I like the pain of others.
- 263 (laughs)

- 264 Oh, well, then you'll enjoy this.
- 265 Bernadette does the same thing with you and Koothrappali.
- 266 No, she doesn't.
- 267 She defends him all the time.
- 268 She does not.
- 269 Who told you to stop making all those Gandhi jokes about him?
- 270 Well, she did.
- 271 And human resources.
- 272 Who do you think told Koothrappali to go to human resources?
- 273 Son of a bitch.
- 274 (laughs)
- 275 You're right, it feels good.
- 276 All right, it's almost game time.
- 277 Get it?
- 278 Game of Thrones, game time?
- 279 Two women, huh?
- 280 (Game of Thrones theme playing on TV, knocking on door)
- 281 Oh, perhaps it's Amy coming to her senses.
- 282 (music stops)
- 283 What's up?
- 284 You know, you don't need to use Sheldon to get your way with me in a dumb Roommate Agreement.
- 285 Where'd you get that from?
- 286 From Amy.
- 287 Ugh. Amy, why did you tell him that?
- 288 Because you were defending Sheldon like you always do.
- 289 I don't always defend Sheldon.
- 290 Oh, yes, you do. You know you have a weird brother-sister-Elliott-E.T. relationship with him.
- 291 What about your weird relationship with him?
- 292 That's different.
- 293 I'm like the little girl in Poltergeist and he's the creepy thing in the TV.
- 294 Wolowitz: Um, guys?
- 295 Were there any nuts in that food?
- 296 I don't think so. Why?
- 297 Well... just a feeling. (chuckles)
- 298 It just said "Italian sub."
- 299 I had no idea mortadella has pistachios in it.
- 300 Interesting fact: In Italian, the "morta" in "mortadella" means death.
- 301 Sheldon.
- 302 I didn't say "fun" fact. I'm not a monster.
- 303 He's gonna be okay.
- 304 (all sighing)
- 305 Now it's a fun fact.
- 306 Boy, stuff like this really puts things in perspective.
- 307 Why are you dressed like that?

- 308 Oh, uh, Howard thought it'd be funny to tell me it was a costume party.
- 309 That wasn't nice.
- 310 No, but he almost died, so we're cool.
- 311 You know, if you think about it, to night was kind of like a real-life Game of Thrones.
- 312 How?
- 313 Well, Howard eating that pistachio was like when King Joffrey got poisoned.
- 314 Okay, well, that was murder, this was an accident.
- 315 Okay.
- 316 But you using Sheldon to do your dirty work is like when Cersei used the King's Guard to do her bidding.
- 317 Cersei uses her body to manipulate men.
- 318 Penny just takes me to The LEGO Store.
- 319 Okay. Oh, how about this?
- 320 Stuart's dressed like a brother of the Night's Watch, and they don't have  $\mathbf{s}^*\mathbf{x}.$
- 321 There you go. That's true.
- 322 Fair enough.
- 323 Hey.
- 324 Hey.
- 325 You all right?
- 326 I'm fine.
- 327 Just a little embarrassed I had to be carried down the stairs like a baby.
- 328 Thanks.
- 329 Let's get out of here.
- 330 That was scary.
- 331 Well, the important thing is I said that big sandwich would ruin everything, and I was right.
- 332 Koothrappali: Hey, Jon Snow!
- 333 How come your horse has a basket on it?
- 334 How come your head has your face on it?
- 335 They don't wear bicycle helmets in Game of Thrones.
- 336 You're thematically inaccurate, but I applaud your commitment to safety.
- 337 Don't you guys have anything better to do?
- 338 Better than watching a guy in a fur cloak ride a girl's bike? Nope.
- 339 That's it, you just lost bathroom privileges at the comic book store.
- 340 (muttering): Horse has a basket on it. Stupid...
- 341 (screams, grunts)
- 342 (knocks)
- 343 Sheldon: Leonard.
- 344 (knocks) Leonard. (knocks) Leonard.
- 345 What?
- 346 I never got to ask my question about Batman.
- 347 What is it?
- 348 If Batman were bitten by a radioactive Man-Bat, and then fought crime

disguised as Man-Bat, would he be Man-Bat-Man-Bat-Man or simply Man-Bat-Man-Bat-Batman?

349 - Is he still wearing the Batman suit under the Man-Bat suit?

350 - I'll be back.

## 1.22 Episode 22: The Fermentation Bifurcation

- 1 Oh, hey, if you guys are free this weekend, I won a night of wine tasting from work.
- 2 That sounds fun. Mm-hmm.
- 3 How come scientists don't win free stuff like salespeople do?
- 4 'Cause we're not in it for the stuff.
- 5 We're in it for the groupies.
- 6 Sheldon: Personally, I find the notion of external rewards demeaning.
- 7 I pursue science for the intrinsic joy of discovery.
- 8 But you always say that you want to win a Nobel Prize.
- 9 I also say don't contradict me in front of my friends, but that you don't remember.
- 10 All right, well, let me know if you guys want to go.
- 11 I would love to.
- 12 I do enjoy the complexity of an aged Pinot noir.
- 13 I'm sure that would pair nicely with your fried nuggets of chicken.
- 14 Well, it sounds like a nice night. We should go.
- 15 Wine again?
- 16 Yeah, no, thank you.
- 17 I like my grapes the old-fashioned way: in a juice box.
- 18 Well, I'm going.
- 19 You couldn't stop me from getting a massage at the mall, and you're not stopping me now.
- 20 I shouldn't have to see my girlfriend get groped in public by another man.
- 21 And I shouldn't have to see my boyfriend riding on a train for children around the mall.
- 22 The little choo-choo for toddlers?
- 23 And now you know why I needed the massage.
- 24 Well, we're out.
- 25 Bernie can't drink 'cause she's pregnant.
- 26 And she's pregnant because we had s\*x.
- 27 And we had s\*x because...
- 28 (laughs): well, come on.
- 29 It's okay. You should go.
- 30 You sure?
- 31 Of course.
- 32 Yeah, give her a break from, "Well, come on."
- 33 Well, Bernadette, looks like Saturday night, it's you and me.
- 34 Me? How? Why?
- 35 Well, it makes perfect sense.

- 36 Because you're an expectant mother, you can't drink alcohol.
- 37 I don't like to.
- 38 You can't have sushi.
- 39 I don't like to.
- 40 You can't go in hot tubs.
- 41 I consider them vats of sweaty people soup.
- 42 Gee, Sheldon, I don't know.
- 43 Oh, come on.
- 44 Roller coasters, caffeine, runny eggs-
- 45 I've been avoiding these things all my life.
- 46 And now, because you're pregnant, you have to.
- 47 The difference is she's bringing life into the world, and you suck it out.
- 48 I guess we could give it a try.
- 49 Well, little lady, you've heard of party hearty; get ready to party hardly.
- 50 I bet you'd like a drink right now.
- 51 Our whole universe was in a hot, dense state
- 52 Then nearly 14 billion years ago expansion started... Wait!
- 53 The Earth began to cool
- 54 The autotrophs began to drool, Neanderthals developed tools
- 55 We built the Wall
- 56 We built the pyramids
- 57 Math, Science, History, unraveling the mystery
- 58 That all started with a big bang
- 59 Bang!
- 60 The Big Bang Theory 9x22
- 61 The Fermentation Bifurcation
- 62 Original Air Date on April 28, 2016
- 63 Hey, you think it'd be okay if I brought Claire to the wine tasting?
- 64 Sure. I'd like to meet her.
- 65 Oh, that's great.
- 66 I've been wanting her to meet you guys, too, so this seems like the perfect opportunity.
- 67 Oh, but I won't be there.
- 68 Funny how that worked out.
- 69 Does this mean Emily's not in the picture anymore?
- 70 No, I'm still dating her.
- 71 Okay, help me out.
- 72 How are you doing this?
- 73 Do they know about each other?
- 74 They know that we're not exclusive, and we just don't ask too many questions.
- 75 You know, it's like how I play Warlords of Ka'a with you and Elder Sign with Frank and Alicia.
- 76 Who's Frank and Alicia?
- 77 Y... You and I spend a lot of time together.
- 78 Can there be a little mystery between us?

- 79 Wolowitz: Okay.
- 80 Everything's hooked up. We're ready.
- 81 I am going to record this for posterity.
- 82 All right, here goes nothing.
- 83 Here goes nothing?
- 84 This is the initial test of our prototype.
- 85 Can we give it a little more gravitas?
- 86 Leonard: Fine.
- 87 Preliminary trial of the infinite persistence gyroscopic navigational system: phase one commencing.
- 88 Eh... maybe it's your voice.
- 89 I'm gonna see if I can get James Earl Jones to do it in post.
- 90 (chuckles)
- 91 Ooh.
- 92 Wow.
- 93 It's... it's-it's beautiful.
- 94 Actually, it's making me dizzy.
- 95 Good, it's not just me. (chuckles)
- 96 Claire: Hello.
- 97 Hey, Claire.
- 98 Hey, what's up?
- 99 Hi, veah.
- 100 Um, I was wondering, if you're free Saturday night, all my friends are going to a wine tasting.
- 101 Sure, I guess.
- 102 If you don't think meeting your friends is too big a step.
- 103 Why would it be too big a step?
- 104 I don't know. I just don't want things to get weird.
- 105 Nothing to worry about.
- 106 People meet people all the time, and it isn't weird.
- 107 I met Bon Jovi once, which you'd think might be weird.
- 108 Turns out, total sweetheart.
- 109 Okay, but you and I have been keeping things casual.
- 110 Uh, will you introduce me as your friend or as your girlfriend?
- 111 What if I like them and they don't like me?
- 112 What if they like me and I don't like them?
- 113 Boy, it wasn't this hard with Bon Jovi.
- 114 I said, "You rock," he said, "Thanks, man," and that was that.
- 115 (sniffs)
- 116 Hey, you ready to go?
- 117 Hang on. What are you doing?
- 118 Oh, I found a scratch-and-sniff book about wine tasting.
- 119 It teaches the different flavor notes to look for.
- 120 You actually smell the wine?
- 121 I mostly just smell my nasal spray.
- 122 Are your sinuses acting up?

- 123 Since my preschool got a bunny.
- 124 Hey, are you still hanging out with Bernadette tonight?
- 125 Yes.
- 126 And we're going to prove that we don't need alcohol to enjoy ourselves.
- 127 Oh, good for you.
- 128 Or caffeine, tobacco, sushi, soft cheese, processed meats and Jacuzzis, which can all be harmful to an unborn baby.
- 129 No HoneyBaked Ham in a hot tub- got it.
- 130 Oh, no bubble baths either.
- 131 They can increase the risk of a urinary tract infection.
- 132 Okay, have fun.
- 133 Oh, and no swordfish, king mackerel, shark or tilefish, which are all high in mercury.
- 134 We're leaving now!
- 135 Oh, and no contact with guinea pigs or hamsters or their droppings, uh, no-no cat litter boxes, no paint fumes...
- 136 Okay, we're leaving, love you, bye!
- 137 Boy, do I love restrictions.
- 138 Hey.
- 139 Where is everybody?
- 140 Oh, we're the first ones here.
- 141 Oh.
- 142 Cool.
- 143 Yeah.
- 144 Cool.
- 145 (mellow jazz music playing)
- 146 You know, I don't remember the last time it was just you and me hanging out.
- 147 Oh, I do. It was three years ago.
- 148 Oh, yeah, and we said we should do it more often.
- 149 (chuckles): And-and here we are.
- 150 So, Sheldon and Bernadette are hanging out.
- 151 I know. What are they gonna talk about?
- 152 (laughs)
- 153 I don't know. I really don't know.
- 154 Hey.
- 155 Oh, good! Oh, thank God!
- 156 You guys been here long?
- 157 No, two minutes.
- 158 But yes.
- 159 Where's Claire?
- 160 Oh, she's meeting us here.
- 161 Hey, guys, do me a favor and don't ask too many questions about the relationship.
- 162 We're just keeping it casual.
- 163 Oh, so I shouldn't ask her how she feels about being a member of your

#### harem?

- 164 Yeah, I know you're teasing, but watch out for karma.
- 165 Hey, Penny, isn't that your old boyfriend Zack?
- 166 Oh, yeah.
- 167 Are you gonna say hi to him?
- 168 Uh, I don't know.
- 169 Hey, while you decide, who was better in bed: big hot Zack or wheezy
- little Leonard?
- 170 Neener neener.
- 171 I brought sparkling cider.
- 172 Oh... the bubbles tickle my nose.
- 173 I'll just open this now so it can get nice and flat before we drink it.
- 174 So what do you want to do tonight?
- 175 Oh, I have quite the evening planned.
- 176 Our fetus-friendly festival of fun begins with an in-depth look at the world of model trains, and then we'll kick things up a notch and explore all the different ways that you can make toast.
- 177 There's more than one?
- 178 You've heard of French toast?
- 179 Yeah.
- 180 Cinnamon toast?
- 181 Yeah.
- 182 Melba toast?
- 183 Yeah.
- 184 You get where I'm going here?
- 185 Yeah.
- 186 I'm getting an earthy note.
- 187 Ah, there's definitely some oak.
- 188 Also, uh, cherries?
- 189 I smell nothing.
- 190 Really? Nothing?
- 191 Just a... whole lot of Afrin.
- 192 Penny?
- 193 Oh. Zack, hi!
- 194 You guys remember Zack.
- 195 Yeah, hey, buddy.
- 196 Hello.
- 197 Hey.
- 198 Hey, did you two get married?
- 199 We did.
- 200 Yeah, mm-hmm.
- 201 To each other?
- 202 Yes. (chuckles)
- 203 Cool. 'Cause other than when you broke up with him and dated me, then broke up with me, and then dated me one more time before going back to him, I was always rooting for you two.

- 204 Thanks.
- 205 So how's the science world?
- 206 What are you guys up to?
- 207 W-We've actually been working on a prototype for a navigation system we invented.
- 208 But we won't bore you with the details.
- 209 Are you kidding? I love science.
- 210 Einstein, Stephen Hawking, Mike deGrasse Tyson.
- 211 Mike deGrasse Tyson?
- 212 Yeah, you know, the boxer who grew a mustache and became a scientist.
- 213 So what's your invention?
- 214 Well, we're using quantum vortices to replace gyroscopes in guidance systems.
- 215 What's neat is that they can maintain angular momentum indefinitely.
- 216 Angular momentum.
- 217 I was wondering about that.
- 218 You could put it in a satellite or a rocket, and it'll run forever.
- 219 Cool.
- 220 Could it be used for missiles and war stuff?
- 221 Yeah, but we didn't create it for weapons.
- 222 And I doubt the military would be interested in our little guidance system.
- 223 Is it better than the one they use now?
- 224 A lot! Way better.
- 225 Huh.
- 226 You sure you guys are smart?
- 227 "H-O" gauge trains are 1/87 scale.
- 228 "N" gauge are 1/160 scale. And that brings us to "Z" gauge, at a "you could easily swallow it, don't ask how I know," 1/220.
- 229 I'm sorry, I have to ask.
- 230 When I was five, I ingested a "Z" gauge locomotive. I spent the next three days saying, "I think I can pass it, I think I can pass it."
- 231 What is it about trains that you like so much?
- 232 What an interesting question.
- 233 When I was a child, life was confusing and chaotic for me, and trains represented order.
- 234 I could line them up, categorize them, control them.
- 235 I guess you could say that they gave me a sense of calm in a world that didn't.
- 236 That's lovely, Sheldon.
- 237 Well... other than when they're chugging through your bowels, these things are magic.
- 238 I have to admit, I've been worried about the military applications since we started talking about this.
- 239 Me, too.
- 240 Why didn't you say something?
- 241 Same reason I don't talk about ass cancer.

- 242 It's not a pleasant topic.
- 243 You can't let this stop you.
- 244 Almost any scientific advancement can be used for destructive purposes.
- 245 It's true. Even Einstein's theory of relativity was later applied to the development of nuclear weapons.
- 246 E equals MC squared.
- 247 Yeah.
- 248 "E" is for energy, "M" for mass, and "C" for the speed of light.
- 249 (clicks tongue)
- 250 How do you know that?
- 251 Oh, Leonard mumbles it when he wants s\*x to last longer.
- 252 Hey, Raj.
- 253 Hey, Claire.
- 254 Good, you're here.
- 255 Guys, this is my friend Claire. We're casually dating, and there's no need for any further questions about it.
- 256 Would you like a glass of wine?
- 257 I said no questions!
- 258 Sheldon: And last but not least, this is one that I like to call Star Wars Toast because... it has a light side and a dark side.
- 259 All righty, it's time for Dungeons Dragons!
- 260 Dungeons Dragons.
- 261 That sounds about right.
- 262 You're gonna enjoy this.
- 263 I designed it especially for you.
- 264 Okay, but just for a little bit.
- 265 Oh, I have a feeling that once you start, you're not gonna want to or be allowed to stop.
- 266 All right.
- 267 Ready?
- 268 You bet.
- 269 Your name is Bernatrix.
- 270 You are a warrior queen.
- 271 You're strong, beautiful and tall.
- 272 Oh. I like the idea of being tall.
- 273 I think you're gonna like a lot of things I have in store.
- 274 For example, in this world, only the men get pregnant, so your husband is home trying not to pee when he laughs.
- 275 This is getting fun. What's next?
- 276 You're parched and weary from battle.
- 277 You stand in front of a tavern that serves the coldest, most delicious ale in all the realm.
- 278 Oh, I haven't had a drink in months.
- 279 What do you do?
- 280 I storm in, slam my sword down, and say, "Barkeep, bring me the strongest ale you have and serve it in the skull of a goblin!"

- 281 He wants to see I.D.
- 282 So, Claire, we've heard so many wonderful things about you.
- 283 Really? Like what?
- 284 Uh, mostly Penny's heard them.
- 285 Boy, you get some dirty looks over there when you ask for ice.
- 286 Zack, this is my friend Claire.
- 287 You're hot. You seeing anybody?
- 288 Uh, she's seeing me.
- 289 Why'd you say she's your friend?
- 290 We're just keeping it casual.
- 291 Why is he being casual with you? You seem great.
- 292 I don't know. Ask him.
- 293 Why are you being casual with her? She seems great.
- 294 Maybe we should take a step back.
- 295 Take a step back?
- 296 I'm not a young man anymore.
- 297 No, I mean reevaluate what we're doing with the guidance system.
- 298 But (chuckles) I got a baby on the way.
- 299 I got to make some money.
- 300 What good is money gonna do if we inadvertently bring about Armageddon?
- 301 Okay, let me stop you right there.
- 302 We absolutely know our invention will not be used to destroy the world.
- 303 How?
- 304 Because no one from the future has come back to kill us.
- 305 Very funny.
- 306 You got something better?
- 307 Well, not really.
- 308 Okay, then.
- 309 (toilet flushes)
- 310 Geez, how much wine did you drink?
- 311 Not a lot. I just couldn't start until you walked away.
- 312 The Hell Prawn lunges out of the hot spring!
- 313 (die clinks)
- 314 You block it with your shield.
- 315 Do you attack?
- 316 Does it have eyes?
- 317 Three giant red ones and they never blink.
- 318 It's unsettling.
- 319 I stab it in the middle eye!
- 320 (die clinks)
- 321 Good choice!
- 322 Critical hit! Your sword goes through its eye into its tiny brain.
- 323 With its final dying gasp, it says, (high-pitched voice): "You have reduced me to a pile of sushi. Enjoy me with this packet of soy sauce. It's low sodium." (groans)

- 324 Okay, I guess I should eat the Hell Prawn.
- 325 Using your sword, you prepare a beautiful sushi dinner.
- 326 You slip into the hot spring and enjoy the warm water on your aching joints.
- 327 As you happily close your eyes, you recall the incredible evening you've had and notice that your... (die clinks) ...feet and ankles are smaller than they've ever been.
- 328 The end.
- 329 Wow, this night turned out to be so much more fun than I thought.
- 330 Oh, the fun doesn't stop.
- 331 You're still going home with a goodie bag full of toast.
- 332 Thank you for this.
- 333 You know, ever since people found out I'm having a baby, I feel like I became Pregnant Bernadette.
- 334 It was nice to take a little break tonight.
- 335 I can understand that.
- 336 From the moment people realized I was a genius, I've been Sheldon the Genius.
- 337 Although I've never really wanted a break from that, so I suppose I don't understand.
- 338 Which is ironic 'cause, you know, genius.
- 339 (chuckles)
- 340 Well, thanks again.
- 341 You're welcome.
- 342 And any time you need a break from being Bernadette the Pregnant, Bernatrix the Warrior Queen is here waiting.
- 343 I might just take you up on that.
- 344 Well, mind you now, that offer's only good until the third trimester.
- 345 I can't risk getting amniotic fluid on my spot.
- 346 Hey, dude, you're killing me with Claire.
- 347 What are you talking about?
- 348 (scoffs) I mean, come on, look at you.
- 349 You're classically handsome, you've got a swimmer's body.
- 350 Next to you, I look like me.
- 351 Oh, man, I didn't mean to do that.
- 352 But I do appreciate you recognizing my swimmer's body.
- 353 Which, incidentally, I got from playing Marco Polo at the YMCA.
- 354 Yeah, okay, just... do me a favor and stop talking about how great Claire is.
- 355 Anything for you, my little foreign friend.
- 356 So, I got to ask, does Raj bring around other girls?
- 357 Uh, you know, I-I'm not really around that much.
- 358 Amy knows much more than I do.
- 359 I don't think you have anything to worry about.
- 360 Raj is a terrific guy, loyal to a fault.
- 361 Yeah. He still has an AOL address.

- 362 I see what you're saying.
- 363 She's not so great.
- 364 Don't listen to him.
- 365 He says crazy things all the time.
- 366 Uh, watch. Marco.
- 367 Polo!
- 368 So, uh, what are you guys talking about?
- 369 Your friends were just telling me about all the other girls you're dating.
- 370 Why would you do that?
- 371 I specifically asked you not to do that.
- 372 We didn't.
- 373 You just did.
- 374 Wow. Maybe none of you guys are smart.
- 375 Morning.
- 376 Morning.
- 377 Ugh. Too much wine.
- 378 Oh, I overdid it myself last night.
- 379 Hair of the dog.
- 380 Hey, did you ever think about the military applications for the guidance system?
- 381 Of course.
- 382 Does it bother you?
- 383 No, it did at first, but then I talked it through with Frank and Alicia, and... they really helped put things into perspective.
- 384 Who are these people?
- 385 Leonard, friends are like toilet paper.
- 386 It's good to have extras under the sink.

#### 1.23 Episode 23: The Line Substitution Solution

- 1 Helium.
- 2 Yes. Yes.
- 3 Taylor Swift.
- 4 Yes.
- 5 Pi.
- 6 Yes.
- 7 Kardashian.
- 8 More specific.
- 9 Khloe?
- 10 Yes!
- 11 See, I remembered because if it looks like Kim it's Kim, if it looks kind of like Kim it's Kourtney, and if it looks nothing like Kim it's Khloe.
- 12 Oh.
- 13 Oh, that's a Venn Diagram, and I remember because I thought to myself, "Venn is he gonna stop talking about this diagram?"
- 14 What are you guys doing?

- 15 Oh, well, we decided to use our breakfast time to expand our respective knowledge bases.
- 16 Oh, let me try.
- 17 Okav.
- 18 Hmm, atom of hydrogen, Adam of Maroon 5, mic drop.
- 19 I'm sorry, who is Mike Drop?
- 20 (chuckles)
- 21 Oh, hey, Penny, do you want to go to the airport with me later to pick up my mother?
- 22 Sure.
- 23 Thanks.
- 24 No problem.
- 25 Hey, Penny, um, since you're already gonna be at the airport, do I need to go?
- 26 Why don't you want to get your mother from the airport?
- 27 Well, I can do without the 40-minute car ride where she criticizes every aspect of my life.
- 28 She can cover it in a car ride?
- 29 I could do 40 minutes on your posture alone.
- 30 You really want me to pick up your mother all by myself?
- 31 Hmm, I just feel like it would be a good chance for you to bond.
- 32 Or a way for you to avoid her?
- 33 I don't know what he's putting on those cards, but you are smarter than ever.
- 34 Fine, if you really want me to, I will pick your mom up.
- 35 Seriously?
- 36 Yeah, you know what, she is my mother-in-law, and I'd like for us to have a good relationship.
- 37 That is very mature of you, so I'm gonna go ahead and say, "Suckah."
- 38 All right, back to learning.
- 39 Okay.
- 40 (clears throat)
- 41 Oh, easy, Bill Nye the Science Guy.
- 42 Or as I know him...
- 43 "Creepy old dude from Dancing with the Stars."
- 44 Ding, ding, ding, ding, ding!
- 45 Our whole universe was in a hot, dense state
- 46 Then nearly 14 billion years ago expansion started... Wait!
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- 53 Bang!
- 54 The Big Bang Theory  $9\mathrm{x}23$

- 55 The Line Substitution Solution
- 56 Original air date on May 5, 2016
- 57 Did you guys see there's an Avengers screening?
- 58 Joss Whedon's gonna show some deleted scenes and do a question and answer session.
- 59 Oh, well, I have a few questions for him about the last Avengers movie... and a whole lot of answers.
- 60 When's the screening?
- 61 Uh, it's tonight, but it's first-come, first-served, so we should probably get there early and wait in line.
- 62 Let's do it. (chuckles)
- 63 Penny's busy with my mother, so I'm in.
- 64 Oh, bad news.
- 65 Amy's making me go shopping with her later, so looks like none of us can go.
- 66 You do realize we're allowed to have fun without you?
- 67 In fact, that's usually the trick to it.
- 68 What time do we need to get there?
- 69 Uh, I'd say by 3:00.
- 70 You're really going without me?
- 71 It's not a big deal.
- 72 Go shopping with Amy, and we'll save a spot in line for you.
- 73 You don't have the authority to save places in the line.
- 74 If I do that, I'll be cutting.
- 75 People do it all the time.
- 76 You know the golden rule of line etiquette: "No cuts, no buts, no coconuts."
- 77 If you really care that much, there are apps now that'll let you hire people
- to do stuff like errands and wait in lines.
- 78 People are actually waiting in lines as a job?
- 79 Boy, makes me feel better about my life.
- 80 Some of these guys make over 20anhour.
- 81 Andnow I feelworse again.
- 82-I'mnot surprised Leonard chose to avoid picking meup.
- 83 He's battle dintimacy is sue shiswhole life.
- 84-Doeshehave difficulty maintaining erections?
- 85 Wow.(clearsthroat)
- 86 Didn't even make it out of the parking lot.
- 87-Uh, youknow what, enough about Leonard.
- 88 Let'stalkaboutyou.
- 89 What would you like to do while you're here?
- 90 Dear, I'mapsychiatrist.
- 91-Youdon't have to avoid having in timate conversations with me.
- 92-Well, I'd actually like for us to be close, but may be we start with our favor it ebooks and work our way up to my husb xorgans.
- 93 Verywell.
- 94 What's the last bookyour ead?

- 95-Um, does Pottery Barn, Spring count?
- 96-Penny, it's only natural towanty our mother-in-law to like you, and I acknowledge I can be an intimidating permitted by the property of t
- 97 Sowhat can I do tomake this processes ier for you?
- 98-Uh, for starters, may be you cannot psychoanaly zeeverything Isay?
- 99 Andhow does it makeyou feel when I psychoanalyze everything you say?
- 100 Uncomfortable.
- 101-That was a joke, dear.
- 102 Oh.Sorry.
- 103 (chuckles) Didn't knowyou made those.
- 104 Hey, listen, what if we have a little mother in law daughter in law daughter in law law

#### law dinner to night?

- 105 Sojust the two of us?
- $106-Or Invite a few girl friends, 'cause hearing you say \verb|\| the two of us" just sent a chillright down myspine.$
- 107 (cardooropens)
- 108 Hey.
- 109 What are you do in ghere?
- 110 You'renot Sheldon.
- 111-Ithought that might comeup.
- 112-Sheld on hired metogosh opping with you.
- 113 Holdon.
- 114-He paid yout og et out of spending time with me?
- 115 No, it's not like that.
- 116-There's along line he'drather stand in.
- 117 Sowhatare we doing? Old Navy, Build A Bear?
- 118 Iget paid either way.
- 119 We're not going shopping together.
- 120-Yousure?I'mhappytoholdyourbag.
- 121 And Sheldong ave memoney for a hot dog on a stick.
- 122-Canyou understand why I might be annoyed right now?
- 123 (chuckles) Look, lady, I just workhere.
- 124-We've waited in a lot of line stogether, haven't we?
- 125-Remember when we camped out for the Doctor Whop an elat Comic-Con?
- 126-Yeah, sleepingunder the stars with other fans who love the show as much as we do.
- 127-Wakingup, wondering which one of those fanss to leour wallets.
- 128 Sheldon: Stuart, what are you do in ghere?
- 129-Sheldon, you are the most inconsider a tepers on I have ever met in my entire life!
- 130-Where doyouge toff sending metoshop with your girl friend?!
- 131-Idon't under stand.
- 132-Youwere happy to do this when I hiredyou.
- 133 Why why are young set with menow?
- 134-Oh, I'm not up set with you, but Amy's pretty bent out of shape, so she hired metolety ou have it.
- 135-Well, Isuppose turn about is fairplay.
- 136 You're darn right it's fairplay, you self is hjerk!
- 137-Youknow, just when I think we're making progress in our relationship, we revert to our old patterns where those of the progression of the pr
- 138-Imean, if hedidn't want to go shopping with me, why didn't he just sayso?
- 139-May be he could n't get a word in edge wise.

- 140 I'msorry, I've been going on and on.
- 141 Oh, it's all right, dear.
- 142-Sheld on has a brilliant and complicated mind.
- 143-It's understandable that being in a relationship with him could be trying.
- $144 Icalledhim \setminus babe$ " once.
- 145-Heasked metogeta drugtest.
- 146-Well, Idoadmireyour resolve.
- 147-You're an extra ordinary woman.
- 148-Thankyou.
- 149 Youknow, she's mymother in law.
- 150-Why can't I bond with her like that?
- 151 Amy's with Sheldon who she loves like as on.
- 152-You're with her son... who she doesn't.
- 153 Doyourealize it took me five year stoget a massage from him?
- 154 Oh, well, that still could be a big step for Sheldon.
- 155-Three minutes.
- 156-Andheusedakitchentimer.
- 157-If elt like as of t-boile degg.
- 158-You know, being in a relationship with Leonard also comes with its challenges.
- 159 Yes.
- 160 Well, what can you do?
- 161 (knockingondoor)
- 162 Maybeit's Sheldon, here to say he's sorry.
- 163 Sheldonsayshe's sorry.
- 164-Bernadette, I'll givey ou five dollar stoslam the door.
- 165 I would have done it for three.
- 166 Boy, all this standing's making metired.
- 167-Goodthing I brought my collapsible stick chair.
- 168-Not the stick chair.
- 169-Youlook like an idio ton that thing.
- 170 Sticks and stones may break my bones, but chairs on sticks are comfy.
- 171 Hey.
- 172 Hey.
- 173 Is everything smoothed out with Amy?
- 174 Uh, no, she's still prettymad.
- 175-Didyoumake the a pology as since reas I would have?
- 176 Isaid, \Sheldonsayshe'ssorry."
- 177 Oh, well, that's laying it on a little thick.
- 178 Youthinkit's timeyou a pologize to hery ourself?
- 179 (sighs) I supposeso.
- 180 ButifIge tout of the line, I'll lose my spot.
- 181-I'm happy to hold your placetilly ouget back.
- 182 Youwould do that?
- 183-Consideritmy way of getting more of your money.
- 184 You'reagoodman.
- 185-So, Beverly, didyouknow Pennyisthenumber three sales repatour pharmaceutical company?

- 186-Oh, Ididn't realize yout wo work together.
- 187 Well, we don't exactly.
- 188-I'm amicrobiologist for the research team.
- 189 Oh, what are you currently developing?
- 190-Some exciting new anti-anxiety drugs.
- 191 That's interesting.
- 192-Ijust attended a lecture on pedia tricanxiety.
- 193 Oh, wasit, uh, Dr. Jenofski?
- 194 IjustsawhisTEDTalk!
- 195 Beverly: It was.
- 196-Let's getback to Penny.
- 197 Hey, weren't yout elling mesomething great about your company car?
- 198 Um...
- 199 (clearsherthroat)
- 200-Ithas seatwarmers.
- 201 (knocking atdoor)
- 202 Sheldon : Amy!Amy!Amy!
- 203 Comein.
- 204 Hello, everyone.
- 205 Oh, Beverly, goodtoseeyou!
- 206-I'd love to chat, but the re's a line that could start moving any minute, so let's doth is.
- 207 Amy?
- 208-A proper a pology requires three steps.
- 209-Stepone--an admission of wrong doing.
- 210 Amy, Iwaswrong.
- 211-Steptwo--a promise never to repeat said action.
- 212-Amy, that action will never be repeated, and that 's a promise.
- 213-Step three--an earn est request for for giveness.
- 214 Amy, Ihopeyoucan for give me.
- 215-And I hopeyoud oitright now, 'cause there's an Uberwaiting downstairs, and I don't want to repeat this apology of the contraction of the con
- 216 Fine.
- 217 Oh, thanks! You'reapeach!
- 218-Beverly, we'll catchup soon.
- 219-Berna dette, it was a pleasure as always, Penny, you have spin a chinyour teeth.
- 220 (doorcloses)
- 221-Howlong have I had spin a chinmy teeth?
- 222-Since the airport, dear.
- 223-Youlook like you come with a kick stand.
- 224 Youcan't make mef eel bad.
- 225 Hmm, maybenot. Leonard?
- 226 So, when the aliens brought you back, they just left the probe in?
- 227 I'mback.
- 228 Hey, how'ditgo?
- 229-It went well.
- 230-Yeah, I've learned that if you never say you're sorry, the time syou do really puts the month eirheels.
- 231-Uh, Stuart, Irelieveyou of your line duties.

- 232 Anyone else need anything before Igo?
- 233-I'll giveyou adollar if makefun of Raj.
- 234 That's mean.
- 235 Five.
- 236-Youlook like Tigger if Tigger looked like a jackass.
- 237-Uh, if you ever need are ference or anything, just let meknow.
- 238 Hey, guys.
- 239-Woman: Youmade it.
- 240 Didyouse ethat?
- 241 Hejustcuttheline.
- 242 He's just joining his friends; it's fine.
- 243 (stammers)No, it's not fine.
- 244-It is a breach of line etiquette.
- 245 We're near the front of the line.
- 246 We'll get in either way.
- 247 What if every person in front of us lets some one cut?
- 248-We'd still get in.
- 249-What if each of those people let some one cut?
- 250 Still getin.
- 251-But the neach of those people let some one cut?
- 252-We'dstillgetin, but first I'dhityouover the head with his stick chair.
- 253 Excuseme.
- 254 Oh, pleasedon't.
- 255-Uh, uh, I couldn't help but notice that you cut the line.
- 256 Oh, uh, I'm with my friends.
- 257 It's cool.
- 258 Well, no.
- 259 It's not cool.
- 260-If the rewere reserved seating, and we all had tickets, that would be fine.
- 261-But this line is first-come, first-served.
- $262 Not \setminus showuptardy and nevertheless be first served$ ".
- 263 Righthere.
- 264 No.
- 265-Youneed to go to the back of the line.
- 266 (scoffs)Uh, whomadeyoulinemonitor?
- 267-Mrs. Wunch infourth grade.
- $268 Andmysloganwas \land a line that's straight is a line that's great"$
- 269 Isthisguy for real?
- 270 Boy, IwishIcould sayno.
- 271-That was very nice of Sheld on to a pologize.
- 272 Well, he's come along way.
- 273-Orashort way very slowly, so it feels like along way.
- 274-Your relationship with him is fascinating.
- 275-I'mpreparing towrite abook on high-achieving couples, and I would love to interview the both of you.
- 276 Oh, sure.
- 277-I'll-I'll talk to Sheld on about it.

- 278-You know, Berna dette's husband is a former astronaut.
- 279 Really?
- 280-Doyouthink he would be interested in being interviewed as well?
- 281 DoIthinkhe'dbeinterested?
- 282-Sometimes I hear himpretending to be interviewed when he's alone in the bathroom.
- 283-Wonderful!
- 284 I'll giveyoumy contact information.
- 285-Um, you should probably talk to Penny, too.
- 286 Aboutwhat?
- 287 Okay, youknow what?
- 288 This is ridiculous.
- 289-I' vebeen trying to make a connection with you all day, and clearly I' mg etting nowhere.
- 290 Well, are yous eeking a connection or just some form of validation?
- 291 What Iwas seeking was some sort of friendship.
- 292 But at this point, I'll takeyou not insulting metomy face.
- 293 Myintentionwas nevertoin sultyou.
- 294 You've been doing it all day!
- 295 Doyouevenknowwhataninsultis?!
- 296-Well, it's not a clinical term.
- 297-Butone example would be your marrying myson, and not inviting meore ventelling methewedding was taking properties of the properties
- 298 Okay, goodexample.
- 299-What about Joss Whedon's work make syouthink he'd be ok a ywith rule-breakers and line-breakers. The property of the procutters?!
- 300-The Avengers are rule-breakers!
- 301 Being vengeful is in their job description!
- 302-Theywork for SHIELD, which is a sanctioned department of the U.S. Government!
- 303-Doyouwork for a sanctioned department of the U.S. Government?
- 304 Asamatter of fact Ido.
- 305 At a little place called the DMV.
- 306 He's gothim there.
- 307 The Devenstands for department.
- 308 Excuseme!
- 309 Excuseme, can I please see a show of hands?
- 310-Whoheretakes is sue with this person cutting the line?
- 311 Toldyou.
- 312-Well, what as adstate of a ffairs!
- 313-Thatyou've all been so ground down by life, you don't even notice when some one disrespect syou.
- 314-Ican't believe we're gonnage the atup, and it's not because of your chair.
- 315-Youknow, rightnow, at the back of this line, there's a movie fan like you who's not going to get in, because this perfect that the perfect of the perf
- 316-Yeah, well, 61 years ago, the rewas another personat the back of the line and her name was Rosa Parks.
- 317 Okay, you may have to pretendy ou're black to get us out of here.
- 318-Now, let's follow in that brave woman's footsteps, and standup for our selves!
- 319-And-and I realize that she stood up by remaining seated, but now is not that time to enjoy their ony of that.
- 320 Now, Iaskyouagain.
- 321 Whoheretakes is sue with this person --?
- 322-Why should we list entoyou? You cut the line your self.

- 323-Imost certainly did not.
- 324-Isawyou.
- 325 Ifyou're feeling dizzy, it's because the tables have turned.
- 326-Excuseme, Ipaidsomeonetowaitinline forme, and then when Iarrived, heleft, sow hat you saw, mygoodword forme, and then when Iarrived, the first formed for formed for
- 327 Oh, no, no, no, no, wait!
- 328-Iaskyou allagain. A show of hands.
- 329 Whoheretakesissue -?
- 330 Well, stopmoving!
- 331 He's gonnagetin!
- 332 Buddy, letitgo.
- 333 No, Ican't.
- 334-This isn't right.
- 335-You did everything you could.
- 336 No, I could' vedone more.
- 337-Now, now, you denigrated the memory of a great civil right spioneer.
- 338 That's all any one could ask.
- 339-Tobehonest, I'm surprised you care da bout the wedding at all.
- 340 I'mstillhuman, Penny.
- 341-Not getting invited to myowns on 's wedding is difficult to ignore.
- 342 Amy: Iknowhowyoufeel.
- 343 Shedidn't invite any of us.
- 344-It was spur of the moment!
- 345-But we did get to see a livest ream of it on the Internet.
- 346-I could' vew at chedit on the Internet?
- 347 Thankyou.
- 348-Soif we would have asked you to come to Vegas to see us get married, you would 'vecome?
- 349-No, I would've saidy ou'r emaking a huge mistake.
- 350-Butan invitation would' ve been nice.
- 351-Your eally think we made a mistake?
- 352-At the time Idid.
- 353 ButI I'veneverseen Leonardsohappy, so...perhaps Iwas wrong.
- 354 Wow.
- 355 Okay.
- 356 Well, um, how about this?
- 357-May be while you'r estill intown, Leonard and I could have another small ceremony.
- 358 Youknow, if you're interested.
- 359-I would find that perfectly acceptable.
- 360-(gasps) She would find it perfectly acceptable!
- 361 Youguyssawit! We bonded!
- 362-Howie?
- 363-You do ingo kay ?You've been in the reawhile.
- 364 Wolowitz: (stammers) I'm fine. Berightout.
- 365 AmIanAmericanhero?(chuckles)
- 366 Well, that's a good question, Jim.
- 367-Don't you think once an astronaut leaves the planet, he's a heroto all the nations of the Earth?
- 368 (toilet flushes)

- 369 Okeydokey.
- 370-Ithink I have time for one more question.

## 1.24 Episode 24: The Convergence Convergence

- 1 Hey.
- 2 Hi, how was the screening?
- 3 Oh, Sheldon invoked Rosa Parks to make somebody who cut the line feel bad, but only the white people felt bad.
- 4 Ugh, I should've never bought him that coloring book that explains Black History Month.
- 5 How'd it go with my mother?
- 6 Uh, you know, it started a little rocky, but I think we got to a good place.
- 7 Wow.
- 8 Well done. (chuckles)
- 9 Yeah, and when I dropped her off at the hotel, she even gave me a hug.
- 10 Did she think you were choking or...
- 11 I'm sorry, that's great.
- 12 Thank you for spending time with her.
- 13 No problem.
- 14 Um, so listen, I don't know if you have any plans next weekend, but I kind of promised your mom we'd have another wedding ceremony so she could attend this time.
- 15 Wait, we're gonna get married again?
- 16 Yeah, kind of, but now we can invite our friends and family.
- 17 Seems like a lot of trouble for a hug.
- 18 Come on, it'll be fun, and, you know, your mom was genuinely hurt we didn't invite her to the first one.
- 19 Look, in our defense, it was kind of a spur of the moment thing, and also, we don't like her.
- 20 Leonard, come on, she's your mom.
- 21 If we can do something to make her happy, why wouldn't we?
- 22 I just said why- we don't like her.
- 23 Hey, look, then forget about her, let's do it for us.
- 24 We could keep it small and informal.
- 25 This time we can invite our families.
- 26 Is your brother out of prison?
- 27 Thanks to overcrowding, yeah.
- 28 I'd love it if my dad could come.
- 29 Oh, you have to invite him.
- 30 I haven't seen him since the divorce.
- 31 Oh, he's like a different man.
- 32 Oh. He stopped twitching, and I think he grew an inch and a half.
- 33 Well, then it's settled.
- 34 Yay.
- 35 God.

- 36 So funny.
- 37 I never thought my second marriage would be to you!
- 38 Our whole universe was in a hot, dense state
- 39 Then nearly 14 billion years ago expansion started... Wait!
- 40 The Earth began to cool
- 41 The autotrophs began to drool, Neanderthals developed tools
- 42 We built the Wall
- 43 We built the pyramids
- 44 Math, Science, History, unraveling the mystery
- 45 That all started with a big bang
- 46 Bang!
- 47 The Big Bang Theory
- 48 Season 9 Episode 24
- 49 The Convergence Convergence
- 50 Original air date on May 12, 2016
- 51 Okay, so it's not a legal ceremony, it's just a chance for us to redo our vows so everyone can be part of it.
- 52 So there's no maid of honor?
- 53 No.
- 54 Huh.
- 55 But if I were to, say, wear a purple satin dress with a sweetheart neckline and stand near you, you wouldn't be able to stop me, right?
- 56 I don't see how I could.
- 57 (chuckles)
- 58 Then I graciously accept.
- 59 Who's going to officiate?
- 60 I was kind of hoping you would.
- 61 Wait, now I'm just some lousy maid of honor?
- 62 Hey, good news, I just got off the phone with my mother.
- 63 She is coming to the wedding.
- 64 Okay, wait, you're inviting people to our wedding?
- 65 Yes, I'm inviting people to our wedding.
- 66 Yeah, I've already asked Stephen Hawking and Robert Downey Jr.
- 67 And now, don't get your hopes up, 'cause he's pretty busy, but Erno Rubik.
- 68 Who's Erno Rubik?
- 69 Seriously?
- 70 He invented the Rubik's Cube.
- 71 Okay, fine, but why would you invite him to our wedding?
- 72 Because, despite his fame and fortune, he strikes me as a lonely man.
- 73 Well, it's very sweet of you to go to all this trouble for Leonard's mother.
- 74 Yeah, I'm also doing it for Leonard.
- 75 I think this could really help their relationship.
- 76 How dare you invite your father without consulting me!
- 77 Sorry, but I don't think I need your permission to have my father at my wedding.
- 78 You do understand our marriage ended because he had an affair.

- 79 I know, and there's no excuse for that.
- 80 He claimed I was cold, emasculating, and hadn't shown him any physical affection for years.
- 81 I was wrong, there's three excuses for that.
- 82 Oh, my God.
- 83 It's working.
- 84 You sure?
- 85 Look.
- 86 The system is maintaining its own stability, the quantum vortex apparatus is now controlling the orientation.
- 87 (inhales)
- 88 You're right.
- 89 You realize what this means?
- 90 Yeah.
- 91 I do.
- 92 It's proof of concept.
- 93 We've got a workable guidance system.
- 94 Congratulations.
- 95 Thanks! (chuckles)
- 96 (computer chimes)
- 97 Hey, I just got an e-mail from the U.S. Air Force.
- 98 Open it.
- 99 Hmm.
- 100 "We request a meeting at your earliest convenience regarding your quantum guidance system, provisional patent 62/295118."
- 101 That's weird.
- 102 Is there a window around here we don't know about?
- 103 I'm sure it's just a coincidence.
- 104 Yeah, of course.
- 105 What else could it be?
- 106 (raised voice): Boy, do I love America.
- 107 Thank you for picking me up.
- 108 Oh, you're welcome.
- 109 I was speaking to your young lady.
- 110 My pleasure, Mrs. Cooper.
- 111 Oh, please call me Mary.
- 112 Okay, Mary.
- 113 You know, that doesn't work for me, let's stay with Mrs. Cooper.
- 114 Sheldon, don't be silly.
- 115 Wait, what?
- 116 That's what I called you till I got to know you better.
- 117 It was so nice of Leonard and Penny to invite me.
- 118 Well, actually, I... It sure was.
- 119 I've always had a special place in my heart for Leonard.
- 120 Taking care of my baby all these years.
- 121 Excuse me, I take care of him.

- 122 Sure you do.
- 123 So who else is coming to this shindig?
- 124 Oh, well, the usual gang
- 125 Penny's family is coming tomorrow.
- 126 Yeah, and Leonard's mother's already here.
- 127 Oh, Beverly.
- 128 How nice.
- 129 You've met her, right?
- 130 Yes, I have.
- 131 Mother, she's an atheist, not a vampire.
- 132 Either way, let's stop and get some garlic.
- 133 So, Mary, how have you been?
- 134 Well, thank you so much for asking.
- 135 I've been well, and you?
- 136 Very good.
- 137 Good.
- 138 I don't know what we were worried about; they're getting along great.
- 139 Sheldon tells me your husband's coming.
- 140 My ex-husband.
- 141 Oh, I'm so sorry.
- 142 Don't be.
- 143 All right.
- 144 Whew, chilly.
- 145 I think I can see my breath.
- 146 We can hear you.
- 147 Sorry. Sorry.
- 148 I can't believe I was so naive.
- 149 The military is just gonna take over the whole project.
- 150 And you know what happens if we object?
- 151 We disappear.
- 152 (nervous chuckle)
- 153 Like off the map.
- 154 Like every American Idol winner since season four.
- 155 Come on, Howard, you're overreacting.
- 156 Am I?
- 157 (whispers): Am I?
- 158 Wha– what do you want to bet some black ops guy is reprinting my high school yearbook and I'm no longer in it?
- 159 That chess club picture is now just David Zimmerman and Elaine Cho.
- 160 Okay, look, I'm on the Air Force Web site, and the department that e-mailed you is in charge of acquisitions.
- 161 So maybe they just want to give you a lot of money for your invention.
- 162 Oh, please, that's not how it works.
- 163 You saw E.T., Avatar, Jurassic World.
- 164 The military just shows up and takes over.
- 165 You do realize those weren't documentaries, right?

- 166 (chuckles)
- 167 I'm sorry, you find this funny?
- 168 No, I was just thinking about Jurassic World.
- 169 Boy, that was terrible.
- 170 Oh, we have to use the stairs.
- 171 When are they gonna fix your elevator?
- 172 Uh... I don't- any day now.
- 173 Well, the stairs are fine.
- 174 Besides, your mother is up there.
- 175 Maybe I'll have a heart attack and not have to see her.
- 176 Hey, I, I know things are a little rough with you and Mom, but I'm really glad you're here.
- 177 Me, too. (chuckles)
- 178 I should have never had that angioplasty because I feel fine.
- 179 Penny's really looking forward to seeing you.
- 180 Ah, she's a sweetie.
- 181 You got a good one there, Leonard.
- 182 Thanks, Dad.
- 183 How the hell did you do that?
- 184 (celery crunches loudly)
- 185 (loud crunching)
- 186 Isn't this nice?
- 187 (door opens)
- 188 Hey, we're here.
- 189 Alfred!
- 190 Thank you for coming!
- 191 Oh.
- 192 Well, happy to be here.
- 193 And congratulations.
- 194 Thank you.
- 195 Dad, you remember Sheldon.
- 196 Dr. Hofstadter.
- 197 Dr. Cooper.
- 198 This is Sheldon's mother, Mary.
- 199 How do you do?
- 200 Nice to meet you.
- 201 And his girlfriend, Amy.
- 202 A pleasure.
- 203 Hi.
- 204 And, of course, Mom.
- 205 Hello, my hateful shrew.
- 206 Hello to you, you wrinkled old b\*st\*rd.
- 207 All right, now I'm starting to sense a little tension.
- 208 All right, you two, don't start.
- 209 Penny and I are throwing this second wedding for your benefit.
- 210 Can you please not ruin it?

- 211 Of course. I'm sorry.
- 212 Oh, look at that—you can apologize.
- 213 Mom!
- 214 I'm sorry.
- 215 You know, the Bible says forgiveness...
- 216 Mom!
- 217 I'm sorry.
- 218 Uh, who's hungry?
- 219 We have a reservation at the best restaurant in town.
- 220 It only got three-and-a-half stars on Yelp.
- 221 Sheldon!
- 222 I'm not sorry. That's true.
- 223 I don't know what to do.
- 224 It's the Air Force.
- 225 I mean, should I respond to their e-mail?
- 226 Ignore it?
- 227 You can't ignore it.
- 228 It's not that postcard that says it's time to go back to the dentist.
- 229 Guys, come on.
- 230 We're meeting everyone for dinner.
- 231 One sec. I'm just afraid if I respond, then they'll know I got it.
- 232 Oh, dude.
- 233 The minute you opened that e-mail, they knew you got it.
- 234 I mean, they're probably looking at you through the camera right now.
- 235 Oh, damn.
- 236 I love America.
- 237 Are you done with this nonsense?
- 238 It's not nonsense.
- 239 This is how the U.S. military works.
- 240 Oh, if it's even the U.S. military.
- 241 It could be foreign military pretending to be American.
- 242 You're right. We turn our guidance system over to them, next thing we know, they're using it against us.
- 243 I also love the enemies of America.
- 244 Penny, I hope the example of my failed marriage to Leonard's father doesn't discourage you from the commitment you've made to one another.
- 245 Oh, of course not.
- 246 Although Alfred and I had a lot more going for us than you two.
- 247 Mom, please save something for the toast.
- 248 So, Alfred, what is it that you do for a living?
- 249 Oh, I'm an anthropologist.
- 250 I study ancient peoples and cultures.
- 251 My goodness, so all the way back to the Flood.
- 252 (laughing)
- 253 Don't laugh- she wasn't joking.
- 254 Play with your phone.

- 255 Well, on that note, there are many cultures that have an apocalyptic flood as part of their mythology.
- 256 I don't have a mythology.
- 257 I have the unerring Word of God.
- 258 But that's very interesting.
- 259 Oh.
- 260 I-I didn't mean to disparage your faith.
- 261 Actually, I admire it.
- 262 Really?
- 263 Yes.
- 264 Yes, I'm an agnostic myself, but I have prayed, many times, to God, to turn my wife into a pillar of salt.
- 265 Well, He came close.
- 266 Turned her into a giant block of ice.
- 267 (both laughing)
- 268 Howard, there must be someone at the university you can go to for help.
- 269 Are you kidding?
- 270 They're probably the ones who leaked it to the military in the first place.
- 271 What about the guy on the Channel Four News?
- 272 You know, "Four on Your Side"?
- 273 Maybe he can be on your side.
- 274 I'm being harassed by the government, not trying to get to the bottom of a dog-walking scam.
- 275 Oh, stop!
- 276 You know what's really happening?
- 277 All the movies you've watched, the TV shows, the comic books—they've completely twisted your thinking.
- 278 No one's after you, no one's listening to you, no one cares about you.
- 279 I'd like to think the "Four on Your Side" guy cares about me.
- 280 You know, Beverly, I know you and Alfred have your differences, but if you think about it, if you hadn't married him, there'd be no Leonard.
- 281 (chuckles)
- 282 So that's good, right?
- 283 Eh.
- 284 Is that Howard in front of us?
- 285 Oh, maybe.
- 286 Get closer.
- 287 Oh, God.
- 288 I think someone's following us.
- 289 You're being ridiculous.
- 290 I'm not being ridiculous- he's right on my tail.
- 291 Uh, turn left here and see if he turns with us.
- 292 Well, why is he turning here?
- 293 The restaurant's the other way.
- 294 I don't know.
- 295 He uses that traffic app. Maybe there's an accident.

- 296 Oh, so follow him.
- 297 Oh, no!
- 298 I told you!
- 299 It's probably just a coincidence.
- 300 Speed up a little, see if he stays with you.
- 301 Well, go faster.
- 302 You're losing him.
- 303 What is his hurry?
- 304 You know what, flash your lights.
- 305 Let him know it's you.
- 306 He's flashing his lights.
- 307 What's that mean?
- 308 I-I think he wants us to pull over.
- 309 Do not pull over!
- 310 I'm not raising this baby alone!
- 311 Hang on!
- 312 (engine revving)
- 313 So, after your husband passed, you never remarried?
- 314 No, just focused on work and the church.
- 315 Ah. And what do you do?
- 316 I work at the church.
- 317 Well, they're lucky to have you.
- 318 Mary: Well, thank you.
- 319 You're welcome.
- 320 Do you realize what's happening here?
- 321 Yeah, I do.
- 322 They're filling up on bread and ruining their meal.
- 323 Hey.
- 324 Amy: Hey.
- 325 What took you guys so long?
- 326 Oh, we were following Howard, but for some reason, he turned off his headlights and went up a one-way street.
- 327 So, what did we miss?
- 328 Oh, just Mary and I getting to know each other a little.
- 329 Leonard, your father is just charming.
- 330 He's also broke.
- 331 Did he mention that?
- 332 Okay, Mom, you sit over there...
- 333 And I'm gonna call Bernadette and see what's keeping them.
- 334 If I'd known you were broke, I wouldn't have made a big deal about the bread.
- 335 Hey, Penny.
- 336 What are you talking about?
- 337 Oh, that was you?
- 338 (chuckles)
- 339 Long story.

- 340 Why don't you go ahead and eat.
- 341 We're gonna be a while.
- 342 I'm telling you, I'm not on drugs.
- 343 The government's out to get me!
- 344 Now, one of the more exciting things to be found recently is that Nean-derthals and Homo sapiens frequently mated with each other.
- 345 Well, that certainly explains my marriage to Sheldon's father.
- 346 (laughs)
- 347 That's funny, because my father was not a very clever man.
- 348 I'd be lost without you.
- 349 (utensil clinking on glass)
- 350 Uh, I would like to propose a toast to my wife and bride-to-be.
- 351 See, that's funny because...
- 352 Back to your phone.
- 353 Penny...
- 354 I've always known I loved you, but this last year has shown me that I also love being married to you.
- 355 Thank you for saying yes.
- 356 Oh, thanks for asking until I did.
- 357 Hear, hear.
- 358 Cheers.
- 359 I, uh, I would also like to make a toast.
- 360 Aw.
- 361 (chuckles) Leonard, I am so happy that you have found a woman who loves and cares for you.
- 362 What the hell is that supposed to mean?
- 363 Why don't you take a pill?
- 364 Like you did before s\*x?
- 365 What I really needed was a blindfold.
- 366 All right, everyone... calm down.
- 367 Let's all remember what it says in the Bible:
- 368 "He who is slow to anger is better than the mighty."
- 369 Oh, dear woman, can you please read another book?
- 370 When God writes one, I will.
- 371 (clears throat)
- 372 Um, if-if we want to order the soufflé, we might want to get on that.
- 373 Leonard, if you don't mind, I-I think I'm a little tired.
- 374 I'm gonna call it a night.
- 375 Sure, Dad.
- 376 I'm a little tuckered out myself, so I will see you all in the morning.
- 377 Would you like to share a cab?
- 378 That would be fine.
- 379 Where are you staying?
- 380 I'm at the Westin.
- 381 Oh, so am I.
- 382 Can I interest you in a nightcap?

- 383 I think that you could.
- 384 What is happening there?
- 385 I think it's pretty obvious.
- 386 They don't want dessert 'cause they filled up on bread.
- 387 She's still not answering.
- 388 My father's not texting me back.
- 389 (singsongy): 'Cause they both turned their phones off.
- 390 I don't like this at all.
- 391 I don't like it either.
- 392 Really?
- 393 (laughing): 'Cause I love it.

# 2 The Big Bang Theory Season 10

## 2.1 Episode 01: The Conjugal Conjecture

- 1 Previously on The Big Bang Theory...
- 2 Dad, this is Sheldon's mother, Mary.
- 3 How do you do?
- 4 Nice to meet you.
- 5 And, of course, Mom.
- 6 Hello, my hateful shrew.
- 7 Hello to you, you wrinkled old b\*st\*rd.
- 8 (laptop chimes)
- 9 Hey.
- 10 Just got an e-mail from the U.S. Air Force.
- 11 I'm just afraid if I respond, then they'll know I got it.
- 12 Dude, the minute you opened that e-mail, they knew you got it.
- 13 I mean, they're probably looking at you through the camera right now.
- 14 Oh, God.
- 15 I think someone's following us.
- 16 Uh, turn left here and see if he turns with us.
- 17 Why is he turning here? The restaurant's the other way.
- 18 I don't know. He uses that traffic app.
- 19 Maybe there's an accident.
- 20 Oh, so follow him.
- 21 Oh, no!
- 22 Leonard, if you don't mind, I think I'm a little tired.
- 23 I'm gonna call it a night.
- 24 Sure, Dad.
- 25 I'm a little tuckered out myself.
- 26 Well, I will see you all in the morning.
- 27 Would you like to share a cab?
- 28 That would be fine.
- 29 Where are you staying? I'm at the Westin.

- 30 Well, so am I.
- 31 Could I interest you in a nightcap?
- 32 I think that you could.
- 33 Sheldon: Leonard?
- 34 Leonard?
- 35 What?
- 36 You realize you and I could become brothers.
- 37 We're not gonna be brothers.
- 38 We're not gonna be stepbrothers.
- 39 Go to sleep.
- 40 I hope you're right.
- 41 'Cause a grown man living with his brother and his brother's wife is weird.
- 42 Go to sleep.
- 43 Okay.
- 44 Do you think your father's doing unspeakable things to my mother?
- 45 No
- 46 Are you saying that because the things are unspeakable?
- 47 Your parents are old.
- 48 Anything unspeakable was finished by 9:30.
- 49 Go to sleep.
- 50 Very well.
- 51 I'm sorry if this stuff is gonna make the ceremony awkward.
- 52 God, I thought my brother fresh out of jail was gonna make everyone uncomfortable, but now this...
- 53 Hey, if you want me to sleep you're gonna have to stop talking.
- 54 Our whole universe was in a hot, dense state
- 55 Then nearly 14 billion years ago expansion started... Wait!
- 56 The Earth began to cool
- 57 The autotrophs began to drool, Neanderthals developed tools
- 58 We built the Wall
- 59 We built the pyramids
- 60 Math, Science, History, unraveling the mystery
- 61 That all started with a big bang
- 62 Bang!
- 63 The Big Bang Theory 10x01
- 64 The Conjugal Conjecture
- 65 Okay, I'm gonna go pick up my family.
- 66 Like an hour and half, two hours, depending on traffic.
- 67 Yeah, drive safe.
- 68 Oh, hey, and do yourself a favor, all right? When Beverly gets here, do not bring up last night. All right? As far as you're concerned, you don't know anything, you didn't see anything. I want you just to play dumb.
- 69 It was nice of her to show us playing dumb with an example.
- 70 What?
- 71 Oh.
- 72 Hi. Okay, hey there, I got-

- 73 I'm sorry, I got to go now.
- 74 Penny, wait.
- 75 Why?
- 76 I wanted to thank you for going through all the trouble of planning a second wedding ceremony for me, but unfortunately I cannot attend.
- 77 Well, why? What's wrong?
- 78 Wha- are we still doing the dumb thing?
- 79 Okay, why, what's wrong?
- 80 I just cannot stay here while your father goes out of his way to humiliate me.
- 81 Oh, golly, however did he humiliate you?
- 82 Stop it, Sheldon.
- 83 Do I say "Stop what?" or just throw in the towel?
- 84 I don't see why I should have to watch your father parade around with some Bible-thumping bumpkin.
- 85 Oh, excuse me, that is my mother you're talking about, however accurately.
- 86 Penny: Okay, Beverly, aren't you overreacting a little?
- 87 All we know is they shared a cab and had a nightcap.
- 88 And turned their phones off.
- 89 Not helping, buddy.
- 90 Mother, Penny and I really want you to be part of this.
- 91 Please stay.
- 92 Yeah, plus if you leave, Alfred will know he got under your skin.
- 93 Well, we can't have that.
- 94 You know, also, if they did have coitus, we'll all be needing a skilled psychiatrist.
- 95 It is funny when you think about it.
- 96 Maybe to you.
- 97 You didn't get a 500trafficticket.
- 98-Because youwere driving like a lunatic.
- 99-Hey, if thinking secret government agents are chasing you make syou alunatic, then... yeah, okay.
- 100 (doorbellrings)
- 101 Oh, I'llgetit.
- 102-It didn't help that you couldn't walk a straight line when the coppulled you over.
- 103 Ihave performance anxiety.
- 104-You of all people should know that.
- 105 (voicecracking) : Hello.
- 106-I'm looking for Howard Wolowitz.
- 107 HowardWolowitz?
- 108 Ihave the right address, don't I?
- 109 Address?
- 110 Ishehere?
- 111 Um...no.
- 112-Doyouknow where I can find him?
- 113 May Iask what this is about?
- 114-No, you may not.

- 115 Verywell.
- 116-Have him call me.
- 117 Okay.
- 118 Wolowitz : Raj, who's at the door?
- 119 (chuckles)
- 120 That's nothim.
- 121 Oh, I can't wait for yout ome et every one.
- 122-It old the mall about you.
- 123 Likewhat?
- 124 Dotheyknowaboutyourbrother?
- 125-Uh, noteverything, just, like, the jail and drugspart.
- 126 Why would you do that?
- 127 What?
- 128 The world doesn't need to know our problems.
- 129 Well, Mom, I'msorry, but...
- 130 Hey, look, they got Walgreen shere, too.
- 131-Your eally think it's helpful to change the subject, Wy att?
- 132-Just trying to make this a happy trip, dear.
- 133 Well, quitit!
- 134 (clearsthroat)
- 135-So, uh, Randall, can't believe after all these years you finally get to visit mein California.
- 136-Well, good thing I was an onviolent of fender, otherwise I couldn't have left the state.
- 137 Allright, that's enough jailtalk.
- 138-Pennyk nows where Iwas; she sent mecigar ettes.
- 139 Yousentyour brother cigar ettes?
- 140-Hewas cooking and selling crystal meth, Susan, Ithinkwe can let the cigar ettess lide.
- 141-Stoptrying to be the cooldad; you have a shirt with our cat's picture on it.
- 142 Anyway, we'rehere, slugger.
- 143-That's great, now they know where I live.
- 144 What are yout alking about?
- 145 They'vealwaysknownwhereyoulive.
- 146-Yeah, if you want to go off the grid, you have to move out of your mother's house.
- 147-Canwetake a moment to discuss that I just lied to the government for you?
- 148 Yeah.
- 149 I would not have done that for you.
- 150-Howard, please just call the man, see what he wants.
- 151 Allright, allright.
- 153 Yes, hello.

152-Hey, make sureyout ellhim that youwer en't home when he came by and that your Indian friend gave you themes it is a surely of the property of the proper

- 154-(clears throat) Uh, this is Howard Wolowitz for Colonel Richard Williams.
- 155 Oh, Itakeitback, don't mention me.
- 156 Hi, Colonel Williams, how can I helpyou?
- 157 What?Oh, uh, yes, heisfromIndia.
- 158-No, Idon't know his immigration status.
- 159 Relax, I'mstillonhold!
- 160 Speaking.

- 161 Okay, sure, I can meet with you on Thursday.
- 162-Caltechisfine.
- 163 Yeah, and may Iask what this is about?
- 164 (chuckles)
- 165 Imagnot?
- 166 That's what he said to me.
- 167 Hereyouare, Mother.
- 168 Thankyou.
- 169 I'mgladyoudecided to stay.
- 170-It's gonnabe special for Penny and metoshare this with you.
- 171-Ican't wait for this day to be over.
- 172 Yeah, special, like that.
- 173 (knockingondoor)
- 174 That's them.
- 175-Pleased on 't make things anymore awkward than they already are.
- 176 Allright, solessor equally awkward, gotit.
- 177 Hey, guys, comeonin.
- 178 Oh, thankyou.
- 179 Goodmorning.
- 180 Morning.
- 181 Hello.
- 182 Howise very one today?
- 183 Good, and you?
- 184 Good, good. Good.
- 185 I'mgood, too.
- 186 Good.
- 187 So, didyoude file mymother or not?
- 188 Sheldon!
- 189-You're being rude.
- 190-If Imay, I can assure you, your mother and I did nothing more than share a cabanda conversation.
- 191-Didthat conversation include the phrase "yourgenitals are a joy to be hold"?
- 192 That's enough!
- 193 Look, Ipromiseyou, neither I, noranyone, haseversaidthat.
- 194-Youdon't know his girl friend very well.
- 195-Orwhat ajoyitis to be hold mygenitals.
- 196-All right, you guys, uh, getsettled in, then we'll go across the hall and say hit oever yone.
- 197-Youknow, It's hard to be lieve I'ven ever met Leonard.
- 198-Well, he probably buy shi sillegal drugs from a local vendor.
- 199 (chuckles)
- 200 Notfunny, Wyatt.
- 201-Ithoughtitwas really funny.
- 202 Thanks.
- 203-Well, fine, if every one wants to make jokes about our problems, then I can, too.
- 204 Knock, knock.
- 205 Who's there?
- 206-Our family is an embarras sment.

- 207 That's not much of a joke.
- 208 Penny: Okay.
- 209-Listen, Mom, Iknowyou'r enervous, but I promiseyou, no one is gonnajud geyou or this family.
- 210 Oh, I'msorry.
- 211-It's just we're meeting Leonard's parents for the first time, and and they're a cademic sand-and intellectuals, and I don't want them thinking we're white trash.
- 212 Well, what color trash doy out hink they'll believe?
- 213-How could you think that I would spend the night with a man I just met?
- 214-Amannamed Jesus convinced you to build a church in Africa.
- 215 You'rekindo fasucker.
- 216 Well, nothing happened, right?
- 217 I It'sover.
- 218-Until we get married at hird time, you guys will never have to see each other again.
- 219 Well, youknow, actually that's not the case.
- 220-Marymay visit mein New York.
- 221 Mary: Mm hmm.
- 222-And he's neverbeen to Texas.
- 223 May be we meet half way.
- 224-What? In the Chattahoo chee National Forestin Georgia?
- 225-I can't be the only one that knows that's halfway.
- 226-You're not seriously going to visite a chother.
- 227 Andwhywouldn't we?
- 228-Ohple as e, you're just saying this to antagonize me.
- 229-Oh, not at all. Mary happens to be a wonderful woman.
- 230 Andifitant agonize syou, that's just abonus.
- 231 Mary, I'msorryyou'reinthemiddle of this.
- 232-No, no, nothing to be sorry about.
- 233 Igenuinely like your father.
- 234 What? Buthe's a medioc reac a demic.
- 235 And according to Beverly, his sexual prowess is subpar.
- 236-He's basically Leonard with a bigger prostate.
- 237 Areyous aying that mydad's not good enough for your mom?
- 238 Yes, while also getting in a solid digatyou.
- 239 Prettyefficient, huh?
- 240 (stammers) This is ridiculous. I-I'm going across the hall.
- 241-But why should you get to go and leave mehere with your bickering parents?
- 242 Fine, then you go!
- 243-Well, Idon't want to stay here with her. I'll go.
- 244 I'llgowithyou.
- 245-That still leaves mehere with him.
- 246 Hangon, hangon!
- 247 We're smart, we can figure this out.
- 248 Okay, so: Maryand Beverlycan't betogether.
- 249-Uh, Alfred and Beverly can't be together.
- 250 Leonard and I can't be together.
- 251-Now, I could be with Alfred ... but I don't like his face.

- 252 Oh, here! I'vegotit!
- 253 Who's ready for a wedding?
- 254 Great, now I have to start all over.
- 255 Sohow's the world of pharmaceutical streating you?
- 256-Prettygood. I actually just got as signed a much better territory.
- 257 See what happens when you work hard?
- 258-Hey, she just sells drugs. I had to make 'em.
- 259 Okay, that's enough.
- 260-Nomored rugtalk for the rest of this trip.
- 261 I'lldrink to that.
- 262 Haven'tyouhadenough?
- 263-Pennydrinks more than Ido.
- 264-Well, Il earned from the best.
- 265 Aw!Aw!
- 266 Verynice, Wyatt.
- 267 Andyouwonder why this one turned out the way he did.
- 268-Youse ewhat I've gottaput up with!
- 269 Whatyou've gottaputup with?
- 270 Why didyou have to go to jail?
- 271 It's called getting caught, Mother!
- 272 Hello!
- 273 Hey, there heis! Hey!
- 274 Oh, Leonard! It's sonice to see you again!
- 275 Oh, you, too!
- 276 Hey, everyone, this is my mother, Beverly.
- 277 Hello.
- 278 Susan: Hi.
- 279 We are not white trash!
- 280-A reyou excited to see your sonwalk down the aisle?
- 281-Yes, Iam.
- 282-I'mjust feeling a little guilty about all the trouble I've caused.
- 283 Oh, soam I.
- 284 Youmade Gods adtoday, Mom.
- 285 Sheldon, they haven't done anything wrong.
- 286 Ithinkit's nice they're hitting it of f.
- 287-Well, that 's still no reason to rush into anything.
- 288 (stammers) Lookatus.
- 289-We took things remarkably slow.
- 290-You and I, we didn't even hold hands for two years.
- 291-It was alot hotter than it sounds.
- 292 You're a patienty ounglady.
- 293 Hey, hey!
- 294 She'smine! Takeacoldshower, grandpa!
- 295-Why wouldn't that colonels ay what the meeting's about?
- 296-Ithas to be badnews.
- 297-Calmdown, okay? Trynottothink about it.

- 298 That's really stupid advice.
- 299-You know that hurts my feelings.
- 300 Calmdown, trynottothinkaboutit.
- 301 Okay.
- 302 Why do I bothertalking to you?
- 303 Oh, comeon. What's the worst that could come of this meeting?
- 304-Idon'tknow. They take the invention away, and I get nothing?
- 305 Okay, that's not so bad.
- 306-You know what happened to the scientists that worked on the Manhattan Project?
- 307-The government forced them to move to the desert.
- 308-They had to live in secret, and when Oppenheimer objected to what they made him do, they destroyed his reputation of the properties of the properties
- 309 What's the point of that story?
- 310-I just read abook about Oppenheimer, seemed like a chance to show of f.
- 311 (laughs)
- 312 Thereheis!
- 313-There's my happy Hebraic home boy.
- 314-Yeah, that's the smile I'm gonnare member when you'r eliving in the desert and I'm living with your wife.
- 315 So, what doyou do for aliving?
- 316 Mommy, youwant to take this one?
- 317 Um, Randall's inbetween jobs.
- 318 (whispering) : And court appearances.
- 319-It's nice to meet the woman who raised this fine young man.
- 320-I'm looking forward to meeting his father.
- 321-Prepare to be disappointed.
- 322 Andhecan't wait to meet you, too.
- 323 CanIgetanyoneadrink?
- 324 Well, I could use another beer. (laughs)
- 325 You'redone.
- 326 He's done.
- 327-Hey! Is every one getting to know each other?
- 328 Notatall!
- 329 (harpmusicplaying)
- 330-Nice to see you again, Dr. Hof stadter.
- 331 I'm, uh, Leonard's friend, Stuart.
- 332 Nicetoseeyou, too.
- 333 Hi, I'mStuart.
- 334 Ooh, I'mAlfred.Leonard's father.
- 335 Oh!Oh, hi.Uh, I'msorry, didyoutwowant to sittogether?
- 336 No.No.
- 337-Iwas wondering why the front row was available.
- 338 Okay, Ithinkwe'reready.
- 339 (Wagner's" Bridal Chorus" playson harp)
- 340 Why dope opter yat weddings?
- 341-They'r epracticing for what's coming later.
- 342-Thankyou for cleaning your self up for your sister's wedding.
- 343-Thankyou formy new teeth.

- 344 Welcometothe family, Leonard.
- 345-Don't lendy our new brother-in-law money.
- 346 We'reheretoday to celebrate love.
- 347 (sighsloudly)
- 348 Sighlouder, nooneheardyou.
- 349 Really, Icanmove.
- 350-Notjust Leonard and Penny's love, but the love we have for them, as well as each other.
- 351 Speaking of love, STD samong the elderly are skyrocketing.
- 352-Love is patient, but it's not gon na put up with all the side chatter, so let's knock it of f!
- 353-At least she's yelling at some one else for a change.
- 354 Bernadette : Howard!
- 355-Okay, Iunderstandevery one's a little tense today, so Iam just gonnaget to the important stuff.
- 356-Leonard, standing here with you in front of our family and friends is bringing up a lot of feelings.
- 357-Like what a good idea it was to elope the first time.
- 358-But also how incredibly happy you make me.
- 359-Thankyou for marrying me.
- 360-Hopefully for the last time.
- 361-Penny...as as cientist, myjobisto figure out why things happen.
- 362-But Idon't think I'll ever under standhow some one like mecould get to be with some one like you.
- 363-Youknow...maybe...Idon't need to understand it, I just need to be grateful.
- 364 Iloveyou, Penny.
- 365 Penny: Oh...
- 366 Anybody have anything snarky to say about that?
- 367 Didn't thinkso.
- 368 I'dlike to say something.
- 369 (clearsthroat)
- 370-Beverly, Iknow that we don't bring out the best in each other.
- 371-But something wonderful did come from our relationship: that young man right there.
- 372 I couldn't agreemore.
- 373 (quietly) : That's beautiful.
- 374-Thankyou.
- 375 Allright, let's continue.
- 376-Yeah, excuseme, Ineed to say something to some one pretty special, and ...
- 377 Ijustcan't wait anylonger.
- 378 It's happening.
- 379-Leonard...
- 380-You and I have our ups and downs.
- 381-But I have always considered you my family.
- 382-Even before the recent threat of our parents for nicating like wrinkly old rabbits.
- 383-Idon't always show it, but you are of great importance to me.
- 384 Both of you.
- 385 Oh...
- 386 Thankyou.
- 387 Okay.
- 388-Inow pronounce you husband and wife.
- 389-Andweir dother husband who came with the apartment.

- 390 (Mendels sohn's" Wedding March" playing)
- 391-Thankyou for taking us to the air port.
- 392 Hey, I'm just thrilled we're all getting along for a minute.
- 393 Yeah, me, too.
- 394 Beverly, I'msorry if Iupsetyou.
- 395-Waterunder the bridge, Alfred.
- 396 Leonard, whydon't you get into the carpool lane?
- 397 Well, that's a solid line. He can't crossit.
- 398 That's okay. I can make it over.
- 399 No, no, let's plodalong.
- 400-It'll make your father feel more comfortable.
- 401-What makes mecomfortable is knowing Idon't have towake up to morrow morning and see your sour face.
- 402-Dotheworld a favor, and don't wake up to morrow morning.
- 403-That was almost a minute.
- 404 There's a lot of traffic. A rewegon nabeokay?
- 405-You'll be at the air portant our before your flight.
- 406 Good. Thankyou.
- 407-Plenty of time for yout ome et another geriatric boy toy.
- 408 Hey.
- 409-I will not have you be disrespectful to me.
- 410 Yesma'am.
- 411 Sheldon, you're mother's an attractive woman.
- 412-Youneed to get use to the fact that men are going to be interest in her.
- 413-Well. and you need to drive the car and mindy our business.
- 414-I will not have you be disrespectful to me.
- 415 What -you're not my mother.
- 416 Don't you be disrespect ful to her.
- 417 Yesma'am.
- 418 You'll get there.
- 419-You've just got taput some zing onit.
- 420 Penny, Idon'tknowwhat Iwasworried about.
- 421 You're friends are just lovely.
- 422 Oh, thanks, Mom.
- 423 Although that Sheldon is a bit peculiar.
- 424-Ishe? In ever noticed.
- 425-Here minds me of that turkey we had who drowned looking up at the rain.
- 426 (laughter)
- 427 Cops, cops, becool!

### 2.2 Episode 02: The Military Miniaturization

- 1 Previously, on The Big Bang Theory...
- 2 Hello.
- 3 I'm looking for Howard Wolowitz.
- 4 May I ask what this is about?
- 5 No, you may not.

- 6 Very well.
- 7 Hi... Colonel Williams.
- 8 How can I help you?
- 9 O-Okay.
- 10 Sure, I can meet with you on Thursday.
- 11 Caltech is fine.
- 12 Yeah, may I ask what this is about?
- 13 (brief chuckle)
- 14 I may not?
- 15 That's what he said to me.
- 16 Look at this.
- 17 Elon Musk has a theory that we're all just characters in some advanced civilization's video game.
- 18 So some alien kid spent his money on the asthma-and-glasses upgrade for me?
- 19 Well, he doesn't say it's a good game.
- 20 All right, we got a problem.
- 21 What's up?
- 22 The Air Force contacted me about our quantum gyroscope.
- 23 They want to have a meeting.
- 24 Really?
- 25 Yeah. This military guy showed up at Howard's door.
- 26 He was terrifying.
- 27 Oh, what did he say?
- 28 He gave me his business card and asked me to please pass it along to Howard.
- 29 That doesn't sound terrifying.
- 30 To a white guy born here, no.
- 31 If you are a brown guy whose name has a lot of syllables in it—terrifying.
- 32 You realize if the military declares our research classified, they can take the whole thing away from us.
- 33 Wolowitz: And if that happens, we'll never be able to sell it commercially.
- 34 There goes our big payday. I was counting on that money—I need to make as much as my wife so I don't have to try so hard in bed.
- 35 You do that, too?
- 36 Oh, yeah. How do you think I stay this thin?
- 37 Gentlemen, I think we are losing sight of the real issue.
- 38 We are on the precipice of becoming faceless  $\cos$  in the military-industrial complex.
- 39 Isn't that exciting?
- 40 You're kidding, right?
- 41 Not at all. In Star Wars, when the stormtroopers would march in perfect formation, harassing civilians, didn't you ever think, "Hey, that could be me"?
- 42 Sheldon, we could be contributing to a weapons system that oppresses mankind for the next thousand years.
- 43 Okay, Howard's on board. What do you think, Leonard?

- 44 Our whole universe was in a hot, dense state
- 45 Then nearly 14 billion years ago expansion started... Wait!
- 46 The Earth began to cool
- 47 The autotrophs began to drool, Neanderthals developed tools
- 48 We built the Wall
- 49 We built the pyramids
- 50 Math, Science, History, unraveling the mystery
- 51 That all started with a big bang
- 52 Bang!
- 53 The Big Bang Theory 10x02
- 54 The Military Miniaturization
- 55 I'm worried about Howard. Ever since that guy from the Air Force showed up, he's been a nervous wreck.
- 56 All right, we work at a giant pharmaceutical company.
- 57 Get him some anti-anxiety meds.
- 58 He won't take any pills that aren't chewable and shaped like a Flintstone.
- 59 You know, when Leonard's feeling anxious I make him take a long walk.
- 60 Does that help?
- 61 Well, for a while. Then he comes back.
- 62 I don't believe this.
- 63 What's wrong?
- 64 This guy from the office just congratulated me on being pregnant.
- 65 You did already know, right?
- 66 No one at the office did.
- 67 Did you tell anyone?
- 68 No. You told me not to.
- 69 I bet it was Barbara Chen in retrovirus.
- 70 She might have heard me throwing up one morning.
- 71 Every since she got the hearing aid, she thinks she's so great.
- 72 Why don't you want anyone to know?
- 73 'Cause I'm up for a major immunotherapy study, and if they find out I'm pregnant they might give it to someone else.
- 74 Would they really do that?
- 75 I know they would—they did it to Barbara Chen last year when I told everyone she was pregnant.
- 76 Wail till I Snapchat that my friends might be working on a top secret government project.
- 77 Are you crazy?
- 78 You can't put that on Snapchat.
- 79 Fine, I'll put it on Facebook like a caveman.
- 80 You know, maybe before our meeting we should talk to a lawyer.
- 81 That's not a bad idea.
- 82 Well, you must have someone in your family that's a lawyer.
- 83 Why? Because I'm Jewish?
- 84 That's like me saying, "Hey, you're Indian. Doesn't your cousin work in a call center?"

- 85 My cousin does work in a call center.
- 86 And my cousin's a lawyer.
- 87 We don't need Howard's cousin, no.
- 88 We have me.
- 89 You're not a lawyer, Sheldon, you're just a know-it-all.
- 90 I am not a know-it-all.
- 91 I'm a person who knows lots of things and likes to correct other people when they're wrong.
- 92 That's the definition of being a know-it-all.
- 93 Or in German, a Besserwisser.
- 94 How did you think you were gonna hide your pregnancy?
- 95 I had a plan– I kept leaving Dove Bar wrappers around to explain any weight gain.
- 96 Where did you get empty Dove Bar wrappers?
- 97 From all the Dove Bars I ate! I'm pregnant!
- 98 Try to keep up!
- 99 I'm sorry. I-I have to go find out if my boss knows.
- 100 Well, whatever happens, we're here for you.
- 101 Thanks. You guys are the best.
- 102 Yeah, drive safe. We love you. And give us a call...
- 103 Oh, my God, it was me, it was me!
- 104 I'm the one who blabbed she was pregnant!
- 105 What?!
- 106 I didn't mean to. It just slipped out in front of her assistant one day. I...
- 107 I forgot my coat.
- 108 Oh! Here's your coat, honey.
- 109 That's such a cute jacket.
- 110 Oh...
- 111 God, I feel so bad- I just lied to her.
- 112 Oh, but you did it so well.
- 113 That's amazing!
- 114 It's like watching a sculptor, but your clay was lies.
- 115 Is that really what's important right now?
- 116 I mean, seriously, you have got to let me scan your brain when you're being dishonest so I can see what lights up.
- 117 That's super helpful, Amy.
- 118 Thanks a lot. I can't wait to do that.
- 119 I can see a clump of bitch cells lightin' up from here.
- 120 Give me a second to call my cousin.
- 121 I don't see how a tax lawyer from Fort Lauderdale could be helpful regarding intellectual property.
- 122 First of all, he's in Boca Raton, which is better than Fort Lauderdale.
- 123 But more importantly, he lasted two days on Jeopardy, so he's clearly a smart guy.
- 124 (Skype ringing)
- 125 Hello.

- 126 Hey, Marty. Thanks for talking to us.
- 127 Hey, no problem.
- 128 Thanks for going to outer space so no matter what I do my mom will be disappointed in me.
- 129 Well, I married a little Catholic girl, so we're even.
- 130 Anyway, this is Leonard and Sheldon.
- 131 The three of us came up with the guidance system.
- 132 Hi.
- 133 Hello. And this is my friend, Raj.
- 134 Oh, I'm not on the patent. I'm just here because there's a bumblebee in my office.
- 135 I saw it. It's big.
- 136 Anyway, like I said in the e-mail, this meeting's on Thursday.
- 137 Do you have any advice for us?
- 138 Well, I don't know much about patent law.
- 139 But, uh, my advice is: hear them out, offer as little information as possible, and whatever you do, don't sign anything.
- 140 "Don't sign anything"? That's your advice?
- 141 Okay, so, uh, if during this meeting, one of us were to, say, complete an oil painting, you'd recommend that we leave that unsigned?
- 142 That's not what I meant.
- 143 That's what you said.
- 144 That's not what I meant.
- 145 This must be how you practice law in Boca Raton, by saying things you don't mean and meaning things you don't say.
- 146 Howard, why is he yelling at me?
- 147 All right, you were on Jeopardy.
- 148 Allow me to Alex Trebek this and put it in the form of a question: Who has been a complete waste of our time?
- 149 Marty, let me call you back.
- 150 Someday, when I'm up on murder charges, you'll be hearing from me.
- 151 You don't need him. I'll represent you.
- 152 Hi.
- 153 Hey. What brings you by?
- 154 Oh, had to go to a sales seminar on our new sleeping pill.
- 155 Oh. How was it?
- 156 Great.
- 157 Fell asleep?
- 158 In, like, two minutes. Yeah.
- 159 So, how is everything going around here?
- 160 Are you still upset about people finding out you're pregnant?
- 161 I'm furious.
- 162 Sure, sure.
- 163 Uh, did you ever figure out who told?
- 164 No. I confronted Barbara Chen, but she claimed she didn't know what I was talking about.

- 165 Hmm. Well, I guess it's just gonna remain a mystery, you know, like whatever happened in that seminar after they dimmed the lights. (laughs)
- 166 It had to be Barbara.
- 167 I've been trying to figure out a way to get back at her.
- 168 Do you think using her work computer to Google "how to be a prostitute" is over the line?
- 169 Uh, you know, when I was in high school, there was this girl who was talking about me behind my back, so me and all my friends, we cornered her in the bathroom and forgave her.
- 170 What kind of revenge is that?
- 171 This woman screwed with my job. She's got to pay.
- 172 Okay, all right, honey, you know what?
- 173 There was something I was too scared to tell you yesterday, a-and now...
- I'm just balls-out terrified to tell you, but... the truth is it... wasn't Barbara Chen, it was me.
- 174 I'm the reason everyone knows.
- 175 Why did you do that?
- 176 Well, it was an accident. I am so sorry I lied.
- 177 Get out.
- 178 (sighs)
- 179 Oh, you know, I also lied about the girl in the bathroom.
- 180 Yeah, we actually dumped her retainer in the toilet and put it back in her mouth.
- 181 I don't understand why I can't talk at this meeting.
- 182 'Cause when you talk, it enrages people.
- 183 Okay.
- 184 Quick question.
- 185 Am I allowed to exchange pleasantries upon meeting this colonel?
- 186 Yes.
- 187  ${\rm Am~I}$  allowed to inform him that Colonel Sanders was never actually in the military?
- 188 I'm getting enraged.
- 189 Fine.
- 190 Ooh.
- 191 Can I use text-to-speech software?
- 192 No!
- 193 Don't speak.
- 194 Male electronic voice: Aw, nuts.
- 195 Man: Gentlemen!
- 196 I'm Colonel Williams.
- 197 Thank you for meeting with me.
- 198 Hi.
- 199 Hello.
- 200 So, which one of you is the brains behind all this?
- 201 It's a group effort, but I guess if we had to pick a main brain, it would be me.

- 202 (muffled whimper)
- 203 (machine whirring dies down)
- 204 And because of the quantum vortices, this can run perpetually?
- 205 Exactly.
- 206 Yeah, you have a good grasp of the physics.
- 207 Well, I'm a scientist by training.
- 208 Wolowitz: Really?
- 209 You're a physicist?
- 210 Better. I'm an engineer.
- 211 Where did you go to school?
- 212 MIT.
- 213 Oh. Well, hey, me, too.
- 214 I should have known.
- 215 Behind every great invention is an MIT mind.
- 216 I'll cut to the chase.
- 217 The Air Force believes there's an application for this technology, and we're interested in funding your research.
- 218 Well, thanks, but you should know we're a little concerned about this being used in weapons.
- 219 Oh, well, let me put your mind at ease.
- 220 What we use it for is none of your business.
- 221 I don't know how I feel about this.
- 222 Look, guys, it's just a guidance system.
- 223 It's not like you're handing us the Death Star from Star Trek.
- 224 All you need to worry about is, right now, it's this big, and we need it to be... this big.
- 225 That's a lot less big.
- 226 Yes, it's... this much less big.
- 227 I'm not even sure that's possible.
- 228 Well, I ran it by some colleagues at MIT, and they thought they could get it done in four months.
- 229 Four months?
- 230 Yeah, we'll do it in two! (laughs)
- 231 Hi. I'm Dr. Sheldon Cooper.
- 232 I'm the actual brains behind this project.
- 233 Also, engineers aren't real scientists, MIT's a trade school, and the Death Star is from Star Wars, not Star Trek!
- 234 But otherwise, thank you for your service.
- 235 (knock at door)
- 236 Hi.
- 237 Howard told me you were working late, so I brought dinner.
- 238 Oh, thanks. You know, I just wanted to get some work done without people congratulating me about the baby every five minutes.
- 239 I spent my day alone in the lab waiting for a rat to die of anthrax.
- 240 Did you come here to bring me dinner or to gloat?
- 241 Well, I came to see how you were feeling, but I'm guessing still angry?

- 242 I'm sorry.
- 243 My boss wants to meet with me, and I'm stressing.
- 244 You really think they're gonna start treating you differently?
- 245 Are you kidding?
- 246 I've always been treated differently!
- 247 Look at me! Listen to me!
- 248 I mean, the first thought when you see me isn't, "That's a scientist."
- 249 It's, "I wonder if her mommy knows where she is."
- 250 I am really regretting that I got you a Happy Meal.
- 251 I've worked so hard to get where I am, and I don't want to get sent back to square one because I'm pregnant.
- 252 I understand how you feel.
- 253 Thank you.
- 254 I wish there were some way I could make it better.
- 255 Well, you brought me French fries. That's a start.
- 256 Uh, actually, I got you apple slices 'cause you're pregnant.
- 257 Apple slices?
- 258 What kind of lunatic goes to McDonald's and gets fruit?!
- 259 I'll be right back.
- 260 And a chocolate shake!
- 261 (door opens)
- 262 Hi.
- 263 Hello.
- 264 What are you doing?
- 265 Oh, Leonard's mad at me, so I'm making him lemon bars.
- 266 Does he even like lemon bars?
- 267 Not really.
- 268 But I'm mad at him, too, so lemon bars it is.
- 269 Something happen at the meeting?
- 270 They made me promise I wouldn't talk.
- 271 And you talked?
- 272 Well, now, see?
- 273 You knew what was gonna happen. Why didn't they?
- 274 Anyway, now we're committed to completing this project in a ridiculously
- short time frame, and everyone's upset with me.
- 275 Well, if it makes you feel any better, Bernadette's mad at me, too.
- 276 Mm. If it makes you feel any better, a parasitoid wasp known as Oobius depressus has been rediscovered after 101 years of presumed extinction.
- 277 Why would that make me feel better?
- 278 Why would your Bernadette thing make me feel better?
- 279 At least mine was educational.
- 280 Okay. Never mind.
- 281 Look, I'm sorry.
- 282 Tell me why Bernadette is upset with you.
- 283 Well, I told people at work that she's pregnant.
- 284 She wasn't ready for them to know.

- 285 Why would you do that?
- 286 Well, it just slipped out. I feel terrible.
- 287 See, that's exactly what happened to me, except that I said it on purpose, and I have no regrets.
- 288 Is it even possible to get this done in two months?
- 289 Well, maybe. I don't know. We'll have to work 12 hours a day, seven days a week.
- 290 Which means I won't be able to make Penny breakfast every day, and she'll realize my brioche French toast was the only thing keeping her in the marriage.
- 291 I love your French toast.
- 292 Oh, thanks, man.
- 293 So, why did you guys even agree to the deadline?
- 294 We didn't. Sheldon did.
- 295 And you just let him?
- 296 Well, the colonel said it was for the good of the country, and the funding is substantial.
- 297 No, but mostly, there was an awkward pause, and I broke it by saying, "Okay."
- 298 So I guess I won't be seeing you guys for a while.
- 299 Oh, looks like it.
- 300 Wow.
- 301 You're going off to work with the military, leaving me behind.
- 302 Now I know how all those army wives feel.
- 303 Would you stop?
- 304 We're just gonna be on the other side of campus.
- 305 And right here.
- 306 You are a deeply silly man.
- 307 He is so afraid of his feelings.
- 308 Oh. hi.
- 309 Got a minute?
- 310 Yeah, come on in.
- 311 I just wanted to apologize.
- 312 I know what you did was an accident.
- 313 Oh, thank you, and I'm sorry I lied about it.
- 314 For what it's worth, you're a great liar.
- 315 Oh, that's what Amy said.
- 316 So what's going on with the research project?
- 317 Are they gonna let you run it?
- 318 Well, my boss said he hadn't decided yet, so I gently reminded him that he's an old rich white guy, and I'm a sweet little pregnant lady who's not afraid to cry in front of a jury.
- 319 You threatened to sue?
- 320 Hey, I learned a long time ago, when you're four feet eleven and eye level with every guy's crotch, that's where you punch.
- 321 That's funny.

- 322 I learned something totally different.
- 323 Do you know what?
- 324 It's just a research project.
- 325 The most important job in the world is gonna be raising this child.
- 326 It's all I need to give my life meaning.
- 327 Oh, that's so beautiful.
- 328 You believe me? Oh, good.
- 329 11 more chumps like you, I'll have the jury eating out of my hand.
- 330 I never realized this building was classified.
- 331 Maybe that's because it's classified.
- 332 Wish we weren't so far from my parking space.
- 333 The way you put away those lemon bars, perhaps that's a good thing.
- 334 I'd like to reinstate the you-not-talking rule.
- 335 Why? It clearly doesn't work.
- 336 I guess this is it. (laughs)
- 337 Leonard: Is that a retinal scanner?
- 338 Let's find out.
- 339 Female computerized voice: Howard Wolowitz- access granted.
- 340 All: No way! Impressive!
- 341 Oh, my turn! My turn!
- 342 Leonard Hofstadter–  ${\it access}$  granted.
- 343 I didn't even have to take my glasses off!
- 344 Access denied.
- 345 Both: It knows!
- 346 Oh, oh, oh, oh, guys, hold me upside down!
- 347 Howard Wolowitz, access granted.
- 348 All: Yay!

# 2.3 Episode 03: The Dependence Transcendence

- 1 It's pretty late.
- 2 You think I've got time to run some more simulations on the cooling system?
- 3 Sure, I'm still figuring out the thermo-acoustic expander.
- 4 Sheldon: Oh, while you do that I am going to pump cerebral spinal fluid through my brain cells to remove the metabolic by-products of the day's thoughts.
- 5 What?
- 6 It's called sleep and it's my bedtime.
- 7 Nighty-night, y'all.
- 8 Hey, hey, hey, you're not going anywhere.
- 9 We only have two months to deliver this to the Air Force because of you.
- 10 (yawning): I know, I was there.
- 11 Well, wake up!
- 12 We're gonna put in a lot of late nights.
- 13 How late?
- 14 Well, I don't know, midnight, 1:00.
- 15 One o'clock?

- 16 I'm not a raccoon.
- 17 If you're tired, have some coffee.
- 18 What?
- 19 You have some coffee.
- 20 I am having coffee!
- 21 And look how irritable it's making you!
- 22 Guys!
- 23 We're not gonna get anything done if we start fighting.
- 24 Now, can you please try to soldier through?
- 25 (sighs)
- 26 Fine.
- 27 (clock ticking)
- 28 I don't think I can go much longer.
- 29 It's been three and a half minutes, wake up!
- 30 Our whole universe was in a hot, dense state
- 31 Then nearly 14 billion years ago expansion started... Wait!
- 32 The Earth began to cool
- 33 The autotrophs began to drool, Neanderthals developed tools
- 34 We built the Wall
- 35 We built the pyramids
- 36 Math, Science, History, unraveling the mystery
- 37 That all started with a big bang
- 38 Bang!
- 39 The Big Bang Theory 10x03
- 40 The Dependence Transcendence
- 41 Sheldon: I had a bad dream that my best friend became a tyrant and forced me to stay up all night to work.
- 42 Oh, I had a good dream that when I carried you to bed, I let your head hit the wall and I laughed.
- 43 Good morning.
- 44 What is this?
- 45 Well, we didn't see you last night, we're not gonna see you today, so we thought we could have breakfast together.
- 46 Oh, that is so nice.
- 47 Ow, it does hurt!
- 48 So, what are you guys gonna do today?
- 49 Well, Sheldon was supposed to go to this party with me this afternoon, but I don't think that's happening.
- 50 Oh, that was never happening.
- 51 Oh, I'll go.
- 52 I like a party.
- 53 Well, to be honest, it's not like a "party" party, it's more like a gathering where scientists of different disciplines get together to share their work and keep current on what's going on in other fields.
- 54 I don't know why I called it a party, sorry.
- 55 It's okay, I'll still go.

- 56 You don't think you'll be bored?
- 57 Oh, I'll have some wine and listen to people go on about crap I don't understand.
- 58 I mean, how is it any different than every single day of my life?
- 59 I won't be there.
- 60 Look at that, it is a party.
- 61 Penny: Oh.
- 62 Sorry I have to work all weekend.
- 63 It's okay.
- 64 Thanks again for breakfast.
- 65 Well, I didn't get to see you last night.
- 66 It was the least I could do.
- 67 You shouldn't have made the alarm code his birthday.
- 68 So, what should we do today?
- 69 Oh, I appreciate it, but you don't have to spend your day off with me.
- 70 Well, I don't mind.
- 71 Oh, you want go to the mall and look at baby stuff?
- 72 Not really.
- 73 Oh, come on, we could share a pretzel and get sideways glances from racist old ladies.
- 74 I get enough of that when I take Howard to my grandmother's for Christmas.
- 75 Oh, I know, why don't we get started on clearing out the baby's room?
- 76 Isn't it a little early for that?
- 77 You have to get to it eventually.
- 78 Oh, there's so much junk in there, it's embarrassing.
- 79 How can you be embarrassed around me?
- 80 I'm gonna be in the room with you when you give birth.
- 81 I don't think you are.
- 82 You didn't think I was gonna be in your kitchen this morning, yet here I am.
- 83 Man: Psst, hey, kid.
- 84 Huh, what?
- 85 You look tired.
- 86 Why don't you have an energy drink?
- 87 Everyone's doing it.
- 88 Oh, no, thank you, those have caffeine in them.
- 89 Oh, sorry, I thought you were cool.
- 90 I am cool.
- 91 This is Yoo-hoo, chocolate milk's delicious watery cousin.
- 92 All right.
- 93 But if you ever want to feel like you have superpowers, try one of these.
- 94 Superheroes take performance-enhancing chemicals?
- 95 You bet.
- 96 You know why Hulk is so strong?
- 97 Steroids.

- 98 You know why Batman wanders around at night getting into fights?
- 99 Scotch.
- 100 I am facing a great deal of work.
- 101 And I do like things better when famous people also like them.
- 102 Here.
- 103 It's on the house.
- 104 The first one's free?
- 105 Flash, how do you stay in business?
- 106 You want to know my secret?
- 107 I bought stock in Marvel.
- 108 Hi, Bert.
- 109 This is my friend, Penny.
- 110 Hi.
- 111 Hey, come on in.
- 112 I'll gonna go turn on some rock music.
- 113 (Amy chuckles)
- 114 That's a geology joke.
- 115 Bert's a geologist.
- 116 And a joker.
- 117 How early are we?
- 118 Oh, actually, we're an hour late.
- 119 I suddenly wish Sheldon was here.
- 120 I don't even know where to begin.
- 121 Well, in The Sound of Music, Julie Andrews says, "Let's start at the very beginning.
- 122 A very good place to start."
- 123 Oh, I was gonna start at the end.
- 124 Thank God you're here.
- 125 Well, I think the first thing we should get rid of is that tone.
- 126 Sorry.
- 127 I should probably keep this in case we have a girl.
- 128 Oh, that's a nice one.
- 129 Was it yours when you were little?
- 130 My dad built it for me.
- 131 Wow, it's so cute.
- 132 This was the husband and this was the wife.
- 133 They'd go out on adventures together.
- 134 Cruises, skiing, horseback riding.
- 135 That was really me just duct taping them to our dog.
- 136 Oh, and did they have kids?
- 137 They did, but the mommy and daddy didn't like them, so they shipped them off to an orphanage I made out of a shoebox.
- 138 Yeah, that's not worrisome at all.
- 139 Not every girl dreams about being a mom.
- 140 Sometimes you think you're never gonna have kids and one day you wake up and you're pregnant.

- 141 And it doesn't matter that your career's going great right now and that you and your husband never even got to go anywhere taped to a dog!
- 142 I skipped spin class for this.
- 143 Why is it taking him so long to get a drink out of a vending machine?
- 144 Oh, it's complicated.
- 145 He finds pushing that little door and reaching up into the machine uncomfortably intimate.
- 146 (door opens)
- 147 Gentlemen, I am ready to work.
- 148 To quote The Martian, "Let's science the feces out of this!"
- 149 That's The Martian the book and The Martian the movie, not Marvin the Martian.
- 150 Although to quote Marvin the Martian, (as Marvin the Martian): "I claim this planet in the name of Mars."
- 151 Are you okay?
- 152 Oh, I'm fantastic, never been better.
- 153 I had my first energy drink and I feel great.
- 154 Hey, you guys want to wrestle?
- 155 We can do arm, thumb, mud, sumo.
- 156 Nah, we're not fat enough, or wearing diapers.
- 157 You wanted him awake.
- 158 (rock music playing)
- 159 So should we talk to each other or mingle?
- 160 I don't know where everyone is.
- 161 Yeah, I mean, I could see him eating one or two guests, but not a whole party.
- 162 Well, I guess this is kind of a bust.
- 163 You don't have to stay.
- 164 I'm gonna start cleaning up.
- 165 Okay.
- 166 I feel so bad about leaving him here.
- 167 Oh, it's funny, I was just thinking the same thing about you.
- 168 Bert: Hey, listen, could you not say anything about this to the people at the university?
- 169 You know, 'cause... you're you and I'm me, and it's kind of embarrassing.
- 170 Wait, what do you mean "she's her"?
- 171 Well, you know how Amy's the coolest girl on campus, right?
- 172 No. No.
- 173 Oh veah, everybody thinks so.
- 174 What?
- 175 You tell me about your foot fungus, but this is a secret?
- 176 I'm sure it's just 'cause I'm dating Sheldon.
- 177 Mm, actually, I think Sheldon's popular because he's dating you.
- 178 Now Sheldon's popular?
- 179 What is happening?
- 180 (groans)

- 181 Maybe we should break for lunch.
- 182 What time is it?
- 183 (moans twice)
- 184 According to the world's worst cuckoo clock, it's 2:00.
- 185 My head hurts and I'm more tired than ever.
- 186 Why don't you just go home?
- 187 No, I can do this.
- 188 I just, I just need another energy drink.
- 189 Oh, no.
- 190 What?
- 191 I want another one.
- 192 So?
- 193 That's a craving.
- 194 That's a sign of chemical dependency.
- 195 You only had one.
- 196 No, I know, but plenty of things are addictive after a single exposure.
- 197 I mean, crack cocaine, nicotine, Pringles.
- 198 You know once one pops one just can't stop.
- 199 You can't develop a problem that fast.
- 200 You want to bet?
- 201 Oh, great, now I'm addicted to gambling.
- 202 We can't afford to lose any more time.
- 203 Well, this probably won't work, but has anyone ever tried to just haul off and whoop the crazy out of him?
- 204 That's not helpful.
- 205 It's fun to think about, but it's not helpful.
- 206 Hey, Sheldon, we are on a serious time crunch.
- 207 We can't do this without you.
- 208 Can you please pull it together?
- 209 I'm sorry. Yes, of course.
- 210 Thank you.
- 211 Just, please, bear with me if I display symptoms of caffeine withdrawal.
- 212 No worries.
- 213 You guys stink.
- 214 Sorry I flipped out on you.
- 215 I think it's just hormones.
- 216 I think you were mean before you were pregnant, but it's fine.
- 217 So, uh, instead of cleaning out the room, why don't we just decide on a theme for the nursery?
- 218 Does it really need one?
- 219 Of course it does.
- 220 Didn't your baby room have a theme?
- 221 Well, it doubled as my dad's office, and he was a cop, so I guess the theme was bloody homicide photos.
- 222 Oh. Mine was Winnie the Pooh.
- 223 But anyway... why don't we just take a step back and start with a color?

- 224 Right? There are so many amazing ones.
- 225 Red, blue, green, purple...
- 226 Are you just gonna name all the colors?
- 227 Well, not now.
- 228 I don't care what color the room is.
- 229 Okay, well, I'm just trying to help you.
- 230 Well, you're not, so just drop it!
- 231 I'm clearly upset. Why aren't you following me?
- 232 Sorry! Sorry!
- 233 And when Amy started using a solution of chromic acid and white vinegar to clean all her lab equipment, all of a sudden, everybody was doing it.
- 234 You trend setter!
- 235 Just the right idea at the right time.
- 236 Okay, okay, so Amy's cool, Sheldon's cool.
- 237 Tell me about Leonard.
- 238 Who?
- 239 Leonard Hofstadter.
- 240 Oh, him. I guess he's all right.
- 241 Apparently he tricked some hot girl into marrying him.
- 242 That's me, I'm her.
- 243 You know, he didn't trick me.
- 244 He just wore me down.
- 245 It makes sense you two are friends.
- 246 I mean, hot girls always stick together.
- 247 And you thought this wasn't gonna be a great party.
- 248 You know, I had no idea Caltech is exactly like my high school.
- 249 Well, it's not exactly like it.
- 250 We're all extremely smart.
- 251 Wow... you popular girls are mean.
- 252 I'm gonna get some coffee. You want some?
- 253 Uh, you're really going to have caffeine in front of me when I'm trying to get my life back on track?
- 254 Uh, okay, let's pretend you do have a problem.
- 255 I do.
- 256 You don't.
- 257 Yeah, but I do.
- 258 No, you don't!
- 259 But let's say you do.
- 260 And don't say you do, because you don't!
- 261 Now, wouldn't you think that throwing yourself into your work would be
- the best way to deal with it?
- 262 With what?
- 263 Your problem.
- 264 I thought I didn't have a problem.
- 265 That was painful to watch.
- 266 So where are we going?

- 267 I don't know.
- 268 Okav.
- 269 How Thelma and Louise of us.
- 270 Raj, why don't I care about anything?
- 271 I'm sorry?
- 272 It's my baby.
- 273 I-I should care about nurseries and colors, and I don't—what's wrong with me?
- 274 Well, crime-scene photos near your crib spring to mind.
- 275 I keep waiting to feel excited, but it's not happening.
- 276 What if it never happens?
- 277 Bernadette, come on, look, you're overthinking this, okay?
- 278 You're gonna be an amazing mom.
- 279 Even if you don't believe it, I know you have maternal instincts.
- 280 Once, I was supposed to babysit my brothers.
- 281 Our neighbor found them naked in the backyard eating crickets.
- 282 Happy and well-fed.
- 283 You see, that's what I'm taking from that story.
- 284 Leonard, can I ask you a question?
- 285 Is it about the rotational symmetries you should be figuring out or your fake caffeine problem?
- 286 Howard, can I ask you a question?
- 287 No.
- 288 All right, I'll just toss this out to the room.
- 289 Um, I was thinking that the best way to fight my addiction is by weaning myself off in steps.
- 290 Now, I couldn't find a caffeine patch, but I did find what claims to be a mind-boosting caffeine suppository.
- 291 Yeah.
- 292 You know, the interesting fact about the rectum...
- 293 Sheldon!
- 294 We are dealing with an impossible deadline from the Air Force because of vou.
- 295 So have an energy drink, don't have an energy drink.
- 296 Order suppositories and shove 'em wherever you want, I don't care!
- 297 You don't shove them.
- 298 They come with an easy-glide applicator.
- 299 Right. Listen to me.
- 300 We can't do anything until you do your part.
- 301 So get up in front of this whiteboard and do it!
- 302 I can't.
- 303 Yes, you can.
- 304 No... I can't figure out the math. I've been racking my brain for days, and I've got nothing.
- 305 Seriously?
- 306 I can't do it.

- 307 I'm not as smart as I think I am.
- 308 I'm so sorry. This is all my fault.
- 309 It's okay, we'll figure something out.
- 310 But what if we can't?
- 311 It'll be fine. You'll see.
- 312 Sheldon?
- 313 Buddy?
- 314 (snoring)
- 315 When the baby gets here, you gotta teach me that.
- 316 Thank you so much, Bert. This was great.
- 317 My pleasure.
- 318 You girls want to take home a two-gallon tub of potato salad?
- 319 I think we're good.
- 320 Okay, well, thanks for coming by.
- 321 You're nice people.
- 322 Well, so are you. In fact, you know what? We will never take you for granite. Did you get that? Granite? A little geology joke.
- 323 You need to leave.
- 324 I'm in love with both of you now.
- 325 Okay. Bye.
- 326 Uh, pull over.
- 327 What? Why? Who are you calling?
- 328 You're gonna rat me out to Howard, aren't you?
- 329 You're such a snitch, no wonder I don't like you.
- 330 Whoa, I'm calling my dad, okay?
- 331 He's got experience dealing with pregnant ladies because he's an OBGYN.
- 332 And experience with crazy ladies because of my mom.
- 333 (Facetime ringing)
- 334 Hello, Rajesh.
- 335 Are you calling to ask for money?
- 336 What? No.
- 337 Are you calling to ask for things that cost money?
- 338 No.
- 339 Great. What's up?
- 340 This is my friend, Bernadette.
- 341 She's pregnant, and she's a bit worried, so I thought maybe you could talk to her
- 342 Of course.
- 343 What seems to be the trouble?
- 344 Something's wrong.
- 345 I don't care about any of the baby stuff every other mom is so into.
- 346 Honestly, I'm not even sure I like babies.
- 347 Look, some people are baby people, and some people are not baby people.
- 348 It doesn't mean you won't love your own baby.
- 349 But I thought I'd be more excited.
- 350 Oh, being excited isn't a guarantee of anything.

- 351 Rajesh's mother was thrilled when she was pregnant with him.
- 352 After he was born, she doted on his every move.
- 353 And you know what happened?
- 354 He broke her heart, moved halfway around the world, and dates only poor white women.
- 355 So you never know.
- 356 Thank you. I feel better now.
- 357 I don't!
- 358 Father: Good.
- 359 Bernadette, I hope you have a daughter.
- 360 Um, I don't really know how to say this.
- 361 Well, you could try starting with "sir".
- 362 Right. Sorry, sir.
- 363 He said start with it, not end with it.
- 364 Sir...
- 365 Hmm?
- 366 We've hit a bit of a snag.
- 367 We're already behind schedule.
- 368 The computations required to overcome the deployability issues are more significant than we thought.
- 369 I understand that we're under contract, and I don't know what the consequences of violating that are, but, uh... we're not gonna be able to deliver in the time we promised.
- 370 (sighs)
- 371 How long do you need?
- 372 (Wolowitz clears throat)
- 373 We-We're thinking... two years.
- 374 All right.
- 375 (chuckles) That's it?
- 376 You're okay with that?
- 377 (scoffs) You think you're the first government contractor who isn't gonna deliver on time?
- 378 We're still waiting for a big space laser Reagan ordered to beat the commies.
- 379 Thanks for understanding, sir.
- 380 Yes, thank you so much.
- 381 We-We really appreciate it.
- 382 Leonard: All right, pressure's off...
- 383 Wolowitz (sighs): Wanna see a movie?
- 384 Sheldon: Popcorn's on me.

## 2.4 Episode 04: The Cohabitation Experimentation

- 1 There was water everywhere.
- 2 It was such a mess.
- 3 That stinks. How long are you out of the apartment?

- 4 About five weeks.
- 5 Ugh! Did you lose anything valuable?
- 6 Well, the pipe was over my closet, so all my clothes are gone.
- 7 Oh, so nothing. Great.
- 8 Do they know why the pipe burst?
- 9 They didn't say.
- 10 Buildings that have a combination of copper and galvanized steel are susceptible to pinholes and corrosion caused by the mobility of ions in the water.
- 11 Can't have your head shoved in a toilet as much as I did and not pick up a few things about plumbing.
- 12 Well, if you need a place to crash, you can stay with us.
- 13 Really?
- 14 Of course.
- 15 You can stay in Leonard's room, and we'll stay at my place.
- 16 You're sure that's not an inconvenience?
- 17 No. not at all.
- 18 And we live with Sheldon, so the word "inconvenience" has really lost all meaning.
- 19 So, technically, I'd be moving in with my boyfriend?
- 20 I guess so.
- 21 I'd finally get to live alone with my husband.
- 22 Oh, my, this is a big step.
- 23 Mm-hmm.
- 24 For two of us, it's in the right direction.
- 25 Why are you all smiling like crazy people?
- 26 Our whole universe was in a hot, dense state
- 27 Then nearly 14 billion years ago expansion started... Wait!
- 28 The Earth began to cool
- 29 The autotrophs began to drool, Neanderthals developed tools
- 30 We built the Wall
- 31 We built the pyramids
- 32 Math, Science, History, unraveling the mystery
- 33 That all started with a big bang
- 34 Bang!
- 35 The Big Bang Theory 10x04
- 36 The Cohabitation Experimentation
- 37 Cohabitation with my girlfriend?
- 38 That's a great deal to process.
- 39 Mm.
- 40 It's only for five weeks.
- 41 Yeah, and we'll be right across the hall.
- 42 What do you think?
- 43 I don't know.
- 44 What if living together kills the romance?
- 45 Okay, you guys had s\*x one whole time.
- 46 Nothing can put out a fire like that.

- 47 Yeah, but what happens when we each get a peek behind the curtain?
- 48 I mean, she's never even seen me unshaven.
- 49 You just shaved yesterday.
- 50 You're good for three months.
- 51 Sheldon, I understand your apprehension, but let me appeal to the scientist in you.
- 52 Given the five-week end date, isn't it the perfect opportunity to consider this an experiment and collect data on our compatibility?
- 53 Don't try luring me in with sexy talk.
- 54 Leonard: Okay.
- 55 Star Trek: The Original Series.
- 56 The Enterprise was on a five-year mission to explore new worlds.
- 57 Think of this as your personal five-week mission to do the same.
- 58 If you want to lure me in with sexy talk, that's how you do it.
- 59 Don't be proud of that.
- 60 So, is that a yes?
- 61 Not yet. I...
- 62 How will I learn if I'm comfortable living with Amy or just comfortable because I'm in my own apartment?
- 63 Now, if this experiment is going to be valid, I suggest a neutral environment.
- 64 Well, where would you go?
- 65 Well, ideally, an enclosed, self-sustaining biodome in New Mexico.
- 66 Where we would eat crops fertilized with our own waste.
- 67 And you were worried about the romance.
- 68 Penny: Wait.
- 69 Why don't you guys stay across the hall, and we will live here?
- 70 Interesting.
- 71 If my official residence were across the hall, I wonder if I'd need to knock every time I came over here.
- 72 That's a good question.
- 73 Maybe just don't come over.
- 74 Historically, I don't do well with change.
- 75 Okay, it won't be that bad.
- 76 We wouldn't even sit in your spot while you're gone.
- 77 You're darn right, you wouldn't.
- 78 No matter where I am, this will always be my spot.
- 79 Like an embassy in a foreign country, this seat is the sovereign soil of my bottom.
- 80 Just nod and smile. He's almost gone.
- 81 Sheldon, what do you think?
- 82 (sighs)
- 83 Very well. I'm on board.
- 84 Seriously?
- 85 Yes.
- 86 I accept this five-week mission to share a living space with my girlfriend.

- 87 Oh. This is so exciting.
- 88 Well, now, don't be surprised if, like Star Trek, it's canceled in three.
- 89 I have to say, I am happy with your ob-gyn.
- 90 Cool. 'Cause she says you're doing a great job as "weird friend who doesn't have to be at every appointment."
- 91 I'm the son of a gynecologist. I could be helpful.
- 92 Bernadette: It would help if you stopped telling me I have a textbook cervix.
- 93 The polite response is, "Thank you for noticing."
- 94 Let me see the sonogram again.
- 95 (laughs)
- 96 Oh, yeah, that's a good-looking baby for a little gray blob.
- 97 Yeah, we could name him Blobert.
- 98 What if it's a girl?
- 99 Bloberta.
- 100 Or Blobbi with an "I."
- 101 Are we being silly not finding out the s\*x?
- 102 Yeah, I was just thinking the same thing.
- 103 If you want, you can find out right now.
- 104 Mm.
- 105 Hmm.
- 106 The doctor's gone for the day, so it doesn't matter.
- 107 Well, somebody else knows because they saw it in the folder.
- 108 You looked in our folder?!
- 109 It was an accident.
- 110 The doctor left the folder out on her desk.
- 111 It's not my fault I opened it and looked.
- 112 So you know the s\*x of our baby, and we don't?!
- 113 Flip a coin. You got a fifty-fifty shot.
- 114 It's unbelievable.
- 115 God, Raj.
- 116 What?
- 117 This is not a problem, okay?
- 118 If you don't want to know, I don't have to tell you.
- 119 We don't want you to know!
- 120 Okay, well, that's a problem.
- 121 You know, I'm very proud of you for trying to live with Amy.
- 122 Oh. Thank you.
- 123 Mm.
- 124 Of course, the ideal way to conduct this experiment would be with four pairs of identical Sheldons and Amys.
- 125 One pair that was neither dating nor living together.
- 126 One pair that was dating but not living together.
- 127 One pair that was living together but not dating.
- 128 And then, of course, one pair that was living together and dating.
- 129 Although, with that many Sheldons, it'd be such a party, we'd never get

- anything done.
- 130 That was a cute story.
- 131 So, um...
- 132 What did you want to ask me?
- 133 Well, you've lived with your significant other for some time.
- 134 I would like this experiment to go well.
- 135 Are there any insights you can share?
- 136 Mm. Well, the biggie is, if she has an insane roommate, kick him out as soon as possible.
- 137 You know, Leonard and I were very happy before you came along.
- 138 You've been roommates with Sheldon forever.
- 139 Do you have any advice?
- 140 I'm trying to think of an answer that won't stop you from doing this.
- 141 I know it sounds like a cliché, but compromise is key.
- 142 Never leave a belt on the floor.
- 143 At night, they look like snakes.
- 144 Do little things, like bring her a cup of coffee in bed.
- 145 Keep MM'S in your pocket in case you have to wait in a long line.
- 146 You're gonna be seeing each other a lot, so respect each other's personal space.
- 147 He startles easily, so, please, no flash photography.
- 148 How many pairs of underwear did you pack for the move?
- 149 I don't know. I didn't count.
- 150 You truly are the Goofus to my Gallant.
- 151 That's me. Listen, you and I are gonna be sharing a bed.
- 152 You know, this is uncharted territory for both of us.
- 153 How are you feeling about that?
- 154 Oh, excited, concerned, a little scared.
- 155 All the same emotions I feel in line at Space Mountain.
- 156 Well, if you're nervous about the sleeping arrangements, maybe we should talk about it.
- 157 Okav.
- 158 Talk.
- 159 Well, I imagine one of your concerns might be coital expectations.
- 160 Wow, no foreplay or anything, just right to it.
- 161 Look, I know this experiment is a big step outside of your comfort zone.
- 162 So why don't we take being physical off the table and maybe later on, once we're more settled in, we can revisit it.
- 163 You're really okay with that?
- 164 I've never lived with someone, either.
- 165 This is a lot for me, too.
- 166 (sighs)
- 167 This is such a relief.
- 168 Honestly, if it didn't get you all worked up, I'd kiss you right now.
- 169 Good call.
- 170 Seeing your Teen Titans underwear really got my motor running.

- 171 I know. They probably shouldn't sell those to children.
- 172 Well, here's your key.
- 173 Thank you.
- 174 Enjoy having the place to yourselves.
- 175 You enjoy your mission to boldly go where no man has gone before.
- 176 It's Penny's bedroom.
- 177 Plenty of men have gone before.
- 178 Now, now, there's no need to make this emotional.
- 179 Shall we?
- 180 I guess this is it.
- 181 You guys have fun.
- 182 You, too.
- 183 Oh, don't forget. Tuesday the air filters need to be changed.
- 184 Yeah, you wrote it on my hand.
- 185 Oh.
- 186 (chuckles softly)
- 187 Oh, and every other day, check the water level on the avocado pit.
- 188 I'm on it.
- 189 15 years from now, we'll make guacamole together.
- 190 Leonard, please, let me go.
- 191 Come on, Sheldon.
- 192 Oh. Bye.
- 193 Good night.
- 194 Good night.
- 195 Well, that's it.
- 196 For the next five weeks, we are officially living together.
- 197 I guess the experiment begins.
- 198 Penny (whoops): We did it!
- 199 Leonard: Yeah!
- 200 Which side of the bed would you prefer?
- 201 Doesn't matter to me. Your choice.
- 202 No, no, we're living together now- everything's equal.
- 203 You know? I know that I have a tendency to be controlling, so I would rather you choose.
- 204 Well, Sheldon, I really appreciate that, but these things mean more to you than they do to me, so whatever you want.
- 205 Well, clearly, it's not whatever I want, because what I want is for you to make this decision, and you refuse to do that.
- 206 Well, I'm not refusing.
- 207 I'm just trying to be considerate.
- 208 Like when you let me get those shoes with the wheels on the bottom, and then watched me roll right into traffic?
- 209 Sheldon, will you please just pick a side?
- 210 Fine.
- 211 (sighs)
- 212 Okay. Now, on this side, I am closer to the exit in case of emergency.

- 213 Great. That's your side.
- 214 No, but I'm also closer to the entrance in case of attack.
- 215 Okay, I'll take that side.
- 216 Ah, then again, what are the odds of someone attacking me?
- 217 Rising rapidly.
- 218 Now, this side offers me proximity to the bathroom, but I am closer to the window where perverts can watch me sleep.
- 219 Okay.
- 220 What if we do this?
- 221 I suppose that works.
- 222 Great.
- 223 Although now I'm kind of worried someone's hiding behind those drapes.
- 224 This is ridiculous.
- 225 The doctor knows what the baby is, the ultrasound tech knows, Raj knows, his Grey's Anatomy online fan group probably knows.
- 226 Is it weird we don't?
- 227 I don't know.
- 228 Maybe the surprise will make it more fun.
- 229 Like magic tricks.
- 230 Remember how disappointed you were when I explained the never-ending hanky?
- 231 I was disappointed to see the man I was engaged to pulling rainbow scarves out of his fly.
- 232 But how delightful was it when I pulled out a bouquet at the end of those scarves?
- 233 It'll be the same thing when the doctor pulls a beautiful surprise out of you.
- 234 Everyone said I could do better.
- 235 But you didn't listen, and presto change-o, my baby's inside you. Ta-da!
- 236 (brushing teeth)
- 237 (Amy hawks, spits)
- 238 Amy: Ugh. What is that?
- 239 (door opens)
- 240 Why'd you switch sides?
- 241 Be grateful I'm still in the room.
- 242 Comfy?
- 243 Oh, I'm just happy I don't know what this memory foam remembers.
- 244 Sheldon?
- 245 I know we took coitus off the table, but I was wondering how you feel about other forms of intimacy, such as snuggling.
- 246 Well, it's funny you should ask, because I was wondering how you'd feel about separating the two of us with a pillow wall.
- 247 Sheldon, I've made more than enough accommodations for you.
- 248 We're both grown adults—we've been far more intimate than this.
- 249 If you don't want to snuggle, fine—but we're not building a pillow wall.
- 250 Okay, well, I am sorry.

- 251 I'm just worried that my sensitivity to temperature could make this a rough night.
- 252 And no offense, but your bottom radiates enough heat, I'm surprised there aren't iguanas lying on it.
- 253 That's it. It's Sheldon's bedtime.
- 254 He is in for the night.
- 255 Wow. I cannot believe we are alone in our own apartment.
- 256 (chuckles): It's weird.
- 257 This must be how parents feel when their kid goes off to college.
- 258 Unless they feel sad- then it's different.
- 259 So, what do you want to do?
- 260 I know exactly what we are gonna do.
- 261 Really? You're a genius, and that's the first thing you come up with?
- 262 Hey, Sheldon's not here, so we are going to put on music and dance in our underwear.
- 263 Ugh. Can we just have s\*x?
- 264 Oh, don't worry.
- 265 Once you see my sweet moves, s\*x is inevitable.
- 266 (intro to "You Never Can Tell" playing)
- 267 It was a teenage wedding
- 268 And the old folks wished them well
- 269 You could see that Pierre
- 270 Did truly love the mademoiselle
- 271 And now the young monsieur...
- 272 Inevitable, you say?
- 273 I'll just let my hips do the talkin'.
- 274 It goes to show you never can tell...
- 275 Screw it. I'm calling and finding out.
- 276 Good. Call him.
- 277 Wait, I'm not sure I want to know.
- 278 But you just said you wanted to know.
- 279 Well, now I don't know if I want to know!
- 280 Hello?
- 281 Call you back.
- 282 No, Dr. Feynman.
- 283 If I solve it for you, you'll never learn.
- 284 Tootsee Roll
- 285 Tootsee Roll
- 286 Tootsee Roll, Tootsee Roll...
- 287 Wow! Where did you learn these moves?
- 288 The world may have forgotten about Dance Dance Revolution, but not this smooth criminal.
- 289 To the left, to the left
- 290 To the right, to the right, to the front.
- 291 Okay, you're positive you want to know?
- 292 Yes.

- 293 Okay. Here we go.
- 294 It's ringing.
- 295 (ringtone playing)
- 296 Hello?
- 297 Wait.
- 298 Wrong number.
- 299 (moans)
- 300 (moans)
- 301 (moans)
- 302 (moans)
- 303 (moans)
- 304 (moans)
- 305 (inhales)
- 306 I told you not to do the worm.
- 307 (holding breath): You were right.
- 308 (ringtone playing)
- 309 Hello.
- 310 Bernadette: I changed my mind! Hang up! Hang up!
- 311 Oh.
- 312 Oh.
- 313 Oh, gee- oh!
- 314 What are you doing down there?
- 315 Hang on.
- 316 Who are you calling?
- 317 (click)
- 318 (screams)
- 319 I'm so sore. I don't think I slept two minutes last night.
- 320 Yeah, get it, girl.
- 321 It's not what you think.
- 322 I feel like I pulled something.
- 323 Why didn't you tell me to stop?
- 324 Even more not what you think.
- 325 I don't know if I can make it through five weeks living with him.
- 326 If you ever need a break, the owner of the train store will let you leave him there while you get a coffee.
- 327 Yeah.
- 328 Good morning.
- 329 See? I didn't knock, but it's fine.
- 330 I didn't knock, but it's fine. I didn't knock, but it's fine.
- 331 So, how is everyone?
- 332 Miserable and exhausted.
- 333 Really? I slept great.
- 334 Well, I didn't, and it's your fault.
- 335 How? You had the whole floor to yourself.
- 336 (sighs) Sheldon, maybe living together is a bad idea.
- 337 Well... Yeah, but what kind of scientists would we be, drawing a conclu-

- sion after only 12 hours of data?
- 338 The kind who almost put a pillow over your face last night.
- 339 Wow.
- 340 I anticipated we'd have problems, but I never thought your scientific rigor would be one of them.
- 341 I'm sorry, are you questioning my integrity as a scientist?
- 342 If the lab room disposable shoe cover fits.
- 343 Was that a science diss?
- 344 Yeah.
- 345 Was it a good one?
- 346 Eh.
- 347 Ah.
- 348 What would a theoretical physicist understand about an experiment anyway?
- 349 I mean, you wouldn't know a confounding variable if two of them hit you in the face at the same time!
- 350 And you don't even get that joke, 'cause you don't even work with confounding variables!
- 351 How dare you?
- 352 Oh, you heard me. Your experimental bona fides are laughable.
- 353 Whoa, whoa! Now you're making fun of my bona fides?
- 354 Can't make fun of something that's a null set.
- 355 Penny: I feel like I should say "damn."
- 356 Do it.
- 357 Damn!
- 358 Well, if you are so protective of the scientific method, perhaps we should use the next five weeks to finish what we started.
- 359 Well, for science, maybe I will!
- 360 For science, maybe you should!
- 361 Fine!
- 362 Fine!
- 363 Good.
- 364 Great.
- 365 Do you want to go to our place and make out?
- 366 Does Stephen Hawking roll through the quad?
- 367 The new neighbors are weird.

# 2.5 Episode 05: The Hot Tub Contamination

- 1 Previously on The Big Bang Theory...
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- 9 Leonard: Okav.
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- 13 Oh, you want to lure me in with sexy talk, that's how you do it.
- 14 Okay, why don't you guys stay across the hall and we will live here?
- 15 (exhales)
- 16 Very well. I'm on board.
- 17 Seriously?
- 18 Yes.
- 19 I accept this five-week mission to share a living space with my girlfriend.
- 20 Oh. This is so exciting.
- 21 Well, now, don't be surprised if, like Star Trek, it's canceled in three.
- 22 (dramatic music playing)
- 23 Okay, I'm confused.
- 24 Which one is Mr. Robot?
- 25 I'll give you a hint.
- 26 We're watching Daredevil.
- 27 Will you two please inform Amy how much you enjoy adhering to a strict bathroom schedule?
- 28 Can't.
- 29 Won't.
- 30 Didn't.
- 31 Don't.
- 32 Amy: I told you, you can't regulate every aspect of our lives.
- 33 I can if you'd just roll over and accept your fate.
- 34 I'm sorry for bringing this over here.
- 35 Believe me, we know what you're going through.
- 36 And I-I think the most helpful thing we can tell you is no backsies.
- 37 Mm-hmm.
- 38 Sheldon, I understand that you like things a certain way and I'm willing to make some concessions, but you have to be open to compromise.
- 39 She's right. That's reasonable.
- 40 Oh, look who's in favor of compromise, the woman who married Leonard Hofstadter.
- 41 Hey, she didn't compromise.
- 42 She settled. There's a difference.
- 43 Yeah. You tell him, babe.
- 44 Our whole universe was in a hot, dense state
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- 54 The Hot Tub Contamination
- 55 What time do you and Bernadette head out?
- 56 As soon as I get home.
- 57 We're hoping to make it before dark.
- 58 I've never been to Palm Springs.
- 59 Oh, you should go.
- 60 It's terrific. I-I really thrive anywhere the women and the temperature are over 90.
- 61 I don't know.
- 62 If I want to watch old people sweat, I can just FaceTime my family in India.
- 63 It's nice you and Bernadette are getting away.
- 64 Well, she wants us to spend more time together before the baby comes.
- 65 So then what are you doing here buying comic books?
- 66 Well, he wants us to spend more time together before the baby comes.
- 67 When you live with someone, there's gonna be conflict.
- 68 You just have to keep communicating.
- 69 I'm open to that.
- 70 Okay. Well, for starters, there's nothing wrong with keeping our tooth-brushes in the same holder.
- 71 Sheldon, what do you say to that?
- 72 I think we should see other people.
- 73 What?!
- 74 Well, as a male, I have an evolutionary drive to perpetuate my DNA.
- 75 Restricting myself to a single partner is against my nature.
- 76 We sleep together once a year!
- 77 You want other partners?
- 78 Don't blame me. Blame your pal, biology.
- 79 He's the pervert pulling the strings here.
- 80 You wanna see other people? Go see other people.
- 81 (arguing indistinctly)
- 82 I hope one of those people is a monkey, 'cause this is bananas.
- 83 You can make jokes, but if this keeps up, he's gonna move back in here.
- 84 All right. Well, let's just get them apart for a while so they can cool down.
- 85 Good.
- 86 Then before we reintroduce them, we'll give him one of her sweaters so he can get used to her scent again.
- 87 So it's okay for you to joke around?
- 88 No, that's actually what we did with him when Howard came back from space.
- 89 Honey, how ya feeling?
- 90 (Bernadette retching loudly)
- 91 The book says at this stage of the pregnancy morning sickness should be

## going away.

- 92 (retching)
- 93 So that's good news, right?
- 94 The only thing I hate more than you right now is that book!
- 95 (toilet flushes)
- 96 There she is! (chuckles)
- 97 Who's ready for a hot, three-hour car ride to the desert?
- 98 Next vomit is gonna be in your lap.
- 99 I'm sorry.
- 100 We don't have to go.
- 101 But it's our last chance to take a vacation that's just the two of us.
- 102 How 'bout we stay here?
- 103 We don't even have to tell anyone.
- 104 It'll be like a secret vacation at home.
- 105 (chuckles)
- 106 Keeping secrets from our friends- that does sound kinda fun.
- 107 Does it sound... sexy?
- 108 You just heard me throwing up.
- 109 You bet I did.
- 110 You're so weird.
- 111 You know what's weird?
- 112 How turned on you are right now.
- 113 You know, people are quick to accuse me of being difficult to live with, but the truth is, Amy is just as challenging.
- 114 Just as challenging.
- 115 Yes.
- 116 As you.
- 117 Yes.
- 118 Just as challenging as you.
- 119 When we're sleeping, she breathes on me.
- 120 One night, it got so bad I almost grabbed Toto and headed for the storm cellar.
- 121 Leonard breathes on me, too.
- 122 It's not a big deal.
- 123 She's always complaining about people at work.
- 124 Well, so does Leonard.
- 125 It's kind of annoying, but it's not the end of the world.
- 126 Do you know that when I get out of the shower, she eyes me up and down like I'm a piece of meat?
- 127 You know, so does Leonard.
- 128 Can't I just get ready in the morning without him giving me his goofy thumbs-up?
- 129 "Hey." (chuckles)
- 130 I know.
- 131 Sometimes I would just like to be appreciated for my mind.
- 132 Agreed! Thank you!

- 133 That feels great.
- 134 Well, pulling a quarter out of your ear isn't the only magic these hands can do.
- 135 In fact, wh-what's this between your toes?!
- 136 Can you please stop making money come out of me for two minutes?
- 137 (door opens)
- 138 (door shuts)
- 139 (quietly): Was that the front door?
- 140 (quietly): It sounded like it.
- 141 (footsteps)
- 142 Oh, my God. Someone's in the house.
- 143 Lock the door, lock the door!
- 144 We should call the police.
- 145 Uh... I left my phone downstairs.
- 146 Damn, so did I.
- 147 Wait, I have my iPad!
- 148 What are we gonna do, e-mail 911?
- 149 That's not helpful!
- 150 You know I rely on humor in times of stress.
- 151 Let me know when you start, because that wasn't funny!
- 152 (whirring)
- 153 (bubbling)
- 154 Is that the hot tub?
- 155 Who would use our hot tub?
- 156 (sighs)
- 157 Well, the answer is both more and less disturbing than you think.
- 158 Who is it?
- 159 Stuart.
- 160 He heard me talking about us going away.
- 161 I guess he decided to invite himself over?
- 162 Should we say something to him?
- 163 Maybe. How 'bout, "Hey, you look like a boiled chicken breast"?
- 164 I meant like, "What are you doing here?"
- 165 Nah, that's not gonna hurt his feelings.
- 166 Why is nothing easy with him?
- 167 Look, here's the thing you need to understand about Sheldon: he's the worst
- 168 I prefer to think of it as high-maintenance.
- 169 I prefer to think of myself as five-ten, but I still need to get all my pants hemmed.
- 170 I guess I should have known what I was getting myself into.
- 171 Don't beat yourself up.
- 172 You've never lived with anyone before.
- 173 That's true.
- 174 And you're starting out with Sheldon Cooper.
- 175 That's like getting your first pet and having it be-

- 176 I don't know...
- 177 What's a kind of pet that ruins your life?
- 178 You're not making me feel better.
- 179 Look, even when Penny and I started living together, there was a-a learning curve.
- 180 But I promise you, it does get easier.
- 181 He put a sign up in the bathroom that says, "Number of days without Amy's hair on the soap."
- 182 Yeah.
- 183 My record was six.
- 184 Is it me, or is there something fun about watching him just float there?
- 185 Maybe this is why people get fish tanks.
- 186 (click)
- 187 Who just turned the porch lights on?
- 188 Is someone else here?
- 189 Hmm. They must have left the tub on.
- 190 Good thing I stopped by.
- 191 Ah!
- 192 (gasping)
- 193 (screaming)
- 194 (screaming)
- 195 What are you doing here?!
- 196 What are you doing here?!
- 197 Maybe Howard and Bernadette said I could be here!
- 198 Did they?
- 199 Answer the question! What are you doing here?!
- 200 I had nothing else to do tonight.
- 201 The last couple of months, I come here when I know they're not home.
- 202 What?!
- 203 They heard me in the bushes once, but they thought it was a raccoon.
- 204 I told you raccoons don't say "Uh-oh."
- 205 You know, one night, Leonard's nose whistled so loud, I swear it was like sleeping on a train track.
- 206 Have you noticed it's always an A-flat?
- 207 Is it?
- 208 (whistles)
- 209 Oh!
- 210 It's like his sinuses are right here in the car.
- 211 If we're just going to drive around aimlessly, the least you could do is take me for ice cream.
- 212 Yeah, I'll take you for ice cream.
- 213 Well, see, why can't Amy be that subservient?
- 214 She has coitus one time, suddenly she's Gloria Steinem.
- 215 Anyway, I suppose an ice cream parlor will be a good place to meet other women.
- 216 Oh, please, you're barely interested in a physical relationship with one

### person.

- 217 Why would you want to confuse and disappoint others?
- 218 Being with Amy has awoken the sexual creature within.
- 219 When I see a pretty gal walking down the street, I think, "hubba hubba" like any other guy.
- 220 You kiss your mother with that mouth?
- 221 'Cause it's fine.
- 222 Here you go.
- 223 Thank you.
- 224 Shall we toast?
- 225 To Howard and Bernadette, and the house key they never asked me to return.
- 226 You said you got it back.
- 227 Well, clearly, I lied.
- 228 So how's your apartment?
- 229 Not great. The electricity's out.
- 230 So why don't you get it fixed?
- 231 I called, and they're like, "Pay your bill!"
- 232 Of you ever need somewhere to crash, there's always my place.
- 233 Oh, no. I don't want to be an inconvenience.
- 234 You've got all your lady friends, and...
- 235 Actually, I'm single now.
- 236 Stuart: What?!
- 237 When did that happen?
- 238 It's okay. It's by choice.
- 239 Well, their choice, and it's not okay.
- 240 Oh. Sorry. I didn't know.
- 241 Nobody does. I was embarrassed so I didn't say anything.
- 242 Why wouldn't he tell us?
- 243 Are we bad friends?
- 244 He's in our hot tub drinking our wine.
- 245 Yeah, he deserves to be alone.
- 246 So you're back out on the dating scene now?
- 247 Yeah, yeah, a little.
- 248 Oh, that must be fun. How's that going?
- 249 I'm in a hot tub with you, so pretty bad.
- 250 Maybe I should just give in to his stupid bathroom schedule.
- 251 No, don't do that.
- 252 But you did!
- 253 Exactly!
- 254 Learn from my mistakes!
- 255 No matter where I am at 7:18 a.m., there better be a toilet nearby.
- 256 It's just so much easier to give him what he wants.
- 257 Oh, true, but think of how much you've accomplished.
- 258 Who got him to stop Purelling his pocket change?
- 259 Me.

- 260 And who got him to put things other than gloves in the glove compartment?
- 261 Me.
- 262 It was mittens.
- 263 Mm.
- 264 And who got him to try a turkey dog?
- 265 That was actually Koothrappali, but I did let him spit it out in my hand.
- 266 Look, how can you stop now?
- 267 That's like walking out of Pinocchio right before he becomes a real boy.
- 268 You know, you're right.
- 269 I'm in this relationship, too.
- 270 I need to stand up for myself.
- 271 Of course you do.
- 272 And if he doesn't like it, he can move back here.
- 273 Oh. He can try. He'd just need a good locksmith.
- 274 Well, who you gonna hit on?
- 275 The girl in front of us got strawberry.
- 276 That's your favorite.
- 277 No. No, if we both like it, I'll spend the rest of my life opening the freezer and going, "Aw, no strawberry."
- 278 What about the girl behind the counter?
- 279 Hmm? Well, she spends her whole day scooping.
- 280 One arm's probably bigger than the other.
- 281 Is it possible you might not actually want to meet someone?
- 282 You are truly wise.
- 283 Thank you.
- 284 I'd say wise beyond your years, but you're getting up there.
- 285 All right.
- 286 Come on. What is really going on with you?
- 287 Penny, I am going to tell you a story that I've never told anyone.
- 288 All right.
- 289 I was 13 years old, and on spring break from college.
- 290 Not relating. Go on.
- 291 I came home early because they ran out of math to teach me.
- 292 Oh, now I'm with ya. Okay.
- 293 My mother was at bible study.
- 294 I walked in the house expecting to find it empty, and I heard a sound coming from my parents' bedroom.
- 295 When I opened the door, I saw my father having relations with another woman.
- 296 Oh, that's awful!
- 297 I know.
- 298 It's also why I never open a door without knocking three times.
- 299 I mean, the first one's traditional, but two and three are for people to get their pants on.
- 300 Well, what happened with your dad?

- 301 We locked eyes, I ran to my room, and we never, ever spoke of it.
- 302 You poor thing.
- 303 Since Amy and I have been living together, we've been bickering like my parents used to.
- 304 And you're afraid you're gonna do something like your dad did?
- 305 Yes. I need to prepare her now to save her from pain down the road.
- 306 Down the road?
- 307 Sheldon, she wanted to share a toothbrush holder with you, and now you're at an ice cream parlor trying to pick up women!
- 308 Well, anything can sound silly when you put it in that tone.
- 309 Honey, instead of worrying about pain you might cause in the future, how about trying to fix the pain you're causing her right now?
- 310 (sighs)
- 311 I'm sure you're right.
- 312 I suppose I should apologize to you, as well.
- 313 Okay.
- 314 That must have hurt watching me look for other women without ever even considering you.
- 315 Please understand that I think of you as more of a nanny.
- 316 Just finish your ice cream so I can get you home to bed.
- 317 I wonder if this is what it feels like to be Bernadette's baby.
- 318 I don't know. Bernadette's baby doesn't have a Jacuzzi jet hitting just the right spot.
- 319 Those jets are for my secret spot, not his!
- 320 What do you do in there?!
- 321 It's called relaxing, and that's all you need to know.
- 322 Well, it's getting late.
- 323 Maybe we should head home.
- 324 Yeah, you're probably right.
- 325 (sighs)
- 326 You coming?
- 327 Yeah, just give me a minute.
- 328 Why?
- 329 Well, you know how you're wearing a bathing suit?
- 330 Yeah?
- 331 I kind of went the other way.
- 332 You jackasses just bought yourselves a hot tub!
- 333 What do you think?
- 334 It's a nice enough spot.
- 335 You know, if I'm going to start standing up for myself, this is exactly the kind of thing...
- 336 We're back!
- 337 Oh, hi! Hi!
- 338 Hello.
- 339 How you guys doing?
- 340 We're doing good. I think Sheldon has something he would like to say to

### Amy.

- 341 (sighs)
- 342 I wanted to apologize for my behavior today. It...
- 343 (clears his throat)
- 344 It was unnecessary.
- 345 This is warm.
- 346 Oh, and also, I am willing to forego the bathroom schedule.
- 347 Oh. Really?
- 348 Why does she get that?! We never got that!
- 349 Do you want him back?
- 350 I'm very happy for you.
- 351 Amy, you should know I was never really interested in seeing other women.
- 352 And to prove how serious I am about us, I'm willing to take our relationship to the next level.
- 353 Amy Farrah Fowler, will you share this toothbrush holder with me?
- 354 I would love to.
- 355 Leonard: Did we really need to be here for this?
- 356 Call me crazy, but I found it moving.

# 2.6 Episode 06: The Fetal Kick Catalyst

- 1 Hey, have you ever heard of the Van Nuys Comic-Con?
- 2 Yeah.
- 3 It's a dinky little convention where they sell collectibles and get sad D-list celebrities to appear. Why?
- 4 I got asked to sign autographs there.
- 5 That's awesome!
- 6 Is this for Serial Ape-ist?
- 7 Well, it could be for the monkey movie.
- 8 It could be my hemorrhoid commercial.
- 9 The list does not go on.
- 10 When is it?
- 11 It doesn't matter.
- 12 I'm not doing it.
- 13 What? Why not?
- 14 You just said yourself, it's sad.
- 15 Yeah, but it's not pathetic.
- 16 That's where I draw the line.
- 17 Come on! We'll have fun.
- 18 I don't know.
- 19 You'll have nerds fawning all over you.
- 20 If you don't love that, this marriage is in trouble.
- 21 I guess it wouldn't hurt to meet some fans and make a little extra money.
- 22 Yeah.
- 23 Wow! An appearance by George Lucas... 's dermatologist.
- 24 Oh, I want that autograph.

- 25 Oh, yeah.
- 26 Our whole universe was in a hot, dense state
- 27 Then nearly 14 billion years ago expansion started... Wait!
- 28 The Earth began to cool
- 29 The autotrophs began to drool, Neanderthals developed tools
- 30 We built the Wall
- 31 We built the pyramids
- 32 Math, Science, History, unraveling the mystery
- 33 That all started with a big bang
- 34 Bang!
- 35 The Big Bang Theory 10x06
- 36 The Fetal Kick Catalyst
- 37 You know, with us living together, maybe we could think about having people over.
- 38 We have people over all the time.
- 39 We have the maintenance people, the pizza delivery man... that UPS driver who feels the need to ask how parts of me are hanging.
- 40 You know what I meant.
- 41 All right, fine.
- 42 Let's say that we were to entertain people.
- 43 What type of gathering did you have in mind?
- 44 Huh? A meal? Lunch?
- 45 Brunch? Dinner?
- 46 Afternoon tea? A formal tea? Hmm?
- 47 Is it a party? And if so, what kind of party?
- 48 Is it a cocktail party?
- 49 A Tupperware party?
- 50 Ooh, yeah- is it a surprise party?
- 51 Oh, I hope it's not a West Coast party, 'cause according to the man on the radio, a West Coast party don't stop.
- 52 I'm sorry I mentioned it.
- 53 Oh, don't be. You get your hopes up, I knock them down. That's called teamwork.
- 54 (gasps)
- 55 That's a kick.
- 56 That's an actual kick.
- 57 (panting)
- 58 What are you doing?
- 59 I felt a kick.
- 60 There's a baby in there.
- 61 Oh, yeah, that's where I put it.
- 62 Oh, I mean, I know you're pregnant.
- 63 I just... never connected the idea of pregnancy and you actually having a baby.
- 64 Which MIT did you go to?
- 65 (chuckles)

- 66 Oh, God, we are not ready to have an infant in this house!
- 67 We don't have a crib, we don't have diapers.
- 68 We're not baby-proofed.
- 69 Anyone can just walk in off the street and lift our toilet lids!
- 70 Howie, we have time to do all that stuff.
- 71 Do we?
- 72 Look at you.
- 73 Willy Wonka would roll you to the juicing room.
- 74 The next person kicking you will be me.
- 75 Good night.
- 76 (sighs)
- 77 (sighs)
- 78 Are we even in a good school...?
- 79 Ow!
- 80 I warned you, and I did it.
- 81 What's all this?
- 82 Oh, everything we need for your autograph session—head shots, markers.
- 83 Okay
- 84 Leonard, it's sweet you're excited about this, but it'll be a miracle if one person asks for my autograph.
- 85 Are you kidding?
- 86 I once paid 20 for Theo Sassler's signature.
- 87 Who's that?
- 88 Oh, Idon't even know.
- 89-Ijustlikedhisname. Theo Sassler!
- 90 Oh, and look at this.
- 91 Ievengotachangemaker.
- 92 Howmuch changeyouwant, little lady?
- 93 Oh, there's somuch I want to change.
- 94 Yeah, well, if it's adollar, you'r einluck.
- 95 What's going on here?
- 96-You expressed an interest in having people over, and If eel I dismissed it to oquickly.
- 97 So, Itook matters into myown hands, and I arranged a brunch.
- 98 Well, that's sonice.
- 99 Who's coming?
- 100-Oh, uh, Stuart, Bert from the geology lab, and Mrs. Petrescu from down stairs.
- 101-You mean the Romanian lady on the second floor?
- 102 Yes.
- 103 Oh, functory: shegrewup with tensiblings.
- 104-Or possibly penguins. Her English is a trocious.
- 105 That's anoddmix of people.
- 106-Well, for our first time hosting, I thought it would be wise to conduct a trial run.
- 107-Youknow, likehow I practice dfor that Halloween haunted house by going into the bathroom at the bus station.
- 108-Youneverwent into that haunted house.
- 109-Youneversaw what jumped out at meat the bus station.
- 110 Well, thankyou, Sheldon.

- 111 This is a fun surprise.
- 112-Oh. Well, the real surprise is how surprise dyou are that I'm great at surprises.
- 113 Well, that's not a surprise at all.
- 114-Imean, if Iknewyouwere good at surprises, I would have expected the surprise, and therefore not have been supported by the property of t
- 115 Butasitis, Ididn'tknow, and therefore mysurprises hould be unsurprising.
- 116-Don't get meal lrandy. Guests are on the way.
- 117 Hi.
- 118 Hey, whereyoubeen?
- 119 Oh, we went and did a little shopping for the baby.
- 120-Waittilly ous ee the cribwe found.
- 121-You bought a crib without me?
- 122-You're gonnal oveit.
- 123 Yeah.
- 124 It's the highest rate done on the market.
- 125 Iwouldn't even callita crib.
- 126 I'd callita Fortress of Solitude for babies.
- 127 Sounds expensive.
- 128 Okay, well, Imay have goneabitoverboard, but you can't put a price on safety.
- 129-Thoughify oudid, it's more zeroes than you're expecting.
- 130 Butit's the safe stcriby out an buy.
- 131 Andifyoudon't like it, we can return it.
- 132 Fine.
- 133-In our new minivan.
- 134 Hey, what's for lunch?
- 135 Youboughtaminivan?!
- 136 It's for the baby, and I didn't buy it.
- 137-The dealer loaned it to me for a 24-hourt est drive.
- 138-Thoughwe didding up the backpretty good with the crib, so you might have bought a minivan.
- 139-Idon't want to drive that. It's such a momear.
- 140-The guyat the dealerships aid they'r enot just for moms anymore.
- 141-Then again, he did thinkyouwer emyhus band.
- 142-They thought it at the ultra sound.
- 143 Whynotatthe cardealership?
- 144-Neverbeen on this side of the table before.
- 145 If eelpowerful.
- 146 Really?
- 147-I feellike I'm selling can dy so our team can get new uniforms.
- 148 Okay, soit's 4.75 for a signed black-and-white and 9.95 for a color.
- 149 Right. Why not five and tenbucks?
- 150-Well, Ibrought mymoney maker. Let meshake it.
- 151 Hey, that guy's looking overhere.
- 152 Oh. Youthinkhe's your first autograph?
- 153 Idon'tknow.Becool.He's coming.He's coming.
- 154 Hi!
- 155 Hi.
- 156-Il ovey our movie.

- 157 Well, thanks.
- 158-It has got to be one of the worst things I've ever seen in my life.
- 159 Your love confusesme.
- 160 Would you like a nautograph?
- 161 Sure.
- 162 Okay. Whodo I make it out to?
- 163 Daniel.
- 164 Okay.
- 165 Ihave to ask.
- 166-We reyout rying to be that bad, or a reyoujust a terrible actress?
- 167-That did not clear thing sup.
- 168 That'llbe 4.75.
- 169 Keep the change.
- 170 But I... Oh.
- 171 Nothing about that was good.
- 172 Mm-mm.
- 173 There's nothing to be afraid of, Sheldon.
- 174 The average cork speed is 25 miles per hour.
- 175 If that is too fast around a school, it is certainly too fast around a kitchen.
- 176 Been 15 minutes. Just sayin'.
- 177 Okay. I can do this.
- 178 Just give me a moment...
- 179 (cork pops, Sheldon shrieks)
- 180 Oh!
- 181 Mimosas coming up.
- 182 I once left orange juice in my fridge so long, it tasted like a mimosa.
- 183 How old was it?
- 184 It's hard to say.
- 185 I don't remember much after I drank it.
- 186 Would you like one, Mrs. Petrescu?
- 187 Yes. Drink is fun and good friends—Applebee's.
- 188 She's learning English from TV.
- 189 TV, good. Now back to you.
- 190 (knock on door)
- 191 Hey, guys.
- 192 Hi, Stuart.
- 193 These are for you.
- 194 Oh, they're pretty.
- 195 Thank you.
- 196 Stuart, this is Bert from the Caltech geology lab, and this is Mrs. Petrescu
- from downstairs.
- 197 Nice to meet you.
- 198 Hello.
- 199 Hey.
- 200 So, what did I miss?
- 201 Eh, we watched Sheldon try to open a bottle for 15 minutes.

- 202 15 minutes can save you 15203 Anybody else coming to this thing? Uh...
- 204 What's your name? Okay.
- 205 Jeff.
- 206 Okay.
- 207 My favorite part is your shower scene.
- 208 Been hearing that a lot today. (clears throat)
- 209 I even have a screen grab on my phone.
- 210 Yep, there they are.
- 211 Okay, let's keep it moving.
- 212 Here you go. (chuckles)
- 213 Should've punched that guy.
- 214 Well, go ahead. He's right over there.
- 215 Why do you do that?
- 216 Can't you let me have my moment?
- 217 Hello.
- 218 Hi.
- 219 I like your movies.
- 220 Thank you!
- 221 I saw both of them.
- 222 I assume we're still talking about the movies, but after today, who knows.
- 223 You think I could get a picture of us?
- 224 Oh, sure.
- 225 And, uh, could you be giving me a kiss?
- 226 No. She cannot kiss...
- 227 What is wrong with you people?!
- 228 Leonard...
- 229 No, no, no. It's not okay.
- 230 Who are you?
- 231 I'm her husband.
- 232 No, you're not.
- 233 I am.
- 234 Yeah, he really is.
- 235 No.
- 236 It's got a rearview camera, there's a DVD player- oh, and check this out.
- 237 It's like we're living in the future!
- 238 Hey, show her the trunk! Show her the trunk!
- 239 Imagine this: you've got the baby in one hand, groceries in the other, and you're thinking, "How am I gonna open this trunk?"
- 240 I'm probably thinking, "Where's my husband, and why isn't he helping me?"
- 241 You don't need my help when you can open the trunk with a simple kick of the foot.
- 242 No, it's a gentle kick; you're doing it wrong.
- 243 Here. Give me those.
- 244 Uh, maybe it was more of a circle?
- 245 It's weird that guy thought you were a couple.

- 246 Yes! Yes!
- 247 (chuckles) See?
- 248 Easy. And look at all this cargo space.
- 249 You know, we'll get the crib out and you can take it for a test-drive.
- 250 I'm telling you, this van is gonna be...
- 251 (yelps)
- 252 (whimpering)
- 253 Oh, is it your back?
- 254 Uh... yeah.
- 255 (panting)
- 256 Anyway, let's just get in and see if the GPS can take us to the nearest emergency room.
- 257 So until Amy's apartment is fixed, she and I are living here together.
- 258 I lived with my old girlfriend.
- 259 She was a geologist, too.
- 260 Things didn't work out?
- 261 I came home from work one day and she had taken everything.
- 262 I'm warning you, hide your good rocks.
- 263 My sister's husband took all her things, too.
- 264 Story at 11:00.
- 265 Really, no one else is coming?
- 266 Oh, this is it.
- 267 You are the practice round.
- 268 Practice round? For-for what?
- 269 Uh, no. He-he just means that you were the first people we thought of.
- 270 Sheldon: You know, exactly.
- 271 We've never thrown a brunch before, and I wanted to work out all the kinks.
- 272 So, I'm like a lab rat before your real friends come over?
- 273 Oh.
- 274 You see, your words sound reasonable, but your face looks angry.
- 275 Help me out here. This is not where I shine.
- 276 Stuart, you know you're one of our favorite people.
- 277 Okay, now, see, you look sincere, but your words are completely false.
- 278 I'm glad we did this test run.
- 279 These brunches are wild!
- 280 But how did you get her to go out with you?
- 281 Well, she moved in across the hall.
- 282 And he started to slowly wear me down.
- 283 Mm-hmm.
- 284 Like a river carves a canyon.
- 285 Yeah, except the river kept showing me his Pokémon cards.
- 286 Ready to go?
- 287 Hang on. This guy's telling me how he got the Serial Ape-ist girl to marry him.
- 288 This guy?

- 289 But he's wearing a change maker.
- 290 I think it's hot.
- 291 That's right.
- 292 I'm her change daddy.
- 293 (groans)
- 294 What was I thinking?
- 295 Wolowitzes are not a lifting people!
- 296 We tip the lifting people!
- 297 (panting)
- 298 Do we really have to sit for hours in the emergency room?
- 299 They're just gonna give you ice and Advil like last time.
- 300 You're gonna feel terrible when I'm in a wheelchair.
- 301 (panting)
- 302 Which, by the way, would fit easily in the back of this award-winning minivan.
- 303 Fine, we'll go to the E.R. Just stop selling me on the van.
- 304 You're right. It sells itself.
- 305 You have to admit, it's a pretty smooth ride.
- 306 I was hoping it'd be quieter.
- 307 If childbirth is half this bad, you are so screwed!
- 308 Are we there yet?!
- 309 Soon.
- 310 Why is it taking so long?!
- 311 H-Howard, Howard, look at the DVD screen.
- 312 I put on Batman: The Animated Series. Your favorite!
- 313 I'm in too much pain (Batman music playing) to watch cartoo...
- 314 Oh! This is a good one.
- 315 I've been babysitting him way longer than you have.
- 316 Fine. I'll buy the stupid van.
- 317 This is the best blintz I've ever had.
- 318 Oh. Thank you.
- 319 It almost makes up for the incredibly awkward turn things took earlier.
- 320 You know what, I-I think I'm just gonna go.
- 321 No, Stuart, don't.
- 322 No, I-I consider you and Sheldon like my family, and I'm not even sure you think of me as a friend.
- 323 You have any idea how that feels?
- 324 We're so sorry.
- 325 I'm always the last one anybody thinks of.
- 326 Well, no, that's not true.
- 327 I mean, sometimes it's Koothrappali.
- 328 But we're not supposed to say that 'cause he's a minority.
- 329 Bye.
- 330 (stammers) Stuart, wait.
- 331 I do know what it feels like to be left out.
- 332 I know how it feels, too.

- 333 All right, this is about me and him; you're not part of it.
- 334 Stuart, perhaps we do take you for granted, and that is not acceptable.
- 335 Please know that you truly are a valuable member of our social group.
- 336 Thank you.
- 337 You know, in fact, I'd like to propose a toast.
- 338 To Stuart.
- 339 A fine man, a good friend and a wonderful guest.
- 340 Hear, hear.
- 341 Cheers.
- 342 Cheers. Filmed before a live studio audience.
- 343 And that is how a short asthmatic scientist landed a stone cold fox.
- 344 (chuckles): Oh. Whoa.
- 345 I didn't know you can propose to the same person so many times.
- 346 The third time, I did it in skywriting, but she never looked up.
- 347 You know, once, I proposed to him.
- 348 Yeah. I said no.
- 349 Why?
- 350 I just wanted to make her work for it.
- 351 Yeah, that's gonna cost you later.
- 352 Hang on. Is she just with you because you're rich?
- 353 She makes more money than I do!
- 354 (laughing): What?! Who are you?!
- 355 (slurring): Do you know what else I love about you?
- 356 Hmm?
- 357 Y-Your handwriting is impeccable!
- 358 (slurring): Thank you for noticing!
- 359 No, I mean it. I mean it.
- 360 It's like you have the soul of a label maker.
- 361 You know what I love about you?
- 362 Hmm?
- 363 You never leave the house without a paper clip!
- 364 You never know when two pieces of paper might temporarily need fastening in the top left corner.
- 365 I also love how you never use swear words.
- 366 You know, it turns out, you can hurt people just as well without 'em.
- 367 Maybe I can get a little help putting some of this stuff away.
- 368 Oh, calm down.
- 369 I already put away five of these!
- 370 (laughs) You see?
- 371 No muss, no fuss, not a single cuss.

## 2.7 Episode 07: The Veracity Elasticity

- 1 Hello, I'm Dr. Sheldon Cooper.
- 2 And I'm Dr. Amy Farrah Fowler.
- 3 And welcome to the first "on location" episode of Dr. Sheldon Cooper and

- Dr. Amy Farrah Fowler present:
- 4 Both: Dr. Sheldon Cooper's Fun with Flags.
- 5 Hit it.
- 6 (keyboard intro)
- 7 (guitar and keyboard play)
- 8 For joy and fun
- 9 There's no better manner
- 10 Than to fly a pennant
- 11 Flag or banner
- 12 Koothrappali: What fills my heart
- 13 And makes my eyes moist
- 14 Sending a flag
- 15 Up a pole on a hoist
- 16 Both: Fun with flags
- 17 Fun with flags
- 18 Oh! Say can you see
- 19 It's fun with flags
- 20 Both: Fun with flags.
- 21 As you may notice, just one of the changes around here is our new house band.
- 22 (plays keyboard solo)
- 23 Who haven't learned their place yet.
- 24 We're also coming to you live from a different apartment.
- 25 Dr. Fowler and I began an experiment in living together after her apartment became water damaged.
- 26 This is our friend Penny's place.
- 27 You may remember her from our episode "Flags: And the People Who Don't Understand Them."
- 28 So, in the spirit of cohabitation, the theme of today's episode is flags of two regions coming together as one.
- 29 Such as the flag of St. Kitts and Nevis.
- 30 So, let's roll up our "sleevis" and get to know Nevis.
- 31 (rimshot)
- 32 Well, I-I like that, but next time check with me.
- 33 Did you know that the flag was designed by a student named Edrice Lewis...
- 34 I can't believe I'm saying this, but can we watch the news or something?
- 35 It's cute, they're having fun living together.
- 36 Yeah, I wonder what they're gonna do when her apartment's ready.
- 37 Actually, it's been ready for weeks.
- 38 What do you mean?
- 39 Well, they finished the work early, but she's been telling Sheldon they're behind schedule.
- 40 So, she's just been lying to him?
- 41 Well, you've lied to Sheldon.
- 42 Yeah, but to make him leave, not to make him stay.
- 43 Buda and Pest united to form Budapest.

- 44 And that's why Budapest "Budabest."
- 45 Now.
- 46 Oh, right.
- 47 (rimshot)
- 48 Our whole universe was in a hot, dense state
- 49 Then nearly 14 billion years ago expansion started... Wait!
- 50 The Earth began to cool
- 51 The autotrophs began to drool, Neanderthals developed tools
- 52 We built the Wall
- 53 We built the pyramids
- 54 Math, Science, History, unraveling the mystery
- 55 That all started with a big bang
- 56 Bang!
- 57 The Big Bang Theory  $10\mathrm{x}07$
- 58 The Veracity Elasticity
- 59 Thank you for your services, gentlemen.
- 60 Now, I'm hoping to broaden our audience with your youthful rock and roll music.
- 61 (chuckling): Aw, you think you have an audience, that's funny.
- 62 We don't get paid? Nothing?
- 63 Not even a sandwich?
- 64 It's almost dinner time.
- 65 You in the mood for anything?
- 66 Yeah, we could get Thai food near your apartment and then drop in and check on the progress.
- 67 Oh, you don't want do that, it's a construction zone.
- 68 So?
- 69 Well, what about your fear of stray nails and butt cracks?
- 70 I am terrified of stepping on a nail and falling into a butt crack.
- 71 Anyway, how about dinner?
- 72 You know, if you'd like, I could call your landlord and complain.
- 73 Thanks, but you don't have to.
- 74 Oh, I don't mind, I'm very good at complaining.
- 75 If it were an Olympic sport, I'd complain about what a stupid sport it is and then I'd take home the gold.
- 76 Good stuff.
- 77 So, uh, what about dinner?
- 78 Is it me or are you purposely changing the subject?
- 79 No.
- 80 And on the subject of subjects, is your use of the word "subject" the same or different as when we speak about the subject of a king?
- 81 I have a feeling you're still doing it.
- 82 But I find that topic irresistible, so, now, in ancient Mesopotamia, the king referred to the people as his property.
- 83 I'm serious, JPL's actually developing a robot arm that could grab an asteroid before it hits us.

- 84 So their plan for saving the Earth from Armageddon is hoping a bunch of scientists can catch a ball?
- 85 If we're all gonna die, why am I eating so much kale?
- 86 You're awful quiet, everything okay?
- 87 I'm concerned about Amy.
- 88 She's acting a bit odd lately.
- 89 Oh. Well, j-just out of curiosity, what registers as odd to you?
- 90 (laughter)
- 91 Her behavior.
- 92 No, I have the feeling that she's hiding something.
- 93 I wouldn't worry about it.
- 94 She's probably just distracted by work.
- 95 Well, whatever it is, it's troubling me.
- 96 And I can't eat, I can't sleep.
- 97 And don't even ask about the consistency of my bowel movements.
- 98 You heard him, guys, don't ask.
- 99 Why would she keep something from me, you know?
- 100 I shared my body with that woman.
- 101 And my Netflix password.
- 102 They recommended Stella Got Her Groove Back because of her.
- 103 Buddy, buddy, listen, nothing bad is going on, she just... she just didn't want you to know that the work on her apartment was finished a couple weeks ago.
- 104 I don't understand.
- 105 She's enjoying living with you and she didn't want it to end early.
- 106 So, she's deceiving me in order to spend more time with me.
- 107 Yes.
- 108 Oh.
- 109 Well, I feel both flattered and hurt.
- 110 Like when people say I look like that skeleton from Nightmare Before Christmas.
- 111 Oh my God, that's who you look like.
- 112 Sheldon, this is not a big deal.
- 113 It's a little white lie, everyone does it.
- 114 Koothrappali: Not me, I'm a 100115 And how single are you right now?
- 116 Eating-cake-on-the-toilet single.
- 117 Well, I won't tolerate deception in my relationship.
- 118 I have no choice but to confront her.
- 119 Don't do that, you've got gold here.
- 120 Hang onto it until you're in trouble and then... throw it in her face.
- 121 Leonard: What?
- 122 Why would you tell him that?
- 123 That's terrible advice.
- 124 So you wouldn't want to have anything on Penny?
- 125 Well, of course not.
- 126 So, if I actually know something right now... and I do...

- 127 ...you don't want me to tell you?
- 128 Uh...
- 129 Pfft, no.
- 130 I'll take that as a "Yes."
- 131 She's secretly been moving your collectibles into storage a little at a time and you haven't noticed.
- 132 Are you kidding me?
- 133 See, I've known that for weeks, but, you know, I waited till the moment when it would cause him the most pain.
- 134 Superman's gone, my stormtrooper's gone.
- 135 Your Klingon word-of-the-day calendar's gone.
- 136 I'd say "damn it" in Klingon, but that wasn't until next month.
- 137 It's "khoo-vakh."
- 138 Khoo-vakh!
- 139 She took my Where's Waldo.
- 140 Well, no, no, he's over there.
- 141 Oh, yeah, there he is.
- 142 So, what's the deal with your apartment?
- 143 Why's it taking so long?
- 144 Um, it was a drywall problem.
- 145 Oh, no, what happened?
- 146 Well, the drywall got wet, and you do not want wet drywall because when drywall gets wet, it's really more...
- 147 Wet wall?
- 148 Or damp wall, just as bad.
- 149 Mm.
- 150 So why don't they just get more drywall?
- 151 Well, they went to get some, but the woman at the wall store said it was going on sale and they should wait because the savings...
- 152 Okay, are you done?
- 153 Bernadette told me your apartment's ready.
- 154 I was done at wet wall, but you wouldn't let it go.
- 155 But is Sheldon really believing all this crap?
- 156 Well, he started to question it, but then I fake sneezed on him and he ran to take a shower.
- 157 Please don't say anything, I feel terrible about this.
- 158 Oh, don't worry, I won't.
- 159 Thanks.
- 160 "The woman at the wall store?" Let it go!
- 161 Are you going to confront Penny?
- 162 Eventually, I guess.
- 163 Although, I am kind of curious how long she thinks she can keep hiding my stuff without me knowing.
- 164 Hmm.
- 165 You know, perhaps instead of confronting them, we should see how far they're willing to spin their tangled webs.

- 166 Like that Spider-Man action figure that used to be on your desk.
- 167 Oh, my God, I'm going blind.
- 168 Hi.
- 169 Food's here.
- 170 Oh.
- 171 Excellent.
- 172 I'm very hungry.
- 173 Yeah, speaking of which, what's going on with your apartment?
- 174 Oh, uh, they're still working on it.
- 175 Interesting.
- 176 Very interesting.
- 177 Yeah, we swung by her apartment on the way to the restaurant, and they're gonna be fixing it for a while.
- 178 Wait, uh... you saw her apartment?
- 179 I did, still a mess.
- 180 Leonard?
- 181 Yeah?
- 182 W-Why are you speaking Klingon?
- 183 Why are you speaking English?
- 184 This is ridiculous.
- 185 Penny, do you remember when I taught you Ubbi Dubbi?
- 186 (speaks Ubbi Dubbi)
- 187 (speaking Ubbi Dubbi)
- 188 Oh, wait, stop that.
- 189 You stop that.
- 190 (speaks Klingon)
- 191 (speaks Klingon)
- 192 Penny: Okay.
- 193 That's enough.
- 194 You know what?
- 195 What is going on?
- 196 Fine, I told Sheldon that her apartment's been finished, but then you just said it's not, so now I'm all confused.
- 197 Penny was just covering for me.
- 198 My place has been ready for two weeks.
- 199 How could you lie to me?
- 200 Uh, she's enjoyed living with you.
- 201 It's called being in love.
- 202 Mm-hmm, and what's it called when you secretly get rid of all your husband's stuff?
- 203 Wha... That is not true!
- 204 Wh-wh-wh... Bernadette told Howard, Howard told me.
- 205 Plus, I can see all my stuff is gone!
- 206 Oh, so, you believe your friend, and your friend's wife and your own eyes over me?
- 207 Wow.

- 208 You really didn't think I'd notice my stuff was missing?
- 209 Uh, did you notice your key chain?
- 210 Where's Batman?!
- 211 Hey.
- 212 Why did you tell Howard I was hiding Leonard's things?
- 213 One sec.
- 214 Why did you tell Leonard I told you Penny was hiding his things?!
- 215 It just came up because we-we were talking about secrets and...
- 216 Wait.
- 217 (speaks Klingon)
- 218 Everybody stop it with that!
- 219 I'm not really a part of this, so I'm just gonna dig in.
- 220 And I'd like to know why you blabbed about my apartment.
- 221 You're up, blabby.
- 222 Amy, I'm sorry, I shouldn't have said anything.
- 223 I guess it's okay.
- 224 I'm sorry that I lied about my apartment.
- 225 It's all right.
- 226 And...
- 227 And what?
- 228 Your wizard robes are next to go.
- 229 Now that everything's out on the table, you-you think you two will keep living together?
- 230 Despite recent events, I do consider our experiment in cohabitation to have been positive.
- 231 Are you saying you'd like to live with me?
- 232 I'm open to the possibility.
- 233 (gasps)
- 234 (speaks Ubbi Dubbi)
- 235 Whatever.
- 236 You know, if he moves across the hall for good, Leonard could keep the stuff you don't like in Sheldon's old room.
- 237 Solves everything. That's a great idea!
- 238 Ooh, maybe I could turn it into a gaming den.
- 239 That would be amazing.
- 240 Wait, wait, hold on, do what?
- 241 Excuse me... that's my room.
- 242 But you won't be living here.
- 243 But that's my room.
- 244 But you won't be living here.
- 245 But that's my room.
- 246 You guys might want to start eating.
- 247 But you won't be living here.
- 248 Sweetie, once you stop paying rent, none of this is really yours.
- 249 But that's my room.
- 250 All: But you won't be living here!

- 251 Thank you for understanding.
- 252 Hey, I get it.
- 253 Everybody wants to spend more time with me.
- 254 I'm like a man made of sugar in a world of ants.
- 255 Good night.
- 256 Mm, night.
- 257 (smoothes)
- 258 If we did continue living together, would it be here?
- 259 I don't know.
- 260 It-It could be.
- 261 Of course there's... there's always your apartment.
- 262 S-Sure, sure, we-we could live in my apartment.
- 263 I hate your apartment.
- 264 Sorry, you brought it up?
- 265 Well, I suppose we could find a whole new place.
- 266 You know, and, technically, we don't even have to stay in Pasadena.
- 267 We could, we could move to Altadena... or a place that doesn't even end in "Dena."
- 268 It's kind of exciting.
- 269 I mean... we could do whatever we want.
- 270 But what if we move and we don't like it?
- 271 What if there's a smoker in the building?
- 272 Or pets?
- 273 Or there could be mold.
- 274 There could be traffic noise.
- 275 (humming "Theme from Star Trek")
- 276 I'm gonna have to learn a whole new bus route.
- 277 (humming "Theme from Star Trek")
- 278 (stops humming)
- 279 Are you trying to soothe me by singing the Star Trek theme as a lullaby?
- 280 Yes.
- 281 I'm not a child, don't do that.
- 282 Sorry.
- 283 Do you know 2001: A Space Odyssey?
- 284 (humming "Also sprach Zarathustra")
- 285 All right, now that's soothing.
- 286 (continues humming "Also sprach Zarathustra")
- 287 Look, I-I get it, this is still my room; we haven't really made it yours.
- 288 Thank you.
- 289 Which is why I got you this Pink Power Ranger.
- 290 Put it anywhere you like.
- 291 Okay, but you may feel some discomfort.
- 292 I'm kidding, I want you to feel at home here.
- 293 Decorate it any way that makes you happy.
- 294 Do you really mean that?
- 295 I really do.

- 296 Great, and just so you know, I'm not getting rid of all your stuff.
- 297 Yeah? What are you keeping?
- 298 That candle and you.
- 299 What about my robot poster?
- 300 Buh, buh, buh, buh, buh.
- 301 I can make do with just the candle.
- 302 What's going on?
- 303 I'm struggling with the thought of leaving my old bedroom.
- 304 Can it be more of an internal struggle?
- 305 I need to see it.
- 306 While I'm gone, don't breathe on my pillow.
- 307 How about if I just don't breathe at all?
- 308 That's my girl.
- 309 (dance music playing)
- 310 What on earth?
- 311 What is going on?!
- 312 Oh, hey, Sheldon.
- 313 We turned your room into a s\*x dungeon.
- 314 Oh!
- 315 No!
- 316 What is happening?!
- 317 Okay, last question.
- 318 The chaps he was wearing... assless?
- 319 Can we just focus on the decision I'm facing?
- 320 We can, but for the record, all chaps are assless.
- 321 Gentlemen, please, this is a significant decision.
- 322 Now, do Amy and I continue living together?
- 323 Or do I move back in with Leonard?
- 324 Over my assless chaps you will.
- 325 This isn't complicated.
- 326 Do you love Amy?
- 327 Yes.
- 328 Do you like living with her?
- 329 Yes.
- 330 Do you know what you need to do now?
- 331 Apparently, figure this out on my own 'cause you guys are no help at all.
- 332 Hi.
- 333 Hello.
- 334 What are you doing?
- 335 I'm just contemplating Buridan's donkey.
- 336 I understand.
- 337 I'll leave you be.
- 338 What, you're familiar with the reference?
- 339 Of course.
- 340 Jean Buridan proposed a philosophical thesis stating that a hungry donkey placed between two equidistant bales of hay would be paralyzed by indecision

- and would starve to death.
- 341 Exactly.
- 342 Well, I wouldn't want you to starve to death, so...
- 343 ...here's an eggplant.
- 344 Thank you.
- 345 You know, some people believe that Buridan was plagiarizing Aristotle.
- 346 Really?
- 347 Although, in Aristotle's example, he proposed an equally hungry and thirsty man caught between food and drink.
- 348 Huh.
- 349 Yeah, I wonder if that's related to the 12th century Persian philosopher, Al-Ghazali and his story of a man caught between two dates.
- 350 Are you suggesting Al-Ghazali was Aristotelian?
- 351 'Cause if anything, he was anti-Aristotelian.
- 352 Al-Ghazali was anti-Aristotelian?
- 353 Boy, you think you know a guy.
- 354 Okay.
- 355 Open your eyes and see your new room.
- 356 Wow.
- 357 I-I know I went a little overboard.
- 358 We can always dial it back.
- 359 No, no, no, no, no, it's-it's important to me that you have the bedroom you want.
- 360 Oh, that means so much. I love you.
- 361 I love you, too.
- 362 (smoothes)
- 363 Just hiding some stuff in your closet, don't tell Penny.

#### 2.8 Episode 08: The Brain Bowl Incubation

- 1 How much will it hurt?
- 2 It's just a tiny skin sample.
- 3 You saw me do it to myself.
- 4 On a scale of one to ten, where one is a pebble in your shoe and ten is the monkey you thought was your pet biting your face off.
- 5 A two.
- 6 Eating a whole Altoid?
- 7 Sheldon, if I'm gonna synthesize a neural network from our skin cells, I need to harvest them.
- 8 Now, I've done this dozens of times, but if you're too scared you don't have to
- 9 No, this is for science.
- 10 I can be brave for science.
- 11 Thank you.
- 12 Oh, jiminy, that's cold!
- 13 Just think how happy you'll be in a few weeks when I've converted our skin

cells into functional brain cells.

- 14 All right, just warn me before you do it.
- 15 Okay.
- 16 Three... two... and we're done.
- 17 You tricked me.
- 18 You didn't say one.
- 19 It didn't hurt, did it?
- 20 No... but "three, two and we're done" is incomplete.
- 21 You know those things bother me.
- 22 It's like hearing "da-da-da-da-da-dah" without yelling...
- 23 Okay, fine, one.
- 24 Thank you.
- 25 Now yell "Charge" and we can get out of here.
- 26 Our whole universe was in a hot, dense state
- 27 Then nearly 14 billion years ago expansion started... Wait!
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- 29 The autotrophs began to drool, Neanderthals developed tools
- 30 We built the Wall
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- 33 That all started with a big bang
- 34 Bang!
- 35 The Big Bang Theory 10x08
- 36 The Brain Bowl Incubation
- 37 Oh, my God, I just got it.
- 38 Fun onions...
- 39 Funyuns.
- 40 (laughs)
- 41 Hold on.
- 42 Is that a wobble?
- 43 Yes.
- 44 That's definitely a gravitational wobble.
- 45 Uh, sorry, I could come back.
- 46 Oh, no, it's okay.
- 47 I-I just found a wobble.
- 48 Oh, do I need a mop?
- 49 It's a gravitational wobble.
- 50 It could be a sign of an extrasolar planet that may contain life and someday be named after me.
- 51 Oh... well, if it has life, maybe it already has a name, huh?
- 52 Yeah, but it's probably difficult to pronounce.
- 53 What is your name?
- 54 Rajesh Ramayan Koothrappali.
- 55 You think it would be more difficult than that?
- 56 Good point.
- 57 And you are?

- 58 Oh, uh, Issabella Maria Concepcion.
- 59 Oh, well, nice to meet you.
- 60 Nice to meet you, too.
- 61 You know, I have to say, based on the candy wrappers and the bags of junk food I see in this trash, I thought the person working here was ten years old.
- 62 Oh, please, show me a ten-year-old who knows to dip Tootsie Rolls in Nutella.
- 63 Bueno, um, I'm just going to empty your waste paper basket and then I'll get out of your way.
- 64 Oh, please, allow me.
- 65 That's a lot of empty calories.
- 66 Thank you.
- 67 You're welcome.
- 68 Okay, uh, okay, I-I-I have to go.
- 69 Okav.
- 70 Good luck with your, um, space exploration.
- 71 Thank you.
- 72 Good luck with your... future endeavors.
- 73 Did it work?
- 74 Are they brain cells yet?
- 75 If you'd give me a minute, I'll tell you.
- 76 Oh, just let me look.
- 77 (gasps)
- 78 Oh, my goodness!
- 79 I see quivering black lines.
- 80 Those must be neurons.
- 81 Oh, they're so thick and beautiful.
- 82 Those are your eyelashes, move.
- 83 Well, Sheldon...
- 84 I see astrocytes.
- 85 Our combined skin cells are now a primitive neural network.
- 86 I have such a profound sense of creation.
- 87 I ju... it's like when I hatched Sea-Monkeys, except that this is from my DNA, so this is like...
- 88 Me-Monkeys.
- 89 These cells come from both of us.
- 90 Yeah, but Us-Monkeys doesn't pop.
- 91 Oh, oh, oh, oh, wait!
- 92 We-Monkeys, there you go.
- 93 Hey.
- 94 When can we start running tests on it?
- 95 No reason we can't start right now.
- 96 What stimulus should we introduce it to first?
- 97 L-Light, sound, temperature...
- 98 Oh! Oh! Let's expose it to images of me and you and see who it likes better.

- 99 Sheldon, this is a rudimentary collection of neurons.
- 100 I mean, it's remarkable, but it's still limited in what it can do.
- 101 I understand.
- 102 She's the mean one, I'm the fun one.
- 103 Huh, they screwed up and gave us steamed broccoli.
- 104 Oh, no, that's mine.
- 105 Really?
- 106 The last green thing I saw you eat was a Skittle.
- 107 Well, I can't eat like a ten-year-old all the time.
- 108 You're dating somebody, who is it?
- 109 What?
- 110 What are you talking about?
- 111 You only watch what you eat when you're afraid you might have to take your shirt off.
- 112 No, she's right.
- 113 As long as I've known you, you've always been self-conscious about your cleavage.
- 114 It's because you keep trying to stick pencils in it.
- 115 All right, fine, don't tell us.
- 116 There's nothing to tell.
- 117 All right.
- 118 How's that broccoli?
- 119 It's gross but I have to eat it because I met somebody.
- 120 Bam.
- 121 Thank you.
- 122 What's her name?
- 123 Issabella.
- 124 Oh, did you meet her at work?
- 125 Yes, in the telescope room.
- 126 Oh, so she's an astronomer?
- 127 Yes... which is why she was in the telescope room.
- 128 Yes, this is all making sense.
- 129 Good.
- 130 Well, that's great, Raj.
- 131 You must have so much in common.
- 132 Mm-hmm.
- 133 So, when do we meet her?
- 134 No, no, this is brand-new.
- 135 We haven't even been on a proper date yet.
- 136 Okay, well, good luck with it.
- 137 Thank you.
- 138 How come you never eat broccoli?
- 139 I'm married, I don't have to be attractive.
- 140 You know, most people don't realize this technique has actually been around for a few years.
- 141 Still, I can't believe you can turn ordinary skin cells into functioning brain

cells.

- 142 Well, I turned this one into a functioning boyfriend, so sky's the limit.
- 143 Look, look... here I am standing next to the incubator.
- 144 Uh, here is a microscopic view of the cells.
- 145 Look at that, put them in a tiny Flash T-shirt and it's you.
- 146 Oh.
- 147 Yeah, this little guy can already recognize electronically transmitted images 20148 I'm running out of ways to act excited.
- 149 So, enough about us, how are things going with you?
- 150 Great, the doctor said the baby's head is facing down now.
- 151 Good, you know, in case the exit isn't clearly marked.
- 152 Yeah, I have to say, it is nice to share this experience with someone who's on the same journey.
- 153 Although right now ours is testing off the charts while yours is floating around in its own waste.
- 154 Are you actually comparing my human baby to your brain in a bowl?
- 155 Well, I didn't make you waddle up four flights of stairs for the heck of it.
- 156 You do realize my baby has functioning organs and can recognize voices.
- 157 Yeah, but ours can recognize a specific data stream among background noise.
- 158 Mine has a fully developed immune system.
- 159 Ours doesn't need an immune system because it lives in a state-of-the-art German incubator.
- 160 Sheldon, that's enough.
- 161 Oh, yeah, no, fine.
- 162 Let's just agree that both creations are special in their own way and it is foolish to try and compare them.
- 163 Although, we didn't need to have s\*x with Howard for ours, so we win.
- 164 Koothrappali: This is fun.
- 165 I have never cleaned a toilet before.
- 166 You're kidding.
- 167 No, I grew up with a house full of servants and now I have a cleaning ladv...
- 168 ...who is a lovely woman who I have great respect for.
- 169 It's okay, you're allowed to have a cleaning lady.
- 170 Oh, good, because she also walks my dog, buys my groceries and cuts my hair
- 171 I think that's called a mommy.
- 172 Uh...
- 173 So, forgive me... forgive me for being nosy, but is-is there a wedding ring under those pretty rubber gloves?
- 174 No, not for many years.
- 175 Oh, so, you are unencumbered?
- 176 Just me and my son.
- 177 I love kids, how old is he?
- 178 Nineteen.

- 179 That's a cute age.
- 180 They can do so many things.
- 181 He's studying to be a lawyer at UCLA.
- 182 That's wonderful.
- 183 A lawyer, my sister's a lawyer.
- 184 Look at that, we have something in common.
- 185 Yeah, I guess we do.
- 186 Maybe there are other things we have in common.
- 187 C-Come dinnertime, do you enjoy eating food?
- 188 Ay, Rajesh, I think you're very sweet, but (sighs)
- 189 I work two jobs and I don't have time for dating.
- 190 Yeah, sure. I understand.
- 191 Yeah, I'm very busy, too.
- 192 Oh, please don't take it personal, I think you're a very nice man.
- 193 I think you're very nice as well.
- 194 Thank you for helping me.
- 195 Good night, Rajesh.
- 196 Oh, yes. Oh, okay.
- 197 Uh...
- 198 Good night.
- 199 I don't know, maybe it's the fumes from the urinal cakes, but I feel like something is happening between us.
- 200 (chuckles) Good night, Rajesh.
- 201 Okay. I'll leave.
- 202 But just know, every time I come in here, I'll be thinking of you.
- 203 Would you look at that?
- 204 The image we gave it was 45205 I've never seen results like this before.
- 206 Yeah, we need to stop for magnets on the way home; this is going right on the fridge.
- 207 Aren't you glad you participated in this?
- 208 Oh, I am.
- 209 And you realize what the next step is?
- 210 (sighs) Set up a second culture and try to replicate our results.
- 211 Uh, no.
- 212 We lock that door, lower our underpants a little and make a baby.
- 213 Make a baby? What are you talking about?
- 214 Clearly the combination of our DNA is exceptional.
- 215 Eh... Our child could be the next step in the evolution of mankind.
- 216 We... we'll be able to get into any preschool we want!
- 217 Sh-Sheldon, I'm not ready to have a baby.
- 218 Oh, yes, you are! I track your cycle.
- 219 For the next 36 hours you're as fertile as a manure-covered wheat field.
- 220 Wow. I-I can actually feel the egg crawling its way back up.
- 221 I don't understand.
- 222 I thought you'd be thrilled to procreate with me.
- 223 Not right now.

- 224 Oh, I see what's happening here. You're playing hard to get.
- 225 I'm not playing anything.
- 226 We're not making a baby today.
- 227 Very well.
- 228 Oops, how clumsy of me.
- 229 You know what? Let me get that.
- 230 Hev.
- 231 Where are you going?
- 232 I...
- 233 Did you even look at my bottom?
- 234 Welcome.
- 235 What is this?
- 236 Oh, well, you said you didn't have time to go out for dinner, so I thought we could have one right here.
- 237 Oh, Rajesh... Oh, come on!
- 238 We're in the telescope room!
- 239 It'll be like dining under the stars.
- 240 Y-You see this, uh, double zero?
- 241 When it says "01," that means it's twinkling.
- 242 Sometimes it takes a while.
- 243 Rajesh, this is so sweet, but you... you know I'm working.
- 244 That's why I already cleaned up in here and all the other rooms in the hall
- 245 Well, I suppose that gives me a little time.
- 246 Oh, please sit! (chuckles)
- 247 I tried to cook you a meal from your homeland.
- 248 Oh, really?
- 249 You made Cuban food?
- 250 That depends— do they have Mexican food in Cuba?
- 251 Now, when he said "make a baby" is it possible he meant out of Legos?
- 252 No. He was explicit.
- 253 Needlessly and freakishly explicit.
- 254 Leonard: Why does he need a baby?
- 255 He's already hairless and smells like talcum powder.
- 256 Could you two really have some sort of super-intelligent child?
- 257 Well, there is a genetic component, but that doesn't guarantee anything.
- 258 That's true. Sheldon's father once picked a fight with a cactus.
- 259 Yeah, but that's just his Earth parents.
- 260 We don't know anything about the ones that sent him here.
- 261 Leonard: Well, we know they were smart enough to send him away.
- 262 Hey, you're talking about the person I love and have been avoiding for the past three hours.
- 263 Aw, man.
- 264 Penny: Ooh!
- 265 Sheldon gonna get some.
- 266 Well, have fun with whatever nightmare's behind door number two.

- 267 (Leonard chuckling)
- 268 (jazz music playing)
- 269 Well, hello.
- 270 Hello.
- 271 Would you care for a brandy?
- 272 I don't think so.
- 273 Good choice, it's disgusting.
- 274 Sheldon, please stop trying to seduce me.
- 275 Who's trying to seduce you?
- 276 After a long day I always turn on smooth jazz and spray deer musk on my inner thighs.
- 277 I thought it smelled like a petting zoo in here.
- 278 Anything you'd like to pet?
- 279 Not my hair. There's a lot of goop in it.
- 280 Okay, I've had enough.
- 281 (stammers)
- 282 Amy, come back.
- 283 I don't know how to open the oysters.
- 284 So, um, what surprised you the most when you first came to America?
- 285 Well, I suppose how much people care about Oprah's favorite things.
- 286 I thought that, too.
- 287 But then I got my first waffle maker and never questioned her again.
- 288 You know, I do have some time off this Sunday if you'd like to...
- 289 Wolowitz: Hey! I saw your car...
- 290 Oh, sorry. Am I interrupting?
- 291 Uh...
- 292 It's okay.
- 293 Uh, I should get back to work.
- 294 Hi. Howard Wolowitz.
- 295 Oh. Issabella Concepcion.
- 296 Oh, yeah, the astronomer.
- 297 Raj told us about you.
- 298 Hey! Free toilet paper!
- 299 You told him I was an astronomer?
- 300 Uh...
- 301 I understand.
- 302 Time to go.
- 303 No, p-please don't.
- 304 It's okay, Rajesh, I'm a grown woman.
- 305 I don't have to waste my time with someone who's embarrassed by me.
- 306 I can keep this, right?
- 307 Issabella!
- 308 Issabella, wait, wait, let me explain.
- 309 If you are embarrassed by what I do, why did you pursue me?
- 310 I'm sorry.
- 311 Honestly, I-I didn't think your job would bother me, but I guess it did.

- 312 And I hate myself for that.
- 313 But there's a lot of things about me that would totally embarrass you.
- 314 I doubt that.
- 315 Well, prepare to be mortified.
- 316 I let my dog eat food out of my mouth, not because she likes it but because  ${\rm I}_{\rm c}$  do
- 317 Also, I know they're pretty, but I'm scared of butterflies.
- 318 Sorry, just passing through.
- 319 I think this fell off your cart.
- 320 Come on. What do you say?
- 321 Let me make it up to you.
- 322 You're very persistent.
- 323 It's my one move.
- 324 Okay.
- 325 This Sunday night, you may take me to dinner at a nice restaurant.
- 326 Great. Where would you like to go?
- 327 Your choice.
- 328 It can be Pakistani food, if you like.
- 329 Excuse me, but I'm Indian.
- 330 And now you know how it feels.
- 331 So, were you turned on even a little bit?
- 332 It was like being hit on by Rat Pack Pee-wee Herman.
- 333 I'm sorry, is that a yes?
- 334 No!
- 335 Amy, I didn't want it to come to this.
- 336 But you have left me no choice but to employ the most passionate, seduc-
- tive dance known to man.
- 337 (Spanish music playing)
- 338 The flamenco.
- 339 (snapping, slapping continues)
- 340 For God's sake, you're ridiculous.
- 341 You guys are aroused, right?
- 342 (pants) That was a close one.

## 2.9 Episode 09: The Geology Elevation

- 1 Thank you very much. Thanks.
- 2 Leonard: That is unbelievable.
- 3 Good for Bert.
- 4 Damn, the MacArthur Genius Grant.
- 5 Couldn't have happened to a nicer guy.
- 6 Everything is stupid and I want to go home.
- 7 That's Sheldon's way of saying he's proud of Bert, too.
- 8 Ah.
- 9 Hey, it's not even called the "Genius Grant," it's the MacArthur Fellowship.
- 10 Just like it's not Frankenstein, it's "Frankenstein's Monster."

- 11 Which brings us back to that hulking simpleton over there.
- 12 And if anyone's a genius, it's me for the way I brought that full circle.
- 13 How much money did he win?
- 14 Over half a million dollars.
- 15 Wow.
- 16 And he doesn't have to use it for research, he can do whatever he wants with it.
- 17 Oh, good, maybe he can build a nicer bridge to live under.
- 18 Here he comes.
- 19 Right.
- 20 Be polite.
- 21 I know how to behave.
- 22 Do you?
- 23 Hey, congratulations Bert!
- 24 Yeah, good for you. That's amazing.
- 25 Thanks.
- 26 I was as surprised as anybody.
- 27 When they called and told me I won, I didn't believe them.
- 28 And then they said, "No, you really won."
- 29 And then I said, "Cool."
- 30 Someone call George R. R. Martin, this guy knows how to finish a story.
- 31 I've gotten pretty good at telling it.
- 32 Well, see ya.
- 33 Some genius.
- 34 I zinged him with sarcasm, he didn't even notice.
- 35 I know, and it was the greatest sarcastic quip I've ever heard.
- 36 Well, aren't you a peach.
- 37 Our whole universe was in a hot, dense state
- 38 Then nearly 14 billion years ago expansion started... Wait!
- 39 The Earth began to cool
- 40 The autotrophs began to drool, Neanderthals developed tools
- 41 We built the Wall
- 42 We built the pyramids
- 43 Math, Science, History, unraveling the mystery
- 44 That all started with a big bang
- 45 Bang!
- 46 The Big Bang Theory 10x09
- 47 The Geology Elevation
- 48 Who leaves their bike in the hallway?
- 49 You know, if I knew how to ride one, I'd steal it.
- 50 Ignore him, he's just cranky because Bert from the geology lab won a big grant.
- 51 Oh, I heard him interviewed on the radio!
- 52 You know, when they told him he won, he didn't believe it, but then he did believe it.
- 53 It was so funny.

- 54 Sheldon: Who listens to the radio anymore?
- 55 Bert is studying the way microbes in rocks can survive in extreme environmental conditions.
- 56 They say it could be a potential indicator of life on other planets.
- 57 You know what, I've met Bert.
- 58 Isn't he an indicator of life on other planets?
- 59 (chuckles)
- 60 Sheldon: You used to make those jokes about me.
- 61 Now everything is Bert, Bert, Bert!
- 62 You know, Sheldon, maybe if you take the time to actually read Bert's research, you'd be less bitter about him winning.
- 63 (stammering): You want me to read a geology paper?
- 64 Honestly, I just want you to be quiet but I'm all out of taffy.
- 65 (knocking)
- 66 You busy?
- 67 There's somebody out here who wants to meet you.
- 68 Who is it?
- 69 Say hello to everybody's little friend-remote control Stephen Hawking!
- 70 Where did you get that?
- 71 I found him in an old box.
- 72 Why would you buy it?
- 73 I didn't buy it.
- 74 I made it.
- 75 Last question.
- 76 What is wrong with you?
- 77 What's the big deal?
- 78 Howie, it's in poor taste.
- 79 No, it's not. Check it out.
- 80 He says fun stuff.
- 81 RC Hawking: Hey good lookin', want to go for a spin?
- 82 His eyes also light up in the dark.
- 83 It's always fun watching him read someone else's work.
- 84 (scoffs)
- 85 (moans)
- 86 It's like scrolling through the emojis on my phone.
- 87 Ye- why?
- 88 Eh, why?!
- 89 Oh, that's why.
- 90 Sounds like the night we had coitus.
- 91 I hope you're happy making me read this.
- 92 Bert's work is remarkable.
- 93 And I'm more upset than ever.
- 94 This is worse than when I had to admit that Cedric the Entertainer's actually entertaining.
- 95 Sheldon, it's foolish to be angry that Bert's work has merit.
- 96 Yeah, well I-I am angry!

- 97 And you telling me not to be angry makes me angry!
- 98 And do you know how hearing myself say the word angry over and over makes me feel?
- 99 Ooh, a-angry? What are you doing?
- 100 I-I-I knew the answer. I got excited.
- 101 Hey, buddy, why don't we go for a walk, so you can calm down.
- 102 (sighs)
- 103 That's a good idea.
- 104 I guess everyone's having them now.
- 105 Hey, I'm trying to help you.
- 106 Fine.
- 107 You can walk ahead of me and scare off the pigeons.
- 108 Just wave your arms a little and they fly away, it's not...
- 109 Okay, Raj, I'm gonna show you something.
- 110 Now, one of us thinks it's offensive.
- 111 The other thinks it's hilarious and a great idea.
- 112 But, I'm not going to tell you who likes it.
- 113 This is tough.
- 114 But I'm going to say it's the guy who shows me YouTube videos of people getting hit in the nuts.
- 115 (laughing)
- 116 You're crazy.
- 117 I've worked with Hawking.
- 118 He's got a great sense of humor.
- 119 And I think he'd like it.
- 120 Okay, call him and show him.
- 121 I dare you.
- 122 I have no problem calling him.
- 123 Fine, then do it.
- 124 Fine, I will.
- 125 While you're bothering the world's most famous scientist, be sure to show him how funny he looks getting stuck under our dishwasher.
- 126 What's this button do?
- 127 Gentlemen, start your wheelchairs.
- 128 You laughed when that guy got hit in the nuts.
- 129 I laughed because the guy was Leonard.
- 130 I admire you, Leonard.
- 131 Really, why?
- 132 You're happy with who you are.
- 133 You don't get jealous of other people.
- 134 Instead of being weighed down by ambition, you just float along like a dead body in a river.
- 135 I couldn't just take the compliment.
- 136 I had to ask why.
- 137 You know, I do understand what you're feeling.
- 138 My brother and sister's accomplishments have always been held over my

#### head.

- 139 How did you deal with it?
- 140 I wet the bed until college, but I don't think that's a quality fix.
- 141 (groans)
- 142 I can't believe I was surpassed by a geologist.
- 143 I mean... rocks!
- 144 He studies rocks!
- 145 If rock is so great, how come paper beats it?
- 146 Leonard, I'm having a primal urge to throw this rock.
- 147 Do it.
- 148 Visualize it as your anger a-and-and toss it out of your life.
- 149 Perhaps I will.
- 150 This rock encapsulates all my negative emotions.
- 151 I will cast you far away.
- 152 Feel free to take out a pigeon while you're at it.
- 153 Let it fly.
- 154 (inhales deeply)
- 155 Ow, ow, ow, ow, ow, ow, ow, ow...
- 156 What happened?
- 157 I tried to let go of anger and threw a rock into my foot!
- 158 Then he got more angry and kicked the rock with his other foot.
- 159 Wha-?
- 160 And what happened to you?
- 161 Oh, I laughed so hard, I burst a blood vessel in my nose. It's fine.
- 162 You know, it's one thing to be envious, but now you're injuring yourself.
- 163 It has to stop.
- 164 Although if you are gonna do it again, please let me know, so I can get it on video.
- 165 You know, Sheldon, instead of fixating on what Bert has, you should appreciate all of the good things in your life.
- 166 Y-You've got love, you're in good health, you've got a roof over your head.
- 167 Yeah, but you've got all those things, and no one's lining up to be you.
- 168 Anybody else want to try?
- 169 I'm gonna go make some more tea and question my life choices.
- 170 Leonard: You're up.
- 171 (Penny clears throat)
- 172 This is getting old fast, Dolores, knock it off!
- 173 Uh, do you really think calling me names is helpful?
- 174 I do!
- 175 Your life is fine, you big baby!
- 176 Maybe you're right.
- 177 Really?!
- 178 If it helps, I'm questioning your life choices, too.
- 179 Thank you, Penny.
- 180 You know, I just need to keep reminding myself that Bert's success is not my failure.

- 181 There you go.
- 182 And that men of his large stature are more susceptible to a wide array of life-threatening diseases.
- 183 There you go...
- 184 What's up?
- 185 I'm conducting a quick survey.
- 186 Do you think this respectful and loving tribute to a great man is in poor taste?
- 187 Yep.
- 188 Do you think this is in poor taste?
- 189 Does it spin around and do tricks?
- 190 Yeah!
- 191 Then yeah.
- 192 What do you think?
- 193 That is hilarious!
- 194 Give me the remote control.
- 195 I want to drive him into the girls' restroom.
- 196 All right, we're done.
- 197 It's offensive.
- 198 Top of the afternoon, gentlemen.
- 199 You're in a good mood.
- 200 Well, it's a new day. I have a new outlook.
- 201 You know, I realized I don't need to worry about other people.
- 202 I just need to think more about myself.
- 203 Oh, how will we ever get used to the new you?
- 204 Well, I'm glad to see you moving forward.
- 205 Bert did quality research.
- 206 And he deserves whatever accolades he receives.
- 207 What is going on?
- 208 Did you upgrade his software last night?
- 209 I think he might be learning on his own.
- 210 Then the robot uprising has begun.
- 211 Excuse me, I need to pay Bert a proper congratulations.
- 212 He doesn't just look like C-3PO, now he walks like him.
- 213 Bert?
- 214 I wanted to let you know that I read your research, and your award is well-deserved.
- 215 Thanks. I've been hearing that a lot.
- 216 Ever since I won, people think I'm great.
- 217 Well, just this once, you can count me as people, too.
- 218 You know, as a MacArthur Grant winner, I'm allowed to nominate someone for next year.
- 219 Really?
- 220 I didn't know that.
- 221 So I was thinking, you know, engineers don't get a lot of respect.
- 222 Is your friend Howard working on anything cool?

- 223 You know, I-I'm not sure.
- 224 You know, you'd have to ask him.
- 225 Excuse me.
- 226 Aah!
- 227 (loud bang, thud)
- 228 Sheldon: Leonard! I hurt myself again.
- 229 Excuse me, I-I have to go take some pictures.
- 230 I can't believe you head-butted a water fountain.
- 231 No, I went to punch the water fountain, slipped in water in front of the water fountain, and hit my head on the water fountain.
- 232 I can't imagine you being violent.
- 233 It's not hard. Just picture the Three Stooges, and then take away two stooges.
- 234 I'm so disappointed in myself.
- 235 Jealousy is completely illogical.
- 236 It's a human emotion, Sheldon.
- 237 Everyone gets jealous.
- 238 I'm jealous of Leonard and Penny and Howard and Bernadette for being in such happy relationships.
- 239 What about me and Sheldon?
- 240 Sure.
- 241 I've always been jealous of how much money Raj's family has.
- 242 Thank you for saying that. Next to buying things, that is the best part about having money.
- 243 Ever since I met Penny, I've been envious of her looks.
- 244 Aw, thank you.
- 245 That's why I was so happy when you cut your hair off.
- 246 What?!
- 247 You know what I mean.
- 248 You were still hot, but more like a "why'd that hot girl cut off all her hair?" hot.
- 249 You liked my short hair, right?
- 250 Yeah... I loved it.
- 251 Love you, love the hair, would love to change the subject.
- 252 Seriously, none of you liked it?
- 253 I thought it was brave.
- 254 Does that count as liking it?
- 255 You know, how come nobody's talking about Howard's dopey haircut?
- 256 I think he looks cute.
- 257 And I think you're cute.
- 258 I think you're both cute.
- 259 I think I hate all of you nerds.
- 260 Sorry I'm moving slowly.
- 261 Oh, I don't mind.
- 262 If you pull a butter scotch out of your pocket, it would be like I'm walking with my grandma.

- 263 Oh, no.
- 264 Did you...
- 265 A plaque?
- 266 Nobody wants to see this.
- 267 Well, change "plaque" to "mixed-race couple" and you are my grandma.
- 268 I can't take this anymore.
- 269 Bert. Bert. Bert!
- 270 Bert: Come in.
- 271 All right, let's do this...
- 272 Bert?
- 273 We need to talk.
- 274 What happened to you?
- 275 Rock, rock, water fountain.
- 276 I am not proud of this.
- 277 But I have been envious of your recent success.
- 278 Wow, I won the MacArthur Grant, everyone's jealous of me.
- 279 Once I get Lasik, I'll be out of things to wish for.
- 280 I was hoping by admitting my weakness to you, I'd somehow be unburdened.
- 281 Is it working?
- 282 No.
- 283 Now that you know my weakness, I hate you more than ever.
- 284 Well, you know, we're both pretty smart.
- 285 I bet if we put our heads together, we could come up with a solution.
- 286 We... Hang on.
- 287 You're my enemy.
- 288 Now, the enemy of the enemy is my friend.
- 289 And right now, I'm my own worst enemy.
- 290 That makes you my fr-
- 291 Okay, I'm good to go.
- 292 Great.
- 293 Now that we're friends, want to see if we can get tickets to a taping of Ellen?
- 294 You know what? This isn't gonna work.
- 295 Sheldon... wait.
- 296 You know, you've got a lot to be happy about.
- 297 You're at the top of your field, you have a great girlfriend.
- 298 Yes! That's right!
- 299 I have Amy!
- 300 In the past, you've professed feelings for her.
- 301 Does it eat you up inside that I have her and you don't?
- 302 It used to.
- 303 But now that I'm rich and successful, I think I can do better.
- 304 I can't believe you punched Bert.
- 305 I didn't punch him.
- 306 He turned around, and I gave him a Captain Kirk karate chop.

- 307 I'm not even sure he knows I did it.
- 308 Hey, Sheldon, I've got someone here who might make you feel better.
- 309 Hello, Sheldon.
- 310 Professor Hawking!
- 311 Hawking: I understand you're struggling with professional jealousy.
- 312 Thanks, Leonard, now he's not gonna think I'm cool.
- 313 Don't worry, I know how you feel.
- 314 I have never won a Nobel Prize.
- 315 Oh, wow, that doesn't seem fair.
- 316 It's fine.
- 317 I've been on The Simpsons.
- 318 How do you deal with the success of your colleagues?
- 319 I remind myself every scientific advancement is a victory.
- 320 Also, I was on Star Trek.
- 321 Oh, it was a good one. He played poker with Sir Isaac...
- 322 You don't care.
- 323 Don't waste your time on jealousy, Sheldon, you're too brilliant.
- 324 How can you feel bad if Stephen Hawking says you're brilliant?
- 325 I can't.
- 326 Thank you, Professor Hawking.
- 327 You are a gift to mankind.
- 328 There should be statues of you everywhere.
- 329 You know, the Lincoln Memorial has a big chair.
- 330 We could swap you right in.
- 331 I always thought a motorized toy of me would be cool.
- 332 What a wonderful idea!
- 333 How does this man not have a Nobel?
- 334 Do not tell Wolowitz.
- 335 Way ahead of you.
- 336 A new study came out, and it said that laughing makes your brain work better.
- 337 And I know that's true because laughing has made me the "smartiest."
- 338 (laughter)
- 339 Although, on the other hand, babies laugh a lot, and they're dumb.
- 340 (laughter)
- 341 Do people know about her?
- 342 'Cause she's delightful.

# 2.10 Episode 10: The Property Division Collision

- 1 If we're going to be staying in this apartment, would you be interested in doing a little redecorating?
- 2 Oh, actually, I would.
- 3 Great, what'd you have in mind?
- 4 Let's take every single thing from the other apartment and put it in here.
- 5 Well, how about we start a little smaller?

- 6 Like moving the furniture around.
- 7 You know, I have always thought that this couch would look fantastic on the curb in front of the building.
- 8 Look, we can't just throw away Penny's stuff, but we can ask if she wants any of it back.
- 9 You know, I wonder how she feels about all this artwork.
- 10 Well, I'm sure she misses this one.
- 11 I mean, it's the greatest gift I've ever given anybody.
- 12 It truly does capture the beauty of your friendship with Penny.
- 13 It may have appreciated in value.
- 14 The artist killed himself shortly after painting that.
- 15 Yeah, it seems only right that she have it back.
- 16 I can't wait to see the look on her face when I give it to her again.
- 17 Look, it's the same smile she has in the painting.
- 18 Our whole universe was in a hot, dense state
- 19 Then nearly 14 billion years ago expansion started... Wait!
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- 26 Bang!
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- 29 Yeah- there's hooks in the closet, I can hang it right now.
- 30 Oh, no, no, Th-those hooks are gone.
- 31 What happened to them?
- 32 Uh, we ran out of candy on Halloween, I was just giving everything away.
- 33 Hey, guys, what are you...?
- 34 Oh, that's here, cool.
- 35 Amy wants me to have it.
- 36 Well, it would be selfish of me to keep it.
- 37 B-But it's a picture of you.
- 38 And you.
- 39 But you commissioned it.
- 40 To give to you.
- 41 But you like it so much.
- 42 So do you.
- 43 I seem to be losing.
- 44 Yes, vou do.
- 45 You know, Leonard, the more I think about it, there are a number of mutually owned items in this apartment that you and I should go through.
- 46 Uh, for example... who gets our beloved sword, Longclaw?
- 47 Why don't you keep it?
- 48 That seems fair; we did just give you the painting.

- 49 Yeah, I don't need anything around that I can stab myself with.
- 50 Sheldon: Wonderful, Longclaw is mine.
- 51 And how about you keep our... avocado plant?
- 52 Sounds right—a limited edition collectible worth hundreds of dollars and a thing that grew out of a thing we fished from the trash.
- 53 Although, Amy and I did just move in together, and a plant is a lovely housewarming gift.
- 54 Fine, take the plant.
- 55 Oh, we got a sword and a plant; our apartment's really shaping up.
- 56 Stuart, you didn't have to get us a baby gift.
- 57 Oh
- 58 Just homemade coupons for things you might need help with before the baby gets here.
- 59 Going to the grocery store, driving you to the doctor.
- 60 If you're not in a hurry, I can dig you a koi pond.
- 61 A foot massage?
- 62 And that's not me being creepy, that's for either of you.
- 63 This is very nice, Stuart, thank you.
- 64 How come this one's on the back of an eviction notice?
- 65 Oh, yeah.
- 66 Uh, now that you mention it... can I live here?
- 67 Stuart, we'd love to help you out, but this a bad time; we're about to have a baby.
- 68 Or is that why this is a great time?
- 69 Think about it—when that baby comes, you're gonna need all the help you can get.
- 70 Thank you, but I'm not really sure.
- 71 Hang on, maybe it's not the worst idea.
- 72 I mean, he did do a good job taking care of my mother.
- 73 That woman didn't get heat rash once with me on powder patrol.
- 74 Hey...
- 75 I guess you could stay for a few days and we'll see how it goes.
- 76 Thank you.
- 77 And it's only temporary, just till I get back on my feet. or the baby goes off to college, whichever happens first.
- 78 (chuckles) When would you move in?
- 79 Well, uh, my car broke down in your driveway, so I'm gonna say now.
- 80 But I am ready to be helpful.
- 81 In fact...
- 82 I'm gonna go vacuum.
- 83 Hmm. Actually I just did that this morning.
- 84 Okay.
- 85 Then I'll dust.
- 86 I did that, too.
- 87 Then I'll check the batteries in the smoke detectors.
- 88 Howard just did that.

- 89 Yeah, let him do it.
- 90 (gasps) Oh.
- 91 Remember when we got this at Comic-Con?
- 92 Leonard: Oh, yeah.
- 93 The Mr. Spock cuckoo clock.
- 94 Live long and prosper. Live long and prosper.
- 95 Live long and prosper.
- 96 Live long and prosper.
- 97 It's one of a kind.
- 98 So if it breaks there'd be none of it?
- 99 Well, Leonard, you know, who should keep this?
- 100 On the one hand, I love Mr. Spock more than you do.
- 101 On the other hand, I care more about clocks than you do.
- 102 So you think you should keep it?
- 103 I'll be right across the hall.
- 104 You'll probably be able to hear it.
- 105 Keep the clock, Sheldon.
- 106 Thank you.
- 107 Thank you.
- 108 Thank you?
- 109 Oh, now... (grunts) what about our 3-D chess set?
- 110 Let me guess, you want it.
- 111 Well, no, I just didn't think you'd want a physical reminder of a game you never managed to win.
- 112 As a kindness, I should probably take all the games.
- 113 You know what, Sheldon, take it.
- 114 In fact, you can have everything.
- 115 I really don't care.
- 116 Are you sure?
- 117 These items represent our shared times together.
- 118 Well, now they're yours.
- 119 Leonard....
- 120 Well, you know what's gonna happen.
- 121 He's just gonna come up with some reason why everything should be his.
- 122 For a man so good at predicting my moves, how come you stink at 3-D chess?
- 123 Sheldon, you're-you're being a little selfish.
- 124 Why don't you let Leonard keep a few things?
- 125 It's not my fault I'm bad at sharing; I skipped kindergarten.
- 126 You know what?
- 127 There is one thing I would like.
- 128 Yeah, take whatever you want.
- 129 I would like to keep... the official flag of our apartment.
- 130 But you don't even like flags.
- 131 Yeah, I like this one.
- 132 But I designed it.

- 133 But you made me order it because you were "too well-known" in the flag community and they'd jack up the price.
- 134 But you don't even understand its symbolism.
- 135 Oh, I do.
- 136 The-the field of blue represents you being miserable, and the lion sticking its tongue out means I'm happy about it.
- 137 Come along, Amy.
- 138 I know when I'm not wanted.
- 139 I don't think you do, but all right.
- 140 Stuart, you cooked?
- 141 How did you know it wasn't me?
- 142 There's only three people in this house, and you'd still be my fifth guess.
- 143 (doorbell rings)
- 144 That's Raj.
- 145 You guys relax, I'll get it.
- 146 Have some bread while it's still warm.
- 147 (chuckles)
- 148 It's like we have a butler.
- 149 If I had a Batsuit I'd be Bruce Wayne.
- 150 You have a Batsuit.
- 151 It's pajamas, there's no cape.
- 152 Hey, Raj.
- 153 Hey, Stuart.
- 154 What are you doing here?
- 155 Oh, I'm living here again.
- 156 Do, uh, Howard and Bernadette know?
- 157 Or is it like a possum in the walls kind of thing?
- 158 No, I needed a place to stay and, with the baby coming, I figured they could use some extra help.
- 159 Okay, cool.
- 160 Anyway, come on in, dinner's ready.
- 161 Oh, but I bought Chinese takeout.
- 162 Oh. okav.
- 163 Well, if Bernadette wants her ankles to swell up even more, she can have that
- 164 Is the Wi-Fi working for you?
- 165 Uh, hang on.
- 166 I don't think so, I'm clicking on "One weird trick for a flat belly," but I'm still seeing "Celebrities who look like their pets."
- 167 Oh, I knew it, Sheldon changed the password.
- 168 Are you sure?
- 169 Well, the new network name is, "Ha ha ha, now I've got you," so...
- 170 It's either Sheldon or Gargamel from The Smurfs.
- 171 What a jerk.
- 172 You're good at revenge; how do we get him back?
- 173 Well, my go-to move is usually sleep with the person's boyfriend, but I

kind of feel like I'm already doing that.

- 174 Sheldon, I know what you did, now change the password back.
- 175 Well, powder me in sugar and call me a donut, if it isn't Leonard Hofstadter.
- 176 Sheldon, I'm warning you, I can play this game, too.
- 177 If it's like your 3-D chess game, then you're out of your length, width and depth.
- 178 Amy, get the Neosporin, somebody just got burned.
- 179 All right, I tried.
- 180 "All right, I tried."
- 181 That should be the title of your autobiography.
- 182 Ooh, a second-degree burn.
- 183 I've got the Neosporin.
- 184 Who got hurt?
- 185 It's a good thing you're cute.
- 186 So, I was reading how it's a good idea for new parents to take an infant CPR class.
- 187 Yeah, we've been meaning to do that.
- 188 Oh, I know a CPR instructor who'll come to the house.
- 189 That'd be great.
- 190 Stuart: I'll give him a call.
- 191 We met when I was sleeping on the beach and he thought I was dead.
- 192 Thank you again for cooking.
- 193 It's getting tough for me to be on my feet all day.
- 194 You just kick back and relax; I've got it all under control.
- 195 Although it was already under control.
- 196 (clears throat)
- 197 I'm sorry, you mumbled something?
- 198 It's just that they've had plenty of help.
- 199 Well, you know what they say—it takes a village.
- 200 Well, they already had a village.
- 201 I noticed the village couldn't find time to put the crib together.
- 202 Yeah, well, maybe the village was too busy checking out the local Montessori school for the new arrival.
- 203 You mean the one with the empty beer bottles in the sandbox?
- 204 We'll pass, thank you.
- 205 Do something, Batman.
- 206 (gasps)
- 207 Hev.
- 208 What do you think you're doing?
- 209 Separating my delicates.
- 210 This is the level you're stooping to.
- 211 No.
- 212 This is the level I am stooping to.
- 213 I believe that is flag to crotch four, checkmate.
- 214 Easy-peasy, ooh, so breezy.

- 215 Hey, what's up?
- 216 I'm here to put the crib together.
- 217 Ooh, sorry, I already did it.
- 218 Oh, I don't know if you realize this, but I bought that crib.
- 219 Oh, yeah, I read about that on WhoGivesACrap.com Why are you being like this?
- 220 Because I love Howard and Bernadette and if I want to keep mooching off them, I need to be helpful.
- 221 Hey, this pregnancy had an emotionally-needy third wheel way before you came along.
- 222 Why can't there be four wheels?
- 223 Is this what you do when I'm not here, make really good points?
- 224 Look-Look, just come in and help me build a baby swing.
- 225 Thank you.
- 226 If you're hungry you can eat your takeout; nobody touched it.
- 227 I think I'm gonna go for a run.
- 228 You want to come?
- 229 No, last time that old lady in the park kept screaming, "Watch out, he's right behind you."
- 230 Hello?
- 231 Hey, how you doing?
- 232 Uh, can I help you?
- 233 I don't think so, but you're sweet for asking.
- 234 What-What are you doing in our apartment?
- 235 Oh, I rented a room from your neighbor, the tall guy... dressed like a little boy.
- 236 Unbelievable.
- 237 Okay, uh, I don't know what he told you, but you can't stay here.
- 238 So, there are fresh linens on the bed and...
- 239 Oh.
- 240 Well, now, I see you've met Theodore.
- 241 Theodore, these are your new roommates, Leonard and Penny.
- 242 They're very honest, but I would not leave cash lying around.
- 243 Sheldon, what do you think you're doing?
- 244 My room is paid up until the end of the month, so I can do with it whatever I please, which includes renting it out for a dollar a night.
- 245 It's like the '40s again.
- 246 Anyway, I'll leave you be.
- 247 I have to... oh, oh!
- 248 He's expecting a newspaper in the morning.
- 249 Apparently, they still make them.
- 250 All right, Sheldon, this is over the line.
- 251 That's true, but had I done something under the line, there wouldn't be a man in your kitchen who can't produce a single form of ID.
- 252 Oh, oh, I have a receipt from a blood bank.
- 253 I'm O-negative.

- 254 And now you know as much about him as I do.
- 255 Oh, hey, Bernadette, the swing comes with two different mobiles.
- 256 The giraffes are pretty cute, what do you think?
- 257 Great, go with the giraffes.
- 258 Although... the high contrast of zebra stripes might provide better stimulus for a developing baby.
- 259 Yeah, you're probably right, go with the zebras.
- 260 Good choice, boss.
- 261 At least my nose is naturally brown.
- 262 Hey, could you please go to the market for me?
- 263 Get Stuart or Raj to do it.
- 264 Howie, they've been doing everything for you.
- 265 Mm, I know.
- 266 It's really making me lose respect for both of them.
- 267 Please just go to the store.
- 268 Fine.
- 269 Who wants to drive me to the store?
- 270 Koothrappali: Me!
- 271 Stuart: I'll do it!
- 272 Take Raj.
- 273 Stuart is supposed to paint my toenails.
- 274 What do you think?
- 275 Should we go to a hotel?
- 276 And just leave him here alone?
- 277 Okay, I'll go to a hotel.
- 278 Text me in the morning if you're still alive.
- 279 Uh, Theodore, how long are you planning to stay exactly?
- 280 Oh, thanks to the coins I found in your couch, a day longer than I thought.
- 281 This is ridiculous.
- 282 I like the painting.
- 283 Is that your mom?
- 284 Sheldon, get out here!
- 285 Will you keep it down?
- 286 What kind of vengeful bed and breakfast do you think I'm running?
- 287 We lived together 13 years.
- 288 How can you be so awful to me?
- 289 I'm being awful?!
- 290 You're the one who went out of your way to hurt me.
- 291 Because you were being selfish.
- 292 Dividing our belongings is difficult.
- 293 (laughing): Why?
- 294 I said I didn't care!
- 295 Theodore: Excuse me.
- 296 It's none of my business, but it sounds like a lot of this anger is coming from love.
- 297 Yeah, thanks, but nobody asked you.

- 298 Well, I'm just gonna keep on talking.
- 299 Seems like, with Sheldon moving out, you're in a new phase of your lives and it's easier to fight than to face the feelings that you have for one another.
- 300 I think he might be right.
- 301 Also, who is that?
- 302 I have to admit, leaving you to move in with Amy has been harder than I thought it would be.
- 303 Well, for me, too.
- 304 It's not the same with you gone.
- 305 If you're looking for a new guy to live with...
- 306 No!
- 307 We're good. Thank you.
- 308 So, no one's gonna tell me? Okay.
- 309 Leonard, I would like us to stop fighting about our possessions.
- 310 Well, I'd like that, too.
- 311 In fact, I want you to keep the apartment flag, and I'm not just saying that because it touched your genitals.
- 312 You promise?
- 313 I do.
- 314 And to show you that there are no hard feelings, I am willing to rub my genitals on it as well.
- 315 Well... if we're rubbing genitals on things, that's where I shine.
- 316 Little lower to the left.
- 317 A little more.
- 318 Is it good?
- 319 No, still hideous.
- 320 Well, I'm sure at some point, we won't even notice it's there.
- 321 Yeah, you'd think that, but after a while it starts showing up in your dreams.
- 322 I think it brings the room together.
- 323 Hey, tomorrow who wants to paint the nursery?
- 324 I'll do it.
- 325 Why do you get to do it?
- 326 I'm the artist.
- 327 Just because you're starving doesn't make you an artist.
- 328 Just because I look sickly doesn't mean I'm starving.
- 329 Bernadette: Howard!
- 330 Guys, you heard her, go see what she wants.
- 331 I think I'm in labor.
- 332 Oh, oh, okay.
- 333 Okay, uh, uh, uh, I can do this.
- 334 We have a plan.
- 335 Somebody please tell me the plan.
- 336 I'll get the hospital bag.
- 337 I'll pull the van up.
- 338 Meet you outside in 2 minutes.

- 339 Team Baby, go!
- 340 I love you.
- 341 I love you, too.
- 342 Are we hugging or having a baby?
- 343 Let's go!

## 2.11 Episode 11: The Birthday Synchronicity

- 1 Previously on The Big Bang Theory...
- 2 Hey, Stuart.
- 3 What are you doing here?
- 4 Oh, I'm living here again.
- 5 Do, uh, Howard and Bernadette know?
- 6 Or is like a possum in the walls kind of thing?
- 7 No. I needed a place to stay, and with the baby coming, I figured they could use some extra help.
- 8 Hey, tomorrow, who wants to paint the nursery?
- 9 I'll do it.
- 10 Why do you get to do it?
- 11 I'm the artist.
- 12 Just because you're starving doesn't make you an artist.
- 13 Just because I look sickly doesn't mean I'm starving.
- 14 Bernadette: Howard?
- 15 I think I'm in labor.
- 16 Oh. Oh, okay. Okay.
- 17 Uh, uh, I can do this.
- 18 We have a plan.
- 19 Somebody please tell me the plan!
- 20 I'll get the hospital bag.
- 21 I'll pull the van up.
- 22 Meet you outside in two minutes.
- 23 Team Baby, go!
- 24 (grunting)
- 25 Wolowitz: Oh, man.
- 26 This is really happening.
- 27 You doin' okay?
- 28 Here comes another contraction.
- 29 Let's pick it up!
- 30 All right, hold on.
- 31 I'm gonna drive like we do in India.
- 32 (horn honking) Get out of my way, you syphilitic dogs!
- 33 Stop that! This isn't India.
- 34 Fine.
- 35 What do one point three billion people know about having babies?
- 36 Sorry. I know you were just trying to help.
- 37 I love you.

- 38 I love you, too.
- 39 We're good.
- 40 Our whole universe was in a hot, dense state
- 41 Then nearly 14 billion years ago expansion started... Wait!
- 42 The Earth began to cool
- 43 The autotrophs began to drool, Neanderthals developed tools
- 44 We built the Wall
- 45 We built the pyramids
- 46 Math, Science, History, unraveling the mystery
- 47 That all started with a big bang
- 48 Bang!
- 49 The Big Bang Theory 10x11
- 50 The Birthday Synchronicity
- 51 Amy?
- 52 Wake up.
- 53 Wh... What's wrong?
- 54 It's midnight.
- 55 Happy birthday.
- 56 Sheldon.
- 57 (loud honking)
- 58 Okay, you can have this back in the morning.
- 59 This is for you.
- 60 I was going to wrap it, but touching Scotch tape gives me the heebie-jeebies.
- 61 I'll put in on the list with peaches and felt.
- 62 What is this?
- 63 A functional MRI of my brain.
- 64 I did Sudoku before they took it so I'd be ripped.
- 65 I love it. Thank you.
- 66 And it's not just an MRI.
- 67 The orbitofrontal cortex is lit up because I was thinking of you.
- 68 Sheldon!
- 69 We seem to be moving on to the annual coitus portion of your birthday festivities.
- 70 Is that okay?
- 71 I didn't put on my come-hither plaid PJ's for nothing.
- 72 You hate Scotch tape, but you love Scotch plaid.
- 73 You are a mystery.
- 74 (loud knocking)
- 75 Penny: Guys, wake up!
- 76 Bernadette's having her baby!
- 77 Leonard: Come on, we're going to the hospital!
- 78 (quietly): I guess... I guess we should stop.
- 79 Yeah. I'm afraid so.
- 80 Childbirth, looming coitus?
- 81 This is a banner night for female genitals.
- 82 Now I see three of you.

- 83 Do we know the father, or is this some Mamma Mia nonsense?
- 84 I'm the father.
- 85 Okay, Dad, how far apart are the contractions?
- 86 No idea. Ask him.
- 87 12 minutes.
- 88 12 minutes?
- 89 Why are you here?
- 90 Aren't we supposed to get here an hour and a half early?
- 91 This is a hospital, not the airport.
- 92 I'm sorry. It's our first time.
- 93 It's okay.
- 94 This little one will be here before you know it.
- 95 Do we know what we're having?
- 96 No, we're keeping it a surprise.
- 97 Old school. Nice.
- 98 Not that old school.
- 99 He knows.
- 100 (sing-songy): You see, I was at the doctor's office, the folder was right there, so I took a peek.
- 101 (imitating Raj): And talking like this doesn't make it less creepy.
- 102 Sweetheart, go home.
- 103 Come back when the contractions are five minutes apart for an hour.
- 104 Raj: I'm sorry.
- 105 That's ambiguous.
- 106 Is it five minutes apart starting at the top of the hour, or five minutes apart starting with the first contraction, so essentially, like, 65 minutes?
- 107 I'm just throwing this out there, but home births are very popular these days.
- 108 Sheldon, what took you so long?
- 109 Wolowitz might hand out cigars.
- 110 I had to find my bubble gum cigar so I could join in without looking foolish.
- 111 Damn, I need my inhaler.
- 112 Just don't smoke.
- 113 No, I went down the stairs too fast.
- 114 (ringtone playing)
- 115 Hey.
- 116 Don't come to the hospital. We're headed home.
- 117 Oh, that was fast. Did she sneeze the baby out?
- 118 We showed up too early. We'll keep you posted.
- 119 Okay, well, we'll talk to you guys later. Bye.
- 120 She said not to come. It's gonna be a while.
- 121 (sighs) Well, first deliveries can be slow.
- 122 I am starting to rethink the Flash onesie I bought this kid.
- 123 I found it, but it's empty.
- 124 Well, it doesn't matter. We're not going to the hospital now.

- 125 Are you sure?
- 126 I'd really like to.
- 127 Well, should we, uh, head back up?
- 128 Penny: Come on, guys.
- 129 We're all awake. Why don't we go to a diner or something?
- 130 Oh, uh, I don't know.
- 131 Sheldon, you don't want to do that, do you?
- 132 It doesn't matter what I want.
- 133 It's your birthday. You decide.
- 134 Penny: Oh, my God!
- 135 It's your birthday! Let's do something fun.
- 136 Uh...
- 137 Well, we could go to a bar.
- 138 Well...
- 139 Okay, I can breathe again.
- 140 Babe, they want to have s\*x.
- 141 Penny: Oh, of course!
- 142 The annual birthday booty spectacular!
- 143 That's a bit childish, isn't it?
- 144 I'm sorry, and what flavor is your bubble gum cigar?
- 145 Grape. I find it the most mild.
- 146 All right, well, you two go have fun.
- 147 If we find my backup inhaler, maybe we can get frisky.
- 148 Oh, you sexy, wheezy little man.
- 149 Do you really need to record this?
- 150 Koothrappali: You'll be happy I did.
- 151 (sing-songy): Okay, little one, here we are back at home because you weren't quite ready to come out yet.
- 152 You wanted to make an entrance.
- 153 I get it.
- 154 And here's your daddy.
- 155 When he tries to tell you he used to be cool, you can see he wasn't.
- 156 All right, enough with the camera.
- 157 Well, this is not for me. This is for the baby.
- 158 Some day she's gonna want to see this.
- 159 I'm sorry.
- 160 Who's gonna want to see this?
- 161 I... I said "she," but lots of things are she-boats and cars, whales.
- 162 Like, "Thar she blows."
- 163 You're doing great.
- 164 Rai!
- 165 Well, okay, I'm gonna sign off now.
- 166 This next part may contain some adult language.
- 167 How could you?!
- 168 We made it this far without knowing, and you ruined it!
- 169 Well, you guys have no idea how hard it is to know something like this

- and not say it!
- 170 You told me it was a girl, and I didn't say it.
- 171 Raj! You were supposed to keep that to yourself.
- 172 Oh, yeah. I guess it is hard.
- 173 So... (laughs)
- 174 ...where were we?
- 175 Well, I believe we were kissing like randy teenagers, and your nose was whistling ever so slightly.
- 176 I'm sorry.
- 177 Oh, don't be.
- 178 You were like a foxy tea kettle.
- 179 (laughs)
- 180 Well, shall we start over?
- 181 Very well.
- 182 What's wrong?
- 183 I'm not sure.
- 184 Earlier tonight, things began organically, and now it's feeling forced, like all the Pirates of the Caribbean sequels.
- 185 Okay, that makes sense.
- 186 I mean, the mood's a little different now.
- 187 We-we don't have to rush.
- 188 Oh, I know, but Leonard and Penny think we're doing it, and I don't want to disappoint them.
- 189 And the mood continues to change.
- 190 No, and also, I don't want to disappoint you. I...
- 191 You know, come on. It's your birthday.
- 192 I can soldier through this.
- 193 H-Hold on.
- 194 I think I might have a little surprise that might help get things back on track.
- 195 Intriguing.
- 196 Is "back on track" a hint that it has something to do with trains?
- 197 No.
- 198 Because if it did have to do with trains, and you were gonna give...
- 199 It's not about trains!
- 200 Oh. Not even a cozy sleeper car on the Orient Express?
- 201 Stop talking about trains!
- 202 Who's killing the mood now?
- 203 Found the backup inhaler.
- 204 Want to have s\*x?
- 205 Well, I didn't until I heard that.
- 206 Hang on. I'm counting.
- 207 It's okay.
- 208  ${\rm Mm}.$
- 209 (knocking)
- 210 Raj (sing-songy): Hello!

- 211 Howard and Bernadette kicked me out because I told them they're having a girl!
- 212 (sing-songy): Oopsy, I did it again.
- 213 Maybe if we're quiet, he'll go away.
- 214 (sing-songy): You're gonna have to be quieter than that.
- 215 Can I look yet?
- 216 One second.
- 217 (chuckles) All right, you can open your eyes.
- 218 I thought I'd let Harry Potter make things hotter. (giggles)
- 219 Wowza.
- 220 I got a Gryffindor robe for you.
- 221 (exhales): Oh...
- 222 A Gryffindor sleeping with a Hufflepuff?
- 223 How scandalous.
- 224 You naughty girl.
- 225 You went to the Wizarding World theme park without me.
- 226 I did.
- 227 Am I in trouble?
- 228 Yes, you're in trouble- you went to Wizarding World without me!
- 229 Wait, what just happened?
- 230 You know I've been wanting to go.
- 231 (sighs) Sheldon, do you really want to argue with me on my birthday?
- 232 Oh, you're right.
- 233 I'm sorry.
- 234 Ooh. Happy birthday to me.
- 235 (knocking)
- 236 Raj (sing-songy): Hello...
- 237 Is this about the baby?
- 238 No. People just keep kicking me out everywhere I go.
- 239 Good. Then you're used to this.
- 240 Hey, Bernadette's water broke!
- 241 Come on! Everyone to the hospital!
- 242 Amy: You have got to be kidding me!
- 243 Just try to relax. We'll be there any minute.
- 244 Stuart, stop driving like an old man.
- 245 Speed it up a little.
- 246 I'm not an old man!
- 247 I just can't see at night.
- 248 (groaning): Here comes another one.
- 249 Hey, Squinty, the gas pedal's on the right!
- 250 All right, hang on.
- 251 If you see any pedestrians, just call 'em out.
- 252 (engine roaring)
- 253 Howard and Bernadette's kid might be born on your birthday.
- 254 How cool is that?
- 255 Yeah, but I thought this baby was supposed to ruin their s\*x life, not

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m mine}$ 

- 256 Raj: This is not how I imagined this day going—I should be with them right now.
- 257 Well, it is their child.
- 258 I know that.
- 259 But to be fair, I've spent nine months helping Bernadette get ready for this baby.
- 260 And Howard spent five minutes conceiving it.
- 261 And I'm being generous.
- 262 Five minutes?
- 263 We must be doing it wrong. It took us hours.
- 264 Raj: And-and the worst part is that they kicked me out and let Stuart stay.
- 265 I understand, but this is a special day for them.
- 266 Can you just try and let it go?
- 267 Sheldon: She's right.
- 268 You know, I just learned Amy went to a theme park without me, but I'm not going to ruin her birthday.
- 269 I'll wait, and ruin 24 individual hours sprinkled throughout the year.
- 270 (high-pitched): Boop.
- 271 (groans)
- 272 Deep breaths, slow breaths.
- 273 I'm so thirsty. Give me more ice chips.
- 274 (crunching)
- 275 Sorry. I... thought these were room ice chips.
- 276 I'll go get some more.
- 277 Uh, Stuart, while you're out there, don't come back.
- 278 Okay.
- 279 (chuckles)
- 280 So, what are we gonna name this kid?
- 281 Now that we know she's a girl, it kind of ruins my plan for Wally Wolowitz.
- 282 Could name her after your mom.
- 283 Debbie?
- 284 (chuckles) No.
- 285 She hated that name.
- 286 Did she have a middle name?
- 287 Melvina.
- 288 Let's keep thinking.
- 289 Mm.
- 290 Ah.
- 291 It sucks that she's not here.
- 292 I know.
- 293 Hm.
- 294 She would've been the best grandma.
- 295 She did always have candy in her pocket.
- 296 (exhales) Yeah.

- 297 I was 20 years old before I figured out Tootsie Rolls weren't naturally warm.
- 298 I didn't know her five minutes and she asked, (like Mrs. Wolowitz): "Are you a Milky Way or a Snickers girl?"
- 299 Thank God you answered right, we wouldn't be here today.
- 300 It's hard to believe Howard's having a kid.
- 301 Yeah.
- 302 Penny, you're the one who introduced him to Bernie.
- 303 How many times do I have to say I'm sorry?
- 304 It's not just Howard and Bernadette. I mean, look how far we've all come.
- 305 Hmm.
- 306 Hmm.
- 307 You two got married.
- 308 Sheldon and I are living together.
- 309 But if my mom asks, we have bunk beds.
- 310 Penny was a struggling actress when we met, and now she's a successful pharmaceutical rep.
- 311 Okay, you don't have to say "struggling" every time.
- 312 You can just say "actress."
- 313 Howard went to space.
- 314 Bernadette got her doctorate.
- 315 Sheldon, Howard and I are working with the government on our quantum gyroscope.
- 316 We've all come a long way.
- 317 There's a lot to be proud of.
- 318 For God's sake, just drive in the knife, why don't you!
- 319 What's your problem?
- 320 Well, you're all thinking that I'm the only one who hasn't done anything worthwhile.
- 321 I was not thinking it.
- 322 Although, now that you point it out, it is undeniable.
- 323 Raj, if it's any consolation, I'm no better off than I was ten years ago.
- 324 Oh, yay!
- 325 I have a doctorate in astrophysics and I'm every bit as awesome as the pasty-faced owner of a comic book store!
- 326 Raj! Show some compassion.
- 327 Those are things that we think but don't say.
- 328 Excuse me.
- 329 Sorry, Stuart.
- 330 Hey, I'm in a hospital and I'm not the patient.
- 331 I'm fine.
- 332 Come on, Bernie, breathe.
- 333 Remember what you learned in birthing class.
- 334 I remember thinking, "This is stupid" and I was right!
- 335 Do you want me to get the nurse?
- 336 No! If one more person puts their fingers near my uterus, I'm gonna cross

- my legs and snap 'em off!
- 337 I've come to peace with my relationship with my parents.
- 338 That was a big milestone for me.
- 339 Oh, speaking of personal growth, I recently tried eating Swiss chard.
- 340 You know, I didn't swallow it, but Amy said it counted.
- 341 Hey.
- 342 Hey.
- 343 Still a loser or did you turn things around while you were gone?
- 344 You know, Raj, honey, you're being too hard on yourself.
- 345 When I first met you, you couldn't even talk to women.
- 346 I mean, you couldn't even talk if one was in the room.
- 347 Oh, great, now I can say things like "I can't believe you're breaking up with me."
- 348 "Why are you breaking up with me?"
- 349 "Yes, I'll still help you move"
- 350 Anyone else want to try?
- 351 Uh, yeah, I got something.
- 352 Raj, not everybody could be a dog owner.
- 353 Oh, what? Did your doggie break up with you too?
- 354 Hey, I bought MMs at the vending machine and two bags came out.
- 355 I bought the first one, it didn't fall.
- 356 Here.
- 357 She's here, the baby's here!
- 358 Oh! Oh.
- 359 Congratulations!
- 360 How's Bernadette?
- 361 Tired, but great.
- 362 They're both great.
- 363 Does the baby have a name yet?
- 364 We have named her Halley.
- 365 Oh!
- 366 Oh, like Halley's comet.
- 367 Howard: Exactly.
- 368 Also like the comet, Bernadette said she's not gonna have s\*x with me for another 75 years.
- 369 That's not a real thing, he's just joking.
- 370 I'm gonna get back.
- 371 Thank you for staying up, I can't wait for Halley to meet her new aunts and uncles and godfather.
- 372 Really?
- 373 Of course.
- 374 You hear that, Stuart?!
- 375 I've got a dog and a godchild, you have nothing!
- 376 (babies cooing)
- 377 Oh, look at all the babies!
- 378 Some will be successful, some may be homeless.

- 379 It's fun to think about.
- 380 I wonder which one's Halley.
- 381 Kind of hard to see the names.
- 382 Mm, that one kind of looks like Bernadette.
- 383 They all look the same to me.
- 384 Koothrappali: Guys, she's my goddaughter, I think I'll know when I see her.
- 385 (baby cries loudly like Mrs. Wolowitz)
- 386 That one.
- 387 Well, that was quite a day.
- 388 It was.
- 389 Bernadette had her baby, I made it to Wizarding World, and now it is time to complete your birthday celebration.
- 390 Hankius pankius.
- 391 I was afraid you'd be too tired.
- 392 Amy, I just saw a magic train and reported somebody for cutting the line.
- 393 If that's not foreplay, I don't know what is.
- 394 (chuckles)

## 2.12 Episode 12: The Holiday Summation

- 1 Hey, can you help me put some of the food out?
- 2 Yeah. Let me finish packing this stuff up.
- 3 You know how Sheldon is if he sees Christmas stuff lying around after New Year's.
- 4 Yeah, but he doesn't live here anymore.
- 5 Well, he doesn't live at Walmart, but he still threw a tantrum when he saw Marshmallow Peeps after Easter.
- 6 And that's the same man who complains you can't find Marshmallow Peeps after Easter.
- 7 (phone chimes)
- 8 Oh. It's Bernadette. She says they're running late.
- 9 "The baby threw up on Howard, and then Howard threw up on Howard."
- 10 Well, he didn't throw up on the baby. That's a win.
- 11 (door opens)
- 12 Hello.
- 13 Hi.
- 14 Hi! Welcome back. How was Texas?
- 15 Oh, you know. The Lone Star state. Hmm.
- 16 That should be its Yelp rating.
- 17 It was not a great trip.
- 18 Well, you're home now.
- 19 Yeah. It is good to be home.
- 20 I... Oh, good Lord! Is that mistletoe?
- 21 Don't you maniacs own a calendar?
- 22 I told him to take it down. He would not listen to me.

- 23 Our whole universe was in a hot, dense state
- 24 Then nearly 14 billion years ago expansion started... Wait!
- 25 The Earth began to cool
- 26 The autotrophs began to drool, Neanderthals developed tools
- 27 We built the Wall
- 28 We built the pyramids
- 29 Math, Science, History, unraveling the mystery
- 30 That all started with a big bang
- 31 Bang!
- 32 The Big Bang Theory 10x12
- 33 The Holiday Summation
- 34 Did you at least have a good flight down there?
- 35 It was fine.
- 36 Other than the weird-tasting juice Amy gave me.
- 37 I slept the whole way.
- 38 So, what happened in Texas that was so bad?
- 39 And before our next drive to Comic-Con, I need the name of that juice.
- 40 Well, we were on our way to my mother's house...
- 41 (gasps) How did we get in the car?
- 42 Leonard: Hold on.
- 43 How did you get him in the car?
- 44 I rented one of those carts, pushed him toward the open door and just let inertia take care of the rest.
- 45 So, while we're at your mother's house, it might be a good time to tell her that we're living together.
- 46 Do we have to?
- 47 I really don't want to hear the religious lecture.
- 48 Maybe there won't be one.
- 49 (scoffs) There's always one.
- 50 She gave it to my sister about her boyfriend, my brother about his girlfriend, my father about his girlfriend.
- 51 That one had some un-Christian words in it.
- 52 Well, she likes me.
- 53 You know, there's a chance she might be okay with it.
- 54 Eh, I don't know.
- 55 I am her precious little boy.
- 56 And you did take my flower.
- 57 Do boys have flowers?
- 58 Who knows what he has down there.
- 59 Mm.
- 60 Anyway...
- 61 Thank you, God, for the food we are about to receive and for the nourishment of our bodies and bless the hands that prepared it.
- 62 Amen.
- 63 Given that your hands prepared it, isn't that a little self-serving?
- 64 You start changing the words to the prayers, next thing you know, you're

- in a church with a guitar.
- 65 Thank you for cooking, it looks delicious.
- 66 Oh, it's my pleasure. Mm.
- 67 I'm so glad y'all could make it.
- 68 So, tell me, what's going on back home?
- 69 Well, uh, Howard and Bernadette had their baby.
- 70 (gasps) Oh, that's wonderful!
- 71 Now, have they decided to raise it Jewish or regular?
- 72 Welcome to Texas.
- 73 They haven't said.
- 74 Anyway, we, uh, we also have some exciting news to share.
- 75 (gasps) Oh, wait, wait... I... Shouldn't we just eat?
- 76 You know, I mean, God did take time out of his busy schedule to bless these Sloppy Joes.
- 77 Come on, Shelly, tell me your news.
- 78 All right. This is on you. (clears throat)
- 79 Amy and I are living together in sin, like a couple of New Yorkers.
- 80 Now, while you scold us, I'm going to get a knife and a fork.
- 81 Joe may be sloppy, but Sheldon's not.
- 82 Well, thank you for letting me know, and I, for one, am thrilled.
- 83 What?
- 84 What... Where's the judgment?
- 85 W-Where's the fire and brimstone?
- 86 Where's the part where you tell us we're going to Hell and I say have you seen the size of the bugs outside?
- 87 We're already there!
- 88 Obviously, I would prefer if you weren't living out of wedlock, but given your special circumstances, I'm very happy for you.
- 89 And what "special circumstances" are those?
- 90 Oh, boy, I think it's about to get bad.
- 91 Shelly, how do I put this?
- 92 By your third birthday, you had memorized over a thousand different kinds of trains, and I never imagined a woman getting aboard any of them.
- 93 What, so... You thought I was going to be alone for the rest of my life?
- 94 No! Just for the middle part.
- 95 'Cause at the end I assumed there'd be nurses.
- 96 Well, this is highly insulting.
- 97 Sheldon, don't overreact.
- 98 I'm the child she was worried about?
- 99 I have a brother and sister whose combined intellectual wattage couldn't power a potato clock, if I spotted them the potato.
- 100 Blah, blah, blah, blah, blah.
- 101 Blah, blah, blah, blah, blah.
- 102 What?
- 103 Well, I was in my room, I couldn't hear what they were saying.
- 104 I'll take over from here.

- 105 Amy: He's been in there a long time.
- 106 Should I go talk to him?
- 107 He's upset with me. I should be the one who talks to him.
- 108 Are you going to?
- 109 Oh, heck no.
- 110 Sheldon, what... what are you doing?
- 111 Just being the un-socialized eccentric my mother always thought I was.
- 112 You startin' to see why I didn't go in there?
- 113 Sheldon, if you're trying to prove me wrong, the tighty-whities on your head ain't changing my mind.
- 114 We're ignoring the fins... Okay.
- 115 Yeah. And I don't understand why you're taking her side.
- 116 By being my girlfriend, she's saying you're a weirdo, too.
- 117 I don't think that's what she's saying.
- 118 And...?
- 119 That's exactly what she was saying.
- 120 Can you believe my mother thinks we're both strange?
- 121 Absolutely not!
- 122 (quietly): That's... too loud.
- 123 Absolutely not.
- 124 Well, after that, Sheldon and I got out of the house for a while.
- 125 Well, first we buttered my feet to get the swim fins off, and then we went out.
- 126 You know, I'm sorry your mother made you feel bad.
- 127 But, you know, at the end of the day, she was wrong, because you're not alone.
- 128 You're right.
- 129 I have Leonard and Howard and Raj, Stuart, Penny, Leonard's mom, Bernadette, Wil Wheaton...
- 130 What about the woman who just buttered your big flat feet?
- 131 I was going chronologically.
- 132 You're right between Koothrappali's father and Omar, the one-eyed Sparkletts guv.
- 133 Well, let's try to not let it ruin the rest of our trip.
- 134 I knew we should've never mentioned us living together in the first place.
- 135 She was gonna find out eventually.
- 136 Disagree.
- 137 We've known about evolution since 1859.
- 138 She still believes in Noah and his amazing zoo boat.
- 139 This could have all been avoided if you'd only listened to me.
- 140 Sheldon, I knew your mother was fine with us living together because I already told her we were.
- 141 Why would you do that?
- 142 This was a potential issue, so I got out ahead of it and I managed the situation for you.
- 143 You "managed the situation."

- 144 That's right.
- 145 So my mother thought I was incapable of finding a mate, and my mate thinks I'm incapable of running my own life.
- 146 Not your whole life!
- 147 I mean, science. You got that.
- 148 Organizing your sock drawer, you're the king.
- 149 But understanding how other people are feeling, that's a weak spot for you.
- 150 I have gotten much better at that.
- 151 Have you?
- 152 How am I feeling right now?
- 153 What the... How should I know?
- 154 Excited? Itchy?
- 155 Give me the first letter.
- 156 You and I are in a relationship.
- 157 I help you with your shortcomings, and you help me with mine.
- 158 How would you feel if I contacted your mother behind your back?
- 159 Delighted that you showed any interest in my family at all?
- 160 "Delighted"?
- 161 What... Not if I guessed for a hundred years.
- 162 (knocking on door)
- 163 Hi.
- 164 Hey, guys.
- 165 Hey.
- 166 Hi. There's the little family!
- 167 Hello.
- 168 Hello.
- 169 And their Sherpas.
- 170 Mm-hmm.
- 171 The baby's asleep, can we put her in your room?
- 172 Yeah. Go ahead.
- 173 Do you need help?
- 174 No. I got it.
- 175 Doubtfire, Poppins, follow me.
- 176 Sorry we're late.
- 177 Oh, it's no problem, Amy and Sheldon were just telling us about their trip to Texas.
- 178 Yeah. Here.
- 179 I'll catch you up.
- 180 (gasps) How did we get in the car?
- 181 Stop.
- 182 Okay. They told Mary they were living together, there was a fight, he got his feelings hurt, then he put underwear on his head...
- 183 On purpose, not the way it used to happen in high school.
- 184 I was acting odd intentionally.
- 185 Really? So you can control it?

- 186 Okay. Then what happened?
- 187 Well, there's really not much left to tell.
- 188 I decided that my mother views me as a child because I never went through a rebellious phase, so, I got an earring.
- 189 (click, then Sheldon screams)
- 190 My mother made me take it out.
- 191 (screams)
- 192 Amy put alcohol on it.
- 193 (screams)
- 194 And here we are.
- 195 What did we miss?
- 196 I couldn't explain it if I tried.
- 197 So tell me, how did Sheldon look with an earring?
- 198 Like the pirate who helps the other pirates connect to the Internet.
- 199 So what did you and Leonard do?
- 200 Actually, we got in a pretty nasty fight.
- 201 It might've been the worst one we've ever had.
- 202 Oh, my God, what happened?
- 203 Well, we had started binge-watching Luke Cage together, and it was kind of our thing, and then, I find out that she watched two episodes without me.
- 204 It's like I was excited for a present and got socks.
- 205 I don't understand how that turns into the worst fight of your life.
- 206 I don't understand what's wrong with socks.
- 207 To be fair, we may have been on edge because of the Christmas tree.
- 208 What happened with the tree?
- 209 ("Sleigh Ride" by The Ronettes plays)
- 210 You do make a cute elf.
- 211 Oh, yeah?
- 212 And you thought Spock ears were only good for Comic-Con.
- 213 Hey, hey, I just found a farm where they let you chop down your own tree.
- 214 Oh cool, I'll be like a pointy-eared Paul Bunyan.
- 215 Stupid idea.
- 216 No, what's stupid is a physicist who doesn't understand when you swing an axe, you don't let go.
- 217 For the tenth time, my mittens were slippery!
- 218 Ugh.
- 219 It's 70 degrees, you didn't need mittens.
- 220 You know how easily I blister.
- 221 Yes, ves, vou bruise, vou peel.
- 222 It's like I'm married to an old piece of fruit.
- 223 Look, we could keep fighting and let it ruin our night, or-or we can stop and try to salvage the evening.
- 224 Fine. Thank you.
- 225 Leonard?
- 226 Yeah.
- 227 There's something on the windshield.

- 228 (grunting)
- 229 You need a break?
- 230 Do not need a break.
- 231 There's no shame in asking for a break.
- 232 If I need a break, I'll ask for a break!
- 233 Ugh.
- 234 Leonard?
- 235 Yeah?
- 236 There's a tree on you.
- 237 Oh!
- 238 Sh...
- 239 Ooh.
- 240 Ah.
- 241 You want to decorate it tonight?
- 242 Yeah, with gasoline and a match? Sure.
- 243 (both groan)
- 244 (both panting)
- 245 (animal chittering)
- 246 I hope it kills us both.
- 247 By the way, if anyone asks, the elevator shaft always had a tree in it.
- 248 So Bernadette, if I express interest in your baby will you promise not to make me touch it?
- 249 Sure.
- 250 Hey, how's life with your baby?
- 251 Really? You're never gonna touch their baby?
- 252 To this day I've never touched Stuart.
- 253 It's been wonderful, Sheldon, thanks for asking.
- 254 (baby crying)
- 255 Bernadette: Oh, please stop crying, I'm begging you!
- 256 I don't know what else to do!
- 257 My boobs are empty.
- 258 Do you want lasagna?
- 259 (baby continues crying)
- 260 Shh, shh, shh, it's okay, it's okay.
- 261 Shh.
- 262 (crying stops)
- 263 What have we done?
- 264 Hey, I found superhero baby wipes, the perfect way to clean up crime... and tushies.
- 265 (chuckles)
- 266 (baby crying)
- 267 Ugh.
- 268 It took me two hours to get her down.
- 269 Oh, you-you relax, I'll take this shift.
- 270 You know, in India when my baby brother cried like that, the servants would just take him far away so we couldn't hear it.

- 271 Not always, sometimes we'd leave.
- 272 (crying stops)
- 273 Hey, he got her to stop.
- 274 That was so fast.
- 275 Oh, he's really good with her.
- 276 (voice breaking): Yeah, he has a gift.
- 277 What's the matter?
- 278 Nothing, these are happy tears.
- 279 Oh, good. (chuckles)
- 280 No they're not, you bozo!
- 281 How come Stuart can get her to stop crying, but I can't?
- 282 I mean, it's Stuart.
- 283 Maybe she's playing possum until he goes away.
- 284 Not funny.
- 285 She's tired, that was funny.
- 286 Everyone's a better mom than me.
- 287 Oh, don't take it so personally, maybe your baby's just a jerk.
- 288 (cries loudly)
- 289 Wait, so how does the story end?
- 290 Is the baby a jerk or is Bernadette a bad mother?
- 291 Sheldon!
- 292 W-What?
- 293 Is there another twist coming?
- 294 Is the baby not theirs at all?
- 295 Ignore him.
- 296 How did you get the baby to stop crying?
- 297 Oh, I just talked to her.
- 298 I've been told the sound of my voice puts people to sleep.
- 299 You poor things, you must be exhausted.
- 300 It has been hard to sleep with all the crying.
- 301 (crying loudly)
- 302 How can she hate me?
- 303 I make her food in my chest!
- 304 It's like hating a frozen yogurt machine.
- 305 She doesn't hate you, stop saying that.
- 306 Now you hate me too!
- 307 Shh, I don't hate you.
- 308 (baby crying)
- 309 (crying)
- 310 (crying)
- 311 (all three crying)
- 312 It says here that up to 80313 And that the best thing to do is reassure
- them that they're doing a good job.
- 314 Bernadette, you are doing a good job.
- 315 Thank you, Sheldon, I'm feeling better now.
- 316 Thank you, Internet.

- 317 I'm telling you, with the right YouTube video, I can give Howard a vasectomy.
- 318 So things started to turn around?
- 319 Yeah, eventually I figured out how to get the baby to sleep.
- 320 Please tell me you didn't use Amy's magic juice.
- 321 (whispering): Bernie?
- 322 Bernadette: Shh.
- 323 She's asleep.
- 324 Great.
- 325 And where are you?
- 326 Down here.
- 327 Oh. (chuckles)
- 328 This is new.
- 329 I didn't know what else to do.
- 330 It worked.
- 331 Well, I'd say that's thinking outside the box, but... (clicks tongue) ...come on.
- 332 (chuckles)
- 333 Don't make me laugh.
- 334 (softly): Oh.
- 335 Do you need help getting out?
- 336 I think I live here now.
- 337 It's fine. (chuckles)
- 338 Is it okay if I get some sleep?
- 339 Yeah, go ahead.
- 340 Good job, Mommy.
- 341 (chuckles)
- 342 I'm proud of you.
- 343 (voice breaking): Don't make me cry, either.
- 344 Good night.
- 345 I love both my girls.
- 346 We love you, too.
- 347 I can't believe you fit in the crib.
- 348 I could take a bath in the sink.
- 349 I don't, but I can.
- 350 So how were your holidays?
- 351 Oh, thank you for asking.
- 352 Uh, I, uh, went to visit my grandmother.
- 353 She's in Bakersfield.
- 354 Uh, usually my brother and sister go...
- 355 (all snoring)
- 356 Oh, come on!
- 357 That was fun, thank you.
- 358 Yeah, thanks.
- 359 Our pleasure.
- 360 See you guys at work.

- 361 Koothrappali: Be there bright and early.
- 362 Not me, paternity leave.
- 363 Oh!
- 364 A small human wreaks havoc on his wife's genitals and he gets time off.
- 365 With pay, sucka!
- 366 (door closes)
- 367 Forgot the baby, still new to this.

## 2.13 Episode 13: The Romance Recalibration

- 1 Previously on The Big Bang Theory...
- 2 (baby crying)
- 3 Bernadette: Please stop crying.
- 4 I'm begging you. I don't know what else to do.
- 5 My boobs are empty.
- 6 Do you want lasagna?
- 7 (baby fussing)
- 8 It's okay, it's okay.
- 9 Shh...
- 10 (crying stops)
- 11 What have we done?
- 12 (door opens)
- 13 (soft music playing)
- 14 What... what's all this?
- 15 Well, it sounded like you were having a rough day, so I wanted you to come home to something nice.
- 16 Oh, that is so thoughtful.
- 17 Hey, do you remember when we went wine tasting in Santa Barbara and you said that was the best rosé you'd ever had?
- 18 Yeah, I remember us driving up there, going to the winery and... that's it.
- 19 And this wine is why.
- 20 Oh.
- 21 Hey, what smells so good?
- 22 I made your favorite: pizza bagels!
- 23 (gasps)
- 24 Pink wine and pizza bagels?
- 25 It's like eighth grade all over again.
- 26 I am so lucky to have you.
- 27 Well, now be careful, these are hot.
- 28 I-I could explain the thermodynamics of why the cheese seems hotter than the crust, but instead, I'm gonna keep it to myself.
- 29 Oh.
- 30 You always know what not to say.
- 31 I just, I can't believe you did all this.
- 32 Well, you know, it's easy to take each other for granted and I never want to do that to you, because your love, it's like a river.

- 33 It's peaceful and deep.
- 34 Your soul is, it's like a secret that I never could keep.
- 35 You did not just quote an NSYNC song.
- 36 I quoted your favorite NSYNC song.
- 37 Oh... (chuckles)
- 38  $\mathrm{Mm}.$
- 39 (belches)
- 40 (chuckling): Damn.
- 41 I burped so hard, I died in my game.
- 42 (laughs)
- 43 Our whole universe was in a hot, dense state
- 44 Then nearly 14 billion years ago expansion started... Wait!
- 45 The Earth began to cool
- 46 The autotrophs began to drool, Neanderthals developed tools
- 47 We built the Wall
- 48 We built the pyramids
- 49 Math, Science, History, unraveling the mystery
- 50 That all started with a big bang
- 51 Bang!
- 52 The Big Bang Theory 10x13
- 53 The Romance Recalibration
- 54 Leonard, I've been meaning to ask you: what size shoe do you wear?
- 55 Why?
- 56 I'm trying to take more of an interest in other people's lives.
- 57 That's nice.
- 58 I wear a size eight and a half.
- 59 (giggles) That's small.
- 60 So, tell me, do you have any plans for the weekend?
- 61 Are you gonna laugh at the answer?
- 62 Only if the answer is "shopping for baby shoes."
- 63 If you must know, Penny won a spa weekend from work and she's taking me.
- 64 Oh, well you know, that is interesting.
- 65 I wonder what kind of infection you'll come home with.
- 66 My money's on fungal.
- 67 They're still having girl's night across the hall.
- 68 Oh, so, hang out with me and we'll have boys' night.
- 69 At our age, why don't we call it man's night?
- 70 Because we just spent our allowance on comic books.
- 71 Penny, is it weird that we're having girls' night here, but you don't live here anymore, so it's basically my girls' night?
- 72 I hadn't really thought about it.
- 73 But now you're thinking about it and it bothers you?
- 74 I get that.
- 75 Things going well with you and Sheldon living together?
- 76 Better than ever.

- 77 He asks about my day, takes an interest in my life.
- 78 He's like my boyfriend in college, except he's real, so people can see him.
- 79 I've been seeing him for years, I'm still not convinced he's real.
- 80 Hey, can I ask you a question?
- 81 You've been married for a while.
- 82 Is it normal for the husband to kind of completely stop giving a crap?
- 83 (sighs) Uh-oh, what's going on?
- 84 Well, Leonard used to do all these things, like bring me flowers and wear pants.
- 85 It's okay, Howie never has on pants.
- 86 The Domino's guy brings the pizza like this now.
- 87 Well, Sheldon always has his pants on.
- 88 I don't think I could pick his knees out of a lineup.
- 89 Well, it's not just the pants.
- 90 Just, it's like since we got married, he doesn't really try anymore.
- 91 Uh, Penny?
- 92 I don't know how to say this, but this is my first girls' night and you're kind of bumming everybody out.
- 93 All right, got Halley to sleep.
- 94 Yeah, I heard you on the baby monitor.
- 95 Didn't think you could turn the theme from Walking Dead into a lullaby.
- 96 Yeah, got to get her hooked on TV, or someday, she'll want me to play outside.
- 97 Boy, that floor is so squeaky.
- 98 I'm surprised I didn't wake her up walking out of the room.
- 99 Have you tried anything to fix it?
- 100 Well, I put the rug down.
- 101 It didn't help.
- 102 I know. Blue shag.
- 103 What were you thinking?
- 104 Did try nailing a couple of the boards down.
- 105 Did that do anything?
- 106 Yeah, it left little holes in the floor, that's why I bought the rug.
- 107 If you do that, I'll win in eight moves.
- 108 I'll win in five moves.
- 109 I'll win in one move.
- 110 Oh, no. Good game.
- 111 Hey.
- 112 Hev.
- 113 Oh, Penny, I'm trying to take an interest in other people.
- 114 Uh, how was your girls' night?
- 115 Oh, it was fine.
- 116 Hmm. Did you have anything to eat?
- 117 Uh, chips.
- 118 (stammers) Anything to drink?
- 119 Some wine.

- 120 Well, I'm just playing tennis against the drapes here.
- 121 Just ignore him.
- 122 Hmm. At least he took an interest.
- 123 What's that supposed to mean?
- 124 Nothing.
- 125 Hey, what's going on with you?
- 126 I don't want to talk about it.
- 127 Well, hey, come on, just tell me.
- 128 Fine.
- 129 Lately, I kind of feel like you've been taking me for granted.
- 130 Wh-what? Where is this coming from?
- 131 Sheldon: Leonard.
- 132 She might be drunk.
- 133 All she had was chips.
- 134 It's just, since we got married you seem to think you don't have to try anymore.
- 135 That is ridiculous.
- 136 This is exactly why I didn't want to talk about it.
- 137 No, No, no, no. Let's talk about it.
- 138 I'm the one who's made all the effort in this relationship since day one.
- 139 Please tell me what more I could do.
- 140 Okay. You know what? Maybe I'll take Amy with me to the spa this weekend instead.
- 141 Fine, go ahead.
- 142 Amy is free.
- 143 She had a harp lesson on Saturday, but it got canceled...
- 144 Boy, when you take an interest in people, you really uncork a geyser of nonsense.
- 145 Okay. Thanks, Daddy.
- 146 He said the only way to really fix an old floor like that is to tear it up and replace the whole thing.
- 147 That sounds expensive. Hang on.
- 148 No offense to her father, but he's not an MIT-trained engineer.
- 149 Thinking and building is what you do.
- 150 MIT's motto is "Mind and hand," which just so happens was also my motto as a lonely teenager.
- 151 Oh, come on. We just need to be more creative.
- 152 What if you didn't step on the floor at all?
- 153 Like, what if you... swung on a rope from the ceiling?
- 154 (grunts)
- 155 (groans)
- 156 No.
- 157 Okay. Um... Okay. What if you rig up a pulley system and move yourself across the room in a harness?
- 158 (creaking)
- 159 No.

- 160 Bernadette: I have one.
- 161 What if you got a giant slingshot and flung yourself into the wall?
- 162 Is that supposed to be funny?
- 163 Hold on.
- 164 (screaming)
- 165 Yeah, that's funny.
- 166 All right, we're heading out.
- 167 Mm-hmm.
- 168 I'll call you when we get to the hotel.
- 169 And if they have any of those tiny bottles of shampoo?
- 170 I will bring them home so you can show me how Godzilla takes a shower.
- 171 Have fun.
- 172 Thanks.
- 173 Are you ready?
- 174 Uh-huh.
- 175 Bye, Sheldon.
- 176 You know what?
- 177 I feel uncomfortable engaging in a public display of affection while their relationship is strained.
- 178 Go ahead, it's fine.
- 179 Bye.
- 180 Bye.
- 181 Okay! Let's go!
- 182 Bye.
- 183 Bye.
- 184 I'll miss you.
- 185 Yeah, I'll miss you, too.
- 186 I'll miss you more.
- 187 Well, if X equals the amount that you'll miss me, then I'll miss you X plus one. (giggles)
- 188 If you miss me X plus one, I'll miss you open paren X plus one, close paren to the second...
- 189 Thank you.
- 190 You're sad, so I made you tea.
- 191 Thanks.
- 192 And it's just the way you like it.
- 193 Earl Grey?
- 194 Yes.
- 195 Honey?
- 196 Yes.
- 197 Unsweetened almond-
- 198 Good Lord!
- 199 I made you tea. Just drink it!
- 200 Sorry, thank you.
- 201 Well, what can we do to cheer you up?
- 202 I really don't know.

- 203 You want to play Jenga?
- 204 Or, uh, Ticket to Ride?
- 205 Hearthstone?

## 2.14 Episode 14: The Emotion Detection Automation

- 1 What's going on with that woman you're dating?
- 2 I broke up with her.
- 3 Why?
- 4 She said she didn't want to see me anymore and I found that insulting.
- 5 I thought things were going well. What happened?
- 6 I don't know, she didn't even give me a reason.
- 7 Oh, not a problem, we can figure this out.
- 8 What are the reasons women reject Raj?
- 9 Koothrappali: Can we not play this game?
- 10 Sheldon: Doesn't like games. That's one.
- 11 Ignore him.
- 12 Yeah, sorry about the breakup.
- 13 That's okay, I'm fine.
- 14 Sheldon: Of course you're fine.
- 15 Not every member of a species finds a mate.
- 16 Sir Isaac Newton died a virgin.
- 17 Look at the contributions he made.
- 18 I'm not a virgin, Sheldon.
- 19 Wha... So now you think you're better than Isaac Newton? Oh.
- 20 No wonder women don't like you.
- 21 You're not being very nice.
- 22 Sheldon: What? He said he was fine.
- 23 Wolowitz: Sometimes people say things they don't mean.
- 24 Sheldon: Oh, that's a paradox.
- 25 I-If you meant what you just said, then that means you may not have meant what you just said.
- 26 Careful, I saw this on Star Trek.
- 27 Smoke's gonna come out of his ears soon.
- 28 Hey. Hey, boys. How's it going?
- 29 Well, I thought we were having a nice conversation, but it turns out, I was being offensive.
- 30 So, normal. Yeah-
- 31 (door closes)
- 32 Sheldon, what did you do?
- 33 We were discussing Raj's recent breakup and apparently, I was insensitive to him.
- 34 It's okay, I'm fine.
- 35 You Di- Don't fall for it.
- 36 He'll get you to compare him to a dead virgin, and suddenly you're the bad guy.

- 37 Sheldon, when I said I was fine, I meant I didn't want to talk about it anymore.
- 38 Then why didn't you say that?
- 39 Because that's not what people do.
- 40 Well, I would prefer if people told me exactly what is on their mind.
- 41 No. No, you don't, you really don't.
- 42 I actually can't say "don't" enough.
- 43 Well, it certainly would be easier.
- 44 You have no idea what it's like to struggle with recognizing emotional cues.
- 45 I'm sure it's extremely frustrating.
- 46 Thank you. And also a little sad.
- 47 O-Okay, now you're just showing off.
- 48 You know, I just read that a team at MIT. developed a device that helps people read human emotions.
- 49 And you think we can get those guys to reprogram Sheldon? Cool.
- 50 It's supposed to be accurate, like, 8551 Wow, I find that hard to believe.
- 52 That a bunch of awkward scientists with no social skills would invent a machine to do it for them?
- 53 I take it back. I believe it.
- 54 You ift's at MIT, I can make some calls.
- 55 Maybe we can get Sheldon a prototype.
- 56 What do you think?
- 57 A machine that reads emotions is intriguing.
- 58 It could help me be a more considerate friend.
- 59 Wouldn't that be nice.
- 60 It could also help me identify my enemies, discover their fears and then...
- 61 I could use those fears to destroy them.
- 62 I like the first one.
- 63 Our whole universe was in a hot, dense state
- 64 Then nearly 14 billion years ago expansion started... Wait!
- 65 The Earth began to cool
- 66 The autotrophs began to drool, Neanderthals developed tools
- 67 We built the Wall
- 68 We built the pyramids
- 69 Math, Science, History, unraveling the mystery
- 70 That all started with a big bang
- 71 Bang!
- 72 The Big Bang Theory 10x14
- 73 The Emotion Detection Automation
- 74 Now that Sheldon's across the hall, have you decided what you're doing with his old room?
- 75 I was thinking maybe a library or a gaming room.
- 76 You could make it a train room.
- 77 I don't like trains.
- 78 You like trains.
- 79 I know, and Amy says I can't have a train room.

- 80 Sheldon, I just heard from the guys at MIT about that emotion reader; they're sending a prototype for you to beta test.
- 81 (gasps)
- 82 Wonderful.
- 83 Although I'm not sure how I feel about being used as a guinea pig.
- 84 Well, when you get the machine, you can find out.
- 85 Maybe I could use it to understand why women keep dumping me.
- 86 Oh, you don't need a machine for that, just send a survey card to all your ex-girlfriends and tell them if they fill it out they might win a prize.
- 87 That's actually not a bad idea.
- 88 Maybe I could even get them all together, sort of like a... a focus group, to find out what's wrong with me.
- 89 (chuckles) No, Raj, that's a terrible idea.
- 90 Yeah, I was joking.
- 91 You... Really?
- 92 Uh, little tip: jokes are often better when you end them with "Wocka Wocka" or "ha-cha-cha."
- 93 Hey, great news. The TV I want will fit in the gaming room, and if I leave the curtains open, I can watch it from work.
- 94 Hey, can you hold off redoing the room?
- 95 My brother's coming out here in a few weeks.
- 96 Oh. Yeah. Okay, sure. What's going on with your brother?
- 97 My dad asked if I can get him a job interview at my work.
- 98 Huh. Is that a good idea?
- 99 I mean, you think they'll consider someone who was in prison for selling drugs?
- 100 Well, I sell pharmaceuticals.
- 101 That's just a really hard to spell word for drugs.
- 102 Well, I'm sure he'll appreciate carrying his samples in a briefcase instead of his colon.
- 103 How long do you think he'll stay?
- 104 I-I'm not sure.
- 105 Maybe a few days.
- 106 Unless he gets the job, then who knows?
- 107 Hmm. "Who knows?"
- 108 That's exciting.
- 109 I'll get to wake up every morning and see if he's still here.
- 110 You don't have a problem with this, do you?
- 111 Of course not. I mean, he's your brother.
- 112 Okay. Thank you, you're the best. Mm.
- 113 Remember that when the new TV falls off the wall and crushes us both.
- 114 This thing's pretty cool.
- 115 It interprets emotions using a wireless signal to analyze subtle changes in breathing and heart rate.
- 116 It's amazing a machine can do that.
- 117 Yes.

- 118 Now, when the robots rise up, they'll know that I've been rooting for them the whole time.
- 119 The display is synced to your phone.
- 120 Give it a try.
- 121 All right.
- 122 Now, I'm gonna look at some pictures to prompt an emotional response, and we'll see if the machine can identify them accurately.
- 123 Okay, remember, it can only detect happy, sad, angry and excited.
- 124 Not other things you're feeling, like, "What have I done with my life?"
- 125 Okay, I'm looking at the first picture.
- 126 You are... happy?
- 127 Yes. I'm looking at puppies.
- 128 Aw. Somebody's ignoring their tiny needle teeth, but all right.
- 129 Try another one.
- 130 Okay.
- 131 What does it say I'm feeling?
- 132 Sad.
- 133 Yes. I'm looking at a picture of my grandma.
- 134 Oh, that makes sense, 'cause she's gone and you miss her.
- 135 Yes.
- 136 And you're worried that turkey neck is in your future.
- 137 What, now, see...
- 138 Now it says you're mad.
- 139 Make up your mind.
- 140 Okay, Emily.
- 141 Yeah, sounds great.
- 142 (chuckles)
- 143 See you then.
- 144 Is that Emily your ex-girlfriend?
- 145 Yeah. I'm getting all my exes together in order to discuss why they broke up with me and how I can be a better boyfriend.
- 146 Oh, God. You went through with that?
- 147 What is wrong with you?
- 148 We are going to find out.
- 149 Why would you do that, Raj?
- 150 Well, I want information in order to improve myself.
- 151 You're not gonna get information, you're just gonna get criticism that hurts your feelings.
- 152 Don't worry, I'm a grown man.
- 153 I have a thick skin.
- 154 (chuckles): You're so stupid.
- 155 Hey!
- 156 Hey, would you take a look at my brother's résumé?
- 157 I'm trying to help him clean it up a little.
- 158 Yeah, sure.
- 159 He really worked with the Drug Enforcement Agency?

- 160 He didn't know it till he was cuffed, but yeah.
- 161 Hey, Leonard, if you're happy and you know it, no need to clap your hands, because I have an emotion detector.
- 162 How's it working out?
- 163 Surprisingly well.
- 164 That's great, I'm happy for you.
- 165 No, wait, uh, hold on.
- 166 Oh, what, you are.
- 167 Aren't you sweet?
- 168 What's that? Are you working on your resume?
- 169 No, it's my brother's.
- 170 I'm trying to help him get a job out here.
- 171 Oh, ooh! And that makes Leonard angry.
- 172 No, it doesn't.
- 173 What, Leonard, please. I know an angry face when I see it.
- 174 It's this red frowny guy on my phone.
- 175 What? Are you really upset about Randall coming?
- 176 No.
- 177 Yes.
- 178 I said no.
- 179 I-It's like you're twins.
- 180 Leonard, if you're mad about this, just tell me.
- 181 (sighs)
- 182 Fine.
- 183 You invited your drug dealer brother to stay with us for God knows how long and didn't bother to ask me first.
- 184 He's my brother!
- 185 I didn't think I needed your permission.
- 186 Well, hey.
- 187 Now she's angry, too.
- 188 This thing works like gangbusters.
- 189 I'm not saying you have to ask my permission, but you could have talked to me about it before you said it was okay.
- 190 Like you talked to me about your gaming room?
- 191 Our gaming room!
- 192 I was gonna put a scented candle in it.
- 193 He's still mad.
- 194 Stop enjoying their fight.
- 195 You first.
- 196 If you were this upset, why didn't you say so when I told you?
- 197 Because I didn't want to sound like a jerk.
- 198 Well, you sound like one now.
- 199 I don't see the big deal if my brother comes and stays for a while.
- 200 If you get him a job, he's gonna live here forever!
- 201 He would get his own place.
- 202 Has he ever had his own place?

- 203 Yes!
- 204 Did it have a metal toilet next to the bed?
- 205 It still counts.
- 206 You know, how is this any different from you making me live with Sheldon?
- 207 You... Hev!
- 208 I shared my Honey Nut Cheerios with you.
- 209 You gave me a bill at the end of every month.
- 210 Stay out of this.
- 211 You and your stupid machine started this fight!
- 212 (gasps) You are lucky that this feelings machine doesn't have feelings.
- 213 Come on, Sheldon, let's go.
- 214 Gladly.
- 215 Can we storm out?
- 216 I think it loses its impact if we're chatting about it.
- 217 Fine.
- 218 I'll just give them the finger.
- 219 Okay, first off, I want to thank you all so much for coming.
- 220 Howard is here to interpret for Emily, and to take notes.
- 221 No, he doesn't think it's stupid.
- 222 Uh, heads up, both of you are named Emily, so we'll call you "red-headed Emily" and you, "red-headed Emily, Junior."
- 223 Hey, you went out with him. I didn't.
- 224 Okay, uh, let's get things started.
- 225 Um, why don't we go around the room, say your name, and why you broke up with me.
- 226 Want to kick it off?
- 227 Oh, okay. Um... I'm Lucy, and I broke up with Raj because I have severe social anxiety, and he kept trying to force me into uncomfortable situations.
- 228 Like this one?
- 229 Yeah.
- 230 I did do that.
- 231 I can be insensitive to other people's boundaries.
- 232 Howard, would you write that down?
- 233 Oh... schmuck. Got it.
- 234 Uh, next?
- 235 Okay. Um...
- 236 I'm Claire.
- 237 And I guess I broke up with you because you were just really needy.
- 238 Also, you were incredibly vain—like, all the time you spent shaping your eyebrows...
- 239 Okay, new rule- everybody only gets one.
- 240 Uh, next?
- 241 Ooh, I'm not sure I'm comfortable sharing details about our relationship in front of Howard.
- 242 Oh. He's here to support me, so anything you have to say you can say in front of him.

- 243 Okay. Well, whenever you and I were in bed...
- 244 Howard, get out.
- 245 Not a chance.
- 246 (chuckles)
- 247 So, you were telling us how Raj was terrible in bed.
- 248 Sheldon, dinner's ready.
- 249 I made beef loaf, because I know you're uncomfortable with the non-specificity of meat loaf.
- 250 Sheldon?
- 251 Hey, are you okay?
- 252 Not really.
- 253 What's going on?
- 254 I wish I never tried that device.
- 255 And I know I said the same thing after the massage chair, but this time I mean it.
- 256 I'm sorry Leonard and Penny hurt your feelings.
- 257 It's more than that.
- 258 It's me.
- 259 I always knew I had trouble recognizing other people's emotions, but that machine just made it so real.
- 260 Well, everybody has things that they need help with.
- 261 Like me- I can't see without my glasses.
- 262 And right now you're just a, a cute, pink smudge wearing a childish green smudge.
- 263 I thought I was getting better at it, but clearly I'm not.
- 264 Yes, you are.
- 265 There have definitely been days when I was sad and you could tell.
- 266 Yeah, but that's shooting fish in a barrel.
- 267 You're kind of a sad sack.
- 268 I'm sorry, I shouldn't have said that.
- 269 I'm just upset.
- 270 No, see, right there, you knew you hurt my feelings.
- 271 And I'm proud of you– for reasons I'm sure have something to do with my father.
- 272 And if you don't like that machine, get rid of it.
- 273 Because I love you exactly the way you are.
- 274 I feel the same way about you.
- 275 Now, put your glasses back on.
- 276 You look weird.
- 277 I thought you were great, but, oh, my God, you were so dominated by your parents.
- 278 Emily: Oh, yeah, and that used to drive me nuts.
- 279 He's kind of a mama's boy.
- 280 Kind of?
- 281 Koothrappali: Whoa, okay!
- 282 That's enough.

- 283 Write down "loving son."
- 284 Can I just say something?
- 285 Going out with Raj was one of the best things that ever happened to me.
- 286 Yes, I'll take you back.
- 287 (chuckles): Let me finish.
- 288 It's like I needed to go through that experience to know what exactly I
- don't want in a man.
- 289 Well, that's hard to hear, but I'll still take you back.
- 290 You know, the same thing happened to me.
- 291 After I broke up with Raj, I met Gary, who's just amazing.
- 292 Sorry, is that "Gary" with one R or two?
- 293 Would you stop writing?!
- 294 Just wait. So... did all of you go on to better relationships after me?
- 295 Oh, yeah.
- 296 Without question.
- 297 Little before, actually.
- 298 Oh, wow.
- 299 (chuckles)
- 300 Don't let him get away.
- 301 Wait.
- 302 What did she say?
- 303 Uh, basically, she traded you for Bruce Wayne.
- 304 (sighs) Okay, maybe we should just end this.
- 305 (sighs)
- 306 Wait, hang on.
- 307 I just want to point out to everyone here, this is a man who is going to great lengths to better himself.
- 308 Even at the risk of...
- 309 (chuckles): being humiliated.
- 310 And I, for one, think that's very brave.
- 311 Thank you, Howard.
- 312 Honestly, I'm surprised you two didn't wind up together.
- 313 Well, like you gals, I had to suffer through him to find Bernadette.
- 314 (goofy voice): With it were you.
- 315 Yes?
- 316 We owe you an apology.
- 317 Oh, it's fine.
- 318 You needed a suitcase, I wasn't home, you borrowed a suitcase.
- 319 That was six years ago.
- 320 I'm talking about tonight.
- 321 Oh.
- 322 Well, I thought we were going in order.
- 323 Look, we got really angry at each other, and you just got caught in the middle of it.
- 324 Leonard: And... sorry about the suitcase.
- 325 Yeah, well, you should be.

- 326 Your socks were still in it.
- 327 I had to throw it away.
- 328 Anyway, I, uh, trust that you've resolved your conflict.
- 329 Yes, we're fine.
- 330 Mm, Penny's gonna call her dad and tell him it's not a good time for Randall to visit.
- 331 Hopefully, he won't be too upset.
- 332 Oh, you're his little girl- he can't stay mad at you.
- 333 He won't be mad at me.
- 334 I mean, you're the one who doesn't want my brother to come, so...
- 335 So you're gonna throw me under the bus?
- 336 Oh, I'm gonna throw you so hard, I might actually win a stuffed animal.
- 337 Uh, guys, it sounds like you're getting angry again.
- 338 That's because we are.
- 339 Yes!
- 340 I don't need an emotion machine!
- 341 I am one!
- 342 Thanks, ladies!
- 343 This was fun!
- 344 Let's not wait so long for another bizarre, awkward night.
- 345 Well, that was a waste of time.
- 346 I'm such an idiot.
- 347 Don't beat yourself up.
- 348 That's what I'm here for.
- 349 Maybe I won't settle down.
- 350 Maybe I'll just play the field.
- 351 Yeah, the field was just here.
- 352 The field said no.
- 353 Dude, come on.
- 354 (sighs)
- 355 Okay, I'll tell you what.
- 356 I'll make you a deal.
- 357 30 years from now, if you're still single and things don't work out with me and Bernadette... you and I can give it a go.
- 358 I appreciate the offer, but if things don't work out with you two, I'm swooping in on her like a vulture.
- 359 Too late.
- 360 Stuart called dibs.
- 361 But theoretically, if you and I were in a gay relationship, how would we tell people?
- 362 Like, print up announcements?
- 363 (chuckles) I don't know.
- 364 What difference does it make?
- 365 Well, I want to make sure we get invited to all the parades.
- 366 Those do look fun.
- 367 Yeah. Well, if you want to march in a fishnet crop top, you better lay off

- that dip.
- 368 If you didn't want me to eat it, why'd you put it out?
- 369 It was for the girls.
- 370 They broke up with me-
- 371 I don't care if they get fat.
- 372 I'm not gonna get fat.
- 373 Oh, you want to bet?
- 374 You never exercise.
- 375 Fine. Look, I'll exercise right now.
- 376 (strained grunting): One... two...
- 377 (crunching)
- 378 These are crunches, by the way.
- 379 Very mature.
- 380 Keep eating like that.
- 381 You're gonna have a heart attack.
- 382 Okay. How about if I eat like this?
- 383 Mmm...
- 384 (laughing): You're such a child.
- 385 Hey, is that any way to talk to your future husband?
- 386 Hey, I was being hypothetical, okay?
- 387 I would never marry you.
- 388 Please.
- 389 When you see the ring I pick out, you're gonna melt.
- 390 Yeah, right.
- 391 Wait, is it rose gold?
- 392 Actually, don't tell me.
- 393 I want to be surprised.
- 394 So, did you wind up sending that machine back?
- 395 I did. You know, I'm not even sure how accurate it was.
- 396 I took it to the train store—it said everyone was sad.
- 397 I finally got Halley to sleep.
- 398 You know, I just read a study that suggests new mothers are better at sensing emotions for up to two years.
- 399 Amy: It's true.
- 400 Pregnancy causes physiological changes in the brain that result in increased empathy. all we need to do is get Sheldon knocked up.
- 401 We can't. He was already fixed when I found him at the shelter.
- 402 Hey, uh, Bernadette, let's test this theory.
- 403 What do you think I'm feeling right now?
- 404 Let's see.
- 405 You're better than us, a little bit sorry for us, but mostly glad you don't have to be us.
- 406 Keep filling this one with babies. She's good.

# 2.15 Episode 15: The Locomotion Reverberation

- 1 Okay, I'm zeroing out the electro-osmotic flow rate in the micro-fluidic channel.
- 2 Nicely done, Howard.
- 3 Well, my wife is four-foot-ten and sexually satisfied, so clearly I know my way around tiny things.
- 4 Good for you, on the cutting edge of new technology and still making inappropriate comments about the mother of your child.
- 5 Those are just the things I say out loud.
- 6 Gentlemen, we need to stop immediately.
- 7 What's wrong?
- 8 I'm looking at the math, and I think we can make the device between eight and ten percent smaller.
- 9 That's great, but the Air Force approved the specs.
- 10 We're good to go.
- 11 Yeah. It doesn't need to be smaller.
- 12 Shame on you.
- 13 Where would we be if poodle breeders had that attitude?
- 14 I'll tell you.
- 15 We would have the standard and the miniature poodle, but no toy or teacup.
- 16 Which by the way, is not an officially recognized breed, but that's just poodle politics.
- 17 Can we please stop talking about poodles?
- 18 Fine. Candy bars.
- 19 Now, do you enjoy a fun size?I know you do.
- 20 Sheldon, we don't need to make this smaller.
- 21 Your work is done. Go home.
- 22 I don't want to go home.
- 23 Fine, go for a little walk.
- 24 Then what?
- 25 Just keep walking.
- 26 Our whole universe was in a hot, dense state
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- 37 At least it's quiet when he takes bathroom breaks.
- 38 I know.

- 39 That's why I keep refilling his water when he's not looking.
- 40 You're kidding.
- 41 I don't care if we're in a drought, it's worth it.
- 42 You know, I-I do have a way to get him out of our hair.
- 43 I've been holding onto this for a few years, but maybe now's the time.
- 44 W-We can just lock the door; you don't have to kill him.
- 45 You can't kill him; he'll just respawn at the last save point.
- 46 Oh, that was my sixth trip to the bathroom.
- 47 As long as that's not a urinary tract infection, that's a personal best.
- 48 Hey, uh, buddy, I got you a little present.
- 49 Really?
- 50 Yeah. Go ahead, open it.
- 51 "Congratulations. The bearer of this certificate is entitled to the ultimate train experience at The Nevada Northern Railway. You are at the throttle. You are the engineer. You are running the locomotive."
- 52 This doesn't happen very often, but here comes a hug.
- 53 Oh, dear! I have to tinkle again!
- 54 Okay. Where were we?
- 55 For Howie's occupation, should I include that he was an astronaut?
- 56 Well, he mentioned it in his mother's eulogy, so why not?
- 57 I can't believe you have to fill out a preschool application for an infant.
- 58 Uh, the one at Caltech has a crazy wait list.
- 59 I warned you, a lot of people apply when they're still pregnant. Well, I didn't.
- 60 I also skipped a birthing class to see Zootopia, so back off.
- 61 Whoa. Just trying to help.
- 62 Sorry. Howie's back at work and there's just so much going on.
- 63 Is there anything we can do?
- 64 Sure. Open up a college fund, shop for life insurance, and in the laundry room, there's a mountain of dirty laundry.
- 65 Wash it or burn in, your choice.
- 66 (Halley crying over monitor) Ugh, be right back.
- 67 No, no. I will take care of it.
- 68 Oh, thank you.
- 69 While I'm gone, you can think about how mean you were to me.
- 70 All right, you know what you need?
- 71 A night away from all of this.
- 72 You know, where you can just kind of relax and...
- 73 (Halley continues crying over monitor)
- 74 I'm just gonna... turn this off.
- 75 (Halley continues crying nearby)
- 76 Much better. (clears throat)
- 77 Seriously, let's plan a night, you know, give you a break.
- 78 We could go dancing.
- 79 That sounds really nice.
- 80 Amy: Oh.

- 81 All this week, the Early Music Society of Pasadena is doing a joint concert with the San Gabriel Renaissance Choir.
- 82 Okay, that's the one to beat.
- 83 Good luck.
- 84 People have been saying that for 600 years.
- 85 Hey, you're home early.
- 86 You'll never believe it.
- 87 Leonard gave me the most incredible gift, a trip to a historic railway, and I get to operate an actual locomotive.
- 88 Wow. He finally used it.
- 89 What'd you do?
- 90 No idea.
- 91 All I know is I'm gonna be working on the railroad all the livelong day.
- 92 Well, I'm really happy for you.
- 93 Oh, no. It's not just me. No.
- 94 The railway is four hours from the nearest airport, and guess who gets to drive me.
- 95 I give up.
- 96 You!
- 97 No. I really give up.
- 98 Oh, oh. And guess where we get to sleep?
- 99 Our choice of a turn-of-the-century railway bunkhouse or a working caboose.
- 100 Now, the problem with a caboose is there's no bathroom, but the problem with the bunkhouse is it's not a caboose.
- 101 On the first day, I get to drive a steam engine.
- 102 Oh, and the second day, a diesel engine.
- 103 Oh, and if I volunteer to do track maintenance and paperwork, they'll let me stay as long as I want.
- 104 So you might want to pack enough clothes for the rest of our lives.
- 105 Can I pee now?
- 106 Oh, get this!
- 107 I get to take a test based on a 125-page manual.
- 108 I get to learn things like hand signals. Ooh.
- 109 There's forward, uh, reverse, set the brakes.
- 110 Are you done yet?
- 111 You're missing some great stuff out here.
- 112 Oh, this is good.
- 113 There are dozens of railroad crossings you have to blow the whistle for.
- 114 But that is the figurative you, not the literal you.
- 115 I'll be blowing the whistle.
- 116 Amy, get up. It's time to go to work.
- 117 (groans)
- 118 This train thing worked out better than I thought.
- 119 He's home studying the engineer's manual.
- 120 (sighs)

- 121 It's so peaceful without him here.
- 122 Can I ask you how much that cost?
- $123 4{,}000 -worth every penny.$
- 124 (knockondoor)
- 125 Gentlemen.
- 126-Colonel Williams. Sir.
- 127-Justwanted to see how the guidance system's coming along.
- 128-Great. We found a cooling solution that allowed us togethesize of the prototype down to the target specs.
- 129 As a cooling solution, it's pretty cool.
- 130 (chuckles)
- 131 Don't dothat.
- 132 What's this?
- 133 Oh, nothing. Just some mathwed on 't need.
- 134 This is a different approach.
- 135-A reyoutrying togethe guidance system even smaller?
- 136 It's just at heory.
- 137 Uh, it's not even worked out.
- 138 Oh.(chuckles)
- 139 Iwantthis.
- 140-Butwe' veal ready met the agreed upon specs.
- 141-Goings maller would require weeks' worth of new computations.
- 142-Sogethekid with the two shirts to do it.
- 143-Sir, uh, i-ifImay, uh, we've put alot of thought and effort into this current prototype.
- 144-It's a really elegant solution, and most importantly, it works.
- 145 Yeah, Iwantthis.
- 146 Butthat's just at heavy.
- 147-It's not even a complete thought.
- 148-You both make excellent points.
- 149 And thankyou for presenting its oarticulately.
- 150 (chuckles) Makethis.
- 151 (doorcloses)
- 152-The kidwith the two shirts screwed us again.
- 153 Allright. You guys ready to get crazy?
- 154 Well, the braunder here a in 't beige.
- 155 Koothrappali: Okay.
- 156-Youla die shave funt onight.
- 157-Don't worry about Halley. Uncle Stuart's on the job.
- 158-Under the careful supervision of her god father.
- 159 Myapologies. Ididn't meantoof fendyou, Don Corleone.
- 160-Like Is aid, you la die shave fun.
- 161-We will. Got my dancing shoes, got my breast pump.
- 162 Let'sparty.
- 163-Youknow, if you pump at the bar, I promise we'll get freedrinks.
- 164-Callif the re's any problems.
- 165 No. She's busy. You call Howard.
- 166 Gotit.

- 167-Callme. Don't call Howard.
- 168-I would never call Howard.
- 169 Okay, instead of arguing all night, let's just split up the baby chores.
- 170-Yeah, great.Um, I'llput food inher tophalf, you deal with whatever comes out the bottom.
- 171-Ican't believe we have to ask Sheldon to come back and helpus.
- 172 Oh, boo hoo.
- 173-Is pent four grand on a gift that only got rid of him for an afternoon.
- 174 (electrical crackling)
- 175 Whatisthat?
- 176-Idon'tknow, but if he yells, "It's alive," we run.
- 177 Oh, hey.
- 178 Ifyouknocked, Icouldn'thearyou.
- 179-I'm welding this locomotive engine.
- 180 Andifyoudidn't knock, how about some manners?
- 181 How' dy ouevenget that up the stairs?
- 182-Is aid to my self, "Ithink I can, Ithink I can."
- 183 And then I couldn't, so...
- 184-Ipaidtwo men who promised not to come robustater.
- 185-Okay, look, Sheldon, the Colonel wants us to make the guidance system smaller, and we can't do it without you.
- 186-Interesting.
- 187 Well, so I was right.
- 188-Open a window. It's about to get smuginhere.
- 189-Well, I would love to help you, but since I discovered the satisfaction of working with my hands on a training in each of the property o
- 190 I'man engineer now.
- 191 And, hey, just to be clear, a training in eer.
- 192 Notthat goofykindyou are.
- 193 Sheldon, you can still go on the tripina few weeks.
- 194 Just helpusout.
- 195-Sorry. In eed to work on this engines owhen I get to the train yard I won't look fool is h. The property of the property
- 196 (laughs)
- 197 He's worried about looking fool ish.
- 198 That's a heap in'helping of iron yright there.
- 199-Comeon, youknowyou're not leaving physics.
- 200 Why are you do ingthis?
- 201-Leonard, in the world of theoretical physics, you never finish; somuch is unprovable.
- 202 Butwhen I was studying that railway guide, it was so tangible and so satisfying that something just clicked.
- 203-Thenit clacked.
- 204-Then it clicked, then it clacked, click-clack clickety-clack, and here we are.
- 205 (imitatestrainwhistle) : Whoo whoo!
- 206-Didy out ear anything back from the Caltech preschool?
- 207-Notyet, but we're gonna apply to a bunch of other sjust to keep our options open.
- 208 Okay, stop that! No more preschool talk.
- 209 Tonight is about having fun.
- 210-Nothing says funlike being scolded.
- 211 (ringtone playing)
- 212 It'sRaj.

- 213 Everythingokay?
- 214-Don't worry. Everything's fine.
- 215 Hangup! Wedon't need help.
- 216-Idon't needy our help deciding when we need help!
- 217 Raj, what's going on?
- 218-Yes, so, Iwas just warming upsome milk for Halley, and I-I thought its melled a little funky, so I checked the analysis of the control of the property of the control of the control
- 219-It says "Tuesday."
- 220 Howisthata" T"?!
- 221-I'msureit's fine, but if you're worried, there's extramilk in the freezer.
- 222 Okay, yes, I will erron the side of caution and defrost a freshbatch.
- 223-You're wasting perfectly good milk.
- 224 Fine, youdrink it. It's just milk.
- 225 Stuart, don't you drink mymilk!
- 226 Okay, give -
- 227-Canyouguy shandle this or not?
- 228 Oh, of course we can. Uh, you girl shave a good time.
- 229 (chuckles)
- 230 She said Iwas in charge.
- 231 Hmm.
- 232-Sowe just throw this away?
- 233 Whatelse are you gonnadow ithit?
- 234 Putitinyour coffee?
- 235 Well, Idon't take it black.
- 236-Okay. This is everything he had on the board.
- 237 I'm surewe can figure the restout.
- 238 Allright.(clearsthroat)
- 239 Hmm.
- 240-Feel free to jump in.
- 241 "Hmm" is all I got.
- 242 Oh, we can get this.
- 243 Isthereany chance it's upside down?
- 244-May be we can find another theoretical physicist to help us.
- 245 It's classified. If we tell anyone, we'd qet introuble.
- 246 Hey, Icameup with that and "hmm."
- 247 You haven't pitched anything.
- 248 Just keepthinking.
- 249 Igotit.
- 250-Your eally figure ditout?
- 251-No, but when we show this nonsense to Sheldon, it will make him crazy, and he'll have to fix it.
- 252 Oh, you'reagenius.
- 253 Yeah, Iknow.
- 254-That's not even a math symbol.
- 255 That's just Charlie Brown's hair.
- 256 Sorry, guys.
- 257-This clubwas sogreat.
- 258-How could they turn it into a book store?

- 259-Ithought we got rid of all those.
- 260-Renaissance Choir's looking pretty good right now, huh?
- 261 (ringtone playing)
- 262 Hello?
- 263 (Halley crying)
- 264-Nothing toworry about.
- 265-She's just be encrying for a little while, and I was wondering if you had any trick stogether to sleep.
- 266-Shewassleepingjust fine tilly outook as elfie withher!
- 267-Shewas blowing a spit bubble. It was a dorable!
- 268-Youguysgotthis? Doyouneed metocomehome?
- 269 (whispers) : Wait.
- 270 She's settling down. (Halley quiets)
- 271-Oh, okay, false alarm.
- 272-Little parenting tip: sleeping babies hat effash photography.
- 273 Is everything okay?
- 274 Yeah.
- 275-Imay have just left my infant daughter with Patrick and Sponge Bob.
- 276 Hey, there's another dance club nearby.
- 277-Imean, Idon't know how you feel about Latin music, but according to their horasof operaci'on, they're open.
- 278 May be we should just call it an ight.
- 279 Yousure? They're open till dos.
- 280 Yeah, we're all dressed up.
- 281 Whygohome?
- 282-I'm just not really in the mood anymore.
- 283 What's going on with you?
- 284-Idon'tknow. This is all starting to feel like as a dattempt to recapture our youth.
- 285 I'mnotsad.
- 286-I just wanted to get drunk and not we ars we at pants.
- 287 I'mnotsad.
- 288-Imean, hello.
- 289 Okay, maybe I'm the one who's sad.
- 290 What are you sadabout?
- 291 May be the fact that you went and had a baby.
- 292 You'r eupset I had a baby?
- 293 No, of course not. I just...
- 294-Ididn't think it would make mehave all these feelings.
- 295 What feelings?
- 296 Pressure!
- 297 Imean, she's looking at preschools, she has a minimum, she has a <math>401(k).
- 298-Before shetal ked about it, I just thought that was a race.
- 299 Youthink that stuff is fun?
- 300-Being a parentister rifying.
- 301-I'm constantly worried, I'm always tired, and in a few minutes, I'm gonnamilk myself in a bookstore parking a supervision of the supervision
- 302 Igetthat, okay?
- 303-It's just, Leonard and I have been married for two years, and we're no further along than when we were dating a superior of the superior
- 304 Amy : Comeon.

- 305-You've got somuch to feel good about.
- 306-You've got a great job now.
- 307 Yeah, Iguess I ammaking decent money.
- 308-Youmake more than Ido.
- 309-Youmay not have a house yet, but your apartment's great.
- 310-It's bigger than mine.
- 311-And Leonard love syous omuch, he married yout wice.
- 312-I'mnot even engaged once.
- 313-Idon't even know if Sheld on thinks about marriage.
- 314-I'mnot getting any younger.
- 315-Honestly, Ikindofthoughtbynow, we might have had some sort of ...
- 316-Careful. The sound of crying can make melactate.
- 317 I'msorry.Ican'thelpit.
- 318 (crying)
- 319 Oh, that 's gonnamake mecry.
- 320 (crying)
- 321 And the rethey go.
- 322 Ew.
- 323-Well, Sheldon, turns out we didn't need you after all.
- 324-That's right. We figure ditout all by our selves.
- 325 Wasn't event hat hard. No.
- 326 Well, goodforyouguys.
- 327-Look, Ihave agrees estimate geomyhand, and I'mokaywithit.
- 328-Aren't you gonna look at the board to see how right we are?
- 329-No, thanks. I'm busy trying to fix this fuel pump.
- 330 It's amanifold.
- 331 Oh.
- 332 Well, Iguessit's fixed.
- 333 Just look at the board.
- 334-That's wrong.
- 335 Oh, no!
- 336 What should we have done differently?
- 337-Well, first of all, you can't use relativistic and non-relativistic vectors in the same equation.
- 338 Toldya.(scoffs)
- 339 Canyou fixit forus?
- 340 (sighs)
- 341 Okay, but this is the last time.
- 342 Nicetry, blockheads.
- 343-Comeon, Sheldon. You can't turnyour back on physics.
- 344 Besides, you have no idea what you're doing with this stuff.
- 345-But if your eally want to learn the mechanical side, I can teach you anything you want to know.
- 346-Leonard: And instead of standing around watching, you can help us build your smaller guidance system.
- 347 And with all these newskills, you'd be able to fix any model train.
- 348 You'd be the king of the trainstore!
- 349 Excuseme. I have a girl friend.
- 350-I' malready king of the trainstore.

- 351 So, what doyous ay?
- 352-Oh, what choice do I have? You need me.
- 353 I'm like the crankshaft of this team.
- 354 That's a turbo.
- 355 Well, whateveritis, it looks heavy.
- 356-I'mgonnaneedyoutwotogetitdownstairs before Amycomeshome.
- 357 (trainchugging, steamhissing)
- 358 (trainwhistleblows)
- 359-I a pologize that it's sowarm in here.
- 360-It is warm in here.
- 361-I'veworkedupabito fasweat.
- 362 Me, too.
- 363 May Iborrowyour water?
- 364 ("RockYouLikeaHurricane" byScorpionsplaying)
- 365 Here Iam
- 366 Rockyoulikeahurricane
- 367 Here Iam
- 368 Rockyoulikehurricane...
- 369-Sheldon: The light's green.
- 370 Sorry.
- 371-GPS says we'll be at the rail way in three hours.
- 372-I can get us the reint wo.
- 373 (enginerevving)

## 2.16 Episode 16: The Allowance Evaporation

- 1 Go! (inhales deeply)
- 2 Come on, Raj!
- 3 Leonard: You can do this!
- 4 There's no way.
- 5 What is happening?
- 6 This is an Euler's Disk.
- 7 It's a physics toy that demonstrates angular momentum, potential energy, and kinetic energy.
- 8 Aw, look at you watching sports.
- 9 We're betting to see if Koothrappali can hold his breath longer than the disk can spin.
- 10 Its weight and smoothness, along with the slight concavity of the mirror, means it can spin for a long time.
- 11 But Raj is from India, which means he's no slouch at holding his breath.
- 12 Okay, I want in. Ten bucks says I'll lose interest before that thing stops spinning.
- 13 Hey, Sheldon, I found a great restaurant for date night.
- 14 Kind of busy right now.
- 15 Oh, an Euler's Disk! Fun!
- 16 Yeah, we're seeing if Raj can hold his breath longer than it.

- 17 Oh. Immature.
- 18 How ya doing?
- 19 Mm.
- 20 He's not gonna make it.
- 21 Yes, he is!
- 22 You know, deep-sea divers holding their breath for several minutes have shown elevated markers of a protein that can signal brain damage.
- 23 Yeah, see, what's happening here signals brain damage.
- 24 (muffled groaning)
- 25 My God, how long does this thing spin for?
- 26 Ha! You're interested! You're out ten bucks!
- 27 It's slowing down! Dig deep!
- 28 Like when we bet you couldn't fit into Howard's pants!
- 29 (groaning)
- 30 He's not gonna make it!
- 31 Yes, he is!
- 32 Come on, Raj! It's like your favorite movie! You're just Waiting to Exhale!
- 33 (exhales)
- 34 Yeah! I knew you could do it!
- 35 (panting): And j.. and just so you know, my favorite movie... is Princess Bride.
- 36 Our whole universe was in a hot, dense state
- 37 Then nearly 14 billion years ago expansion started... Wait!
- 38 The Earth began to cool
- 39 The autotrophs began to drool, Neanderthals developed tools
- 40 We built the Wall
- 41 We built the pyramids
- 42 Math, Science, History, unraveling the mystery
- 43 That all started with a big bang
- 44 Bang!
- 45 The Big Bang Theory 10x16
- 46 The Allowance Evaporation
- 47 Original Air Date on February 16, 2017
- 48 (line ringing)
- 49 (sighs)
- 50 Hello, Rajesh.
- 51 How are things by you?
- 52 Good, good.
- 53 Uh, listen, I just wanted to let you know when you get my credit card bill, it might be a little high this month.
- 54 Well, you're a grown man with a steady job.
- 55 Why wouldn't you spend all your father's money?
- 56 (chuckling): Oh, Daddy, you're so rich and funny.
- 57 Yeah. So what else is going on with your life?
- 58 Uh, well, I was dating a woman at the university, but we broke up.
- 59 I'm sorry to hear that.

- 60 I know you are. That's why you just bought me a new iPad.
- 61 And before you start, I am not interested in you arranging a marriage for me.
- 62 Oh, I gave up on that a long time ago.
- 63 You did?
- 64 It's too much work.
- 65 You're an adult who can't get by without an allowance from his parents.
- 66 Women don't want that.
- 67 Wh-What are you saying, that y-you're giving up on me?
- 68 What kind of father gives up on his son?
- 69 I have six children, five of whom are married and self-sufficient.
- 70 I don't think I'm the problem.
- 71 I can't believe what I'm hearing.
- 72 This is deeply hurtful.
- 73 You're also too sensitive.
- 74 Women don't want that either.
- 75 The food here's supposed to be great.
- 76 Don't fill up on chips.
- 77 Oh, I won't.
- 78 I have a trick.
- 79 I only eat equilateral triangles.
- 80 Isosceles, isosceles, oh, scalene...
- 81 You didn't see that.
- 82 Oh, look.
- 83 It's Bert, at the bar.
- 84 We should go say hi.
- 85 Why?
- 86 Because that's what you do when you see someone you know in a public place.
- 87 I have multiple restraining orders that say otherwise.
- 88 Sheldon, there's a difference between greeting a friend and following a celebrity into a bathroom.
- 89 If the judge couldn't explain it to me, I don't see how you will.
- 90 Hi, Bert.
- 91 Hello.
- 92 Oh, hey, guys.
- 93 What brings you here?
- 94 Oh, we're having date night.
- 95 Nice.
- 96 I'm meeting someone, too.
- 97 Oh, really. Anybody we know?
- 98 I doubt it. I met her on G-Harmony.
- 99 That's a Web site for geologists to find love.
- 100 That's a real thing?
- 101 Yeah. Their slogan is "We're all about dating and not the carbon-14  $\operatorname{kind}$  "

- 102 Well, have a lovely evening.
- 103 Thanks. You, too.
- 104 If you think that's more fun than talking to Zachary Quinto through a stall door, you're crazy.
- 105 You know, we could've come to you guys.
- 106 You didn't have to bring the baby here.
- 107 Oh, it's okay. It's good to get out of the house.
- 108 And the car ride puts her to sleep.
- 109 Aw, that used to work with Sheldon.
- 110 Yeah, until someone left him in the drugstore parking lot and he freaked out
- 111 Who forgot to crack the window?
- 112 Hello!
- 113 Leonard: Hey.
- 114 Penny: Oh, someone's been shopping at Gucci.
- 115 Yeah, I saw something for Halley and I couldn't resist.
- 116 That's so sweet of you.
- 117 Yeah, it's a crushed velvet baby cape.
- 118 Oh, no, now we have two.
- 119 That must've been expensive.
- 120 Yeah, it was.
- 121 But it's my father's money and I'm mad at him.
- 122 What's going on with your dad?
- 123 And if you really want to hurt him, I look great in Chanel.
- 124 (clears throat)
- 125 It turns out he doesn't care if I'm married or if I'm single.
- 126 He's basically given up on me.
- 127 Oh, I'm sure that's not true.
- 128 It is. He stopped trying to find Indian girls for me to marry.
- 129 All you did was complain when he did that.
- 130 Leonard, he's hurting.
- 131 Let him feel how he feels.
- 132 Thank you, Penny.
- 133 Yeah.
- 134 Shoes, I'm a seven-and-a-half; boots, I'm an eight.
- 135 ...MSN Search, AltaVista, and... Ask Jeeves.
- 136 You?
- 137 Sorry, I don't have a list of defunct search engines that I miss.
- 138 Hey. Looks like I got stood up, so I'm gonna head out.
- 139 Oh, no. Are you sure you don't want to give her a few more minutes?
- 140 Nah, G-Harmony recommends after two hours, it's time to cut bait.
- 141 I'm so sorry.
- 142 Bert, I insist that you join us.
- 143 You really wouldn't mind?
- 144 Not at all. Amy?
- 145 Fine with me.

- 146 Thanks. I'll go grab a chair.
- 147 Sheldon, that was so sweet of you.
- 148 Well, I could deduce by his facial expression and body language that he was sad.
- 149 So the part where he got stood up didn't clue you in?
- 150 You want me to look at him and listen to him?
- 151 My father thinks the reason I can't make a relationship work is because I'm spoiled.
- 152 I'm sorry, is he waiting for someone to disagree?
- 153 Just because he helps me out doesn't automatically mean that I'm spoiled.
- 154 All right, how much exactly does he pay for?
- 155 Okay, I'll tell you, but please don't judge me.
- 156 He pays for my car, my rent, and my credit cards.
- 157 I'm trying, but I'm judging.
- 158 Maybe your dad's right.
- 159 Yeah, women do like a man that can support himself.
- 160 But Bernadette makes more money than Howard.
- 161 She basically supports him.
- 162 Yeah, maybe your dad's right.
- 163 Good question. Let's see.
- 164 Infoseek, WebCrawler, oh, HotBot.
- 165 Okay, literally any other topic.
- 166 All right.
- 167 How did you guys meet?
- 168 Actually, we met online.
- 169 Our-our first date was at a coffee shop.
- 170 Although, unlike your date, she actually showed up.
- 171 Oh, he looks sad again.
- 172 Well, I really envy your relationship.
- 173 Other than you two only having s\*x once a year, you're the perfect couple.
- 174 You-you know about that?
- 175 Uh, yeah, everyone at the university does.
- 176 Were you aware of this?
- 177 No. No, I only told Leonard, Howard, Raj, Kripke, uh, Professor Wu, Professor Klein, and a lunch lady in the cafeteria.
- 178 How everyone else found out is a mystery to me.
- 179 Why aren't you talking to me?
- 180 Because I'm mad at you.
- 181 Oh.
- 182 Well, now I'm sorry I asked.
- 183 Sheldon, it's humiliating.
- 184 Thanks to you, my colleagues are gossiping about our s\*x life.
- 185 What is there to gossip about?
- 186 We barely have one.
- 187 That's why they're doing it!
- 188 Is it safe to assume you're not speaking to me again?

- 189 If you're not answering because you're not speaking to me, perhaps we could come up with a signal!
- 190 (door slams)
- 191 That works!
- 192 You don't need your dad's money.
- 193 You can get by on your salary.
- 194 Leonard: Yeah.
- 195 Well, we work at the same place as you, and we've always been fine.
- 196 Koothrappali: Oh, please.
- 197 Look in the mirror. You both look ten years older than I do.
- 198 Penny: All right.
- 199 Hang on. We can figure this out.
- 200 Let's just go over your expenses. How much is your rent?
- 201 I don't want to say.
- 202 Is it really that high?
- 203 I don't want to say because I don't know how much it is.
- 204 You don't how much your rent is?
- 205 My father pays for it! Do you know how much your rent is?!
- 206 Yeah.
- 207 Well, then double it, because my building's a lot nicer than this dump.
- 208 Do you know how much your car costs?
- 209 Not really.
- 210 Well, how much do you spend on food?
- 211 The housekeeper does the shopping.
- 212 Oh, my God, you really are spoiled.
- 213 I'm spoiled?!
- 214 Your baby has a cape that costs 300!
- 215 I'mgoing to bed.
- 216 Well, wait.
- 217-This is our first fight as a couple who live together.
- 218 So?
- 219 I'mnot sure of the protocol.
- 220-Television teaches us that the man's supposed to sleep on the couch, but of the two of us, you're clearly more sof a sized.
- 221-I'mnot sleeping on the couch' cause you don't know what's private and what's not.
- 222 This isn't fair.
- 223-You've discussed as pects of our physical relationship with Penny.
- 224 That's different!
- 225-She's a close friend, not the lady in the cafe teria who cuts the crust of fyour sandwiches!
- 226 That lady has a name.
- $227 Idon'tknowwhatitis, but one time, I accidentally called her \backslash Mom".$
- 228-Sounds like you're gonnaneed a cheaper place to live.
- 229 When you moved here, you didn't have a lot of money.
- 230 How' dyouget by?
- 231-Well, sometime syou can get free food and Wi-Fi from the neighbors.
- 232 Justknowyoumight have to marry one of 'em.

- 233 Hey, youguyslet Stuart live with you.
- 234 WhynotRaj, too?
- 235 What what are you doing? I...
- 236 I I Ischlepped the baby over, I brought imported beer.
- 237 Whydon'tyoulikeme?
- 238-Kooth rappali: Well, It hought we were best friends!
- 239 Weare!
- 240-That's why I'ms admy best friend's gonnabehome less.
- 241-I'msorry, Raj. We really just don't have the space.
- 242-What if helives in your garage?
- 243 What if you stophelping?!
- 244 Guys, I'mnotlivinginagarage!
- 245 Wait. Why are wetalking about our place when Sheldon's old room is sitting the reperfectly empty?
- 246 That's agreet idea.
- 247 Raj, if you need a place to stay, of course you are welcome here.
- 248-Thankyou, but if I'm gonnajust take advantage of my friends, I might as well keep on relying on my father.
- 249 Okay, only if you're sure.
- 250 (quietly) : Whew.
- 251 Yeah.
- 252 (knocking)
- 253 Sheldon : Amy?
- 254 (knocking)
- 255 Amy?
- 256 (knocking)Amy?
- 257 Yeah?
- 258 Notexactly the welcome wag on, but I'll take it.
- 259 What is this?
- 260-I'm mapping basic topics of conversation and with whom they can be discussed.
- $261 Icall the secircles \setminus Zones of Privacy$ ".
- 262-Don't Google that unless you want to seep ictures of people's genitals.
- 263-This circle contains only mean dyou.
- 264-It represents subjects we only share with each other--details of physical in timacy, bathroom habits.
- 265 Although, as I'm saying it, I may need to add Dr. Fink inhere.
- 266-A reyour eally worried about revealing secrets to Stephen Hawking?
- 267 No, Iwas just excited to list him as a friend.
- 268-Well, I do appreciate you working on this.
- 269 I'msorryyouwereembarrassed.
- 270-And now I understand that somethings are just between you and me, and in the event of redness and swelling, Lorentzian and the event of the contraction of the
- 271 What's that little dot in the middle?
- 272-That's reserved for thoughts Idon't share with any one.
- 273-Interesting. You really have secret syoud on 't tell me?
- 274 Of course.
- 275 Can Ihearone?
- 276 No, they'reprivate.
- 277 Why? Are they naughty?
- 278 Alittle.

- 279 Please?
- 280 Fine.
- 281 Two years ago...
- 282-... I got my driver's license.
- 283 What?!
- 284 Whydidn't you say anything?!
- 285-Ilike being chauf feur edar ound.
- 286-It makes me feel important.
- 287-Sowhen I got up at 4:00 a.m. to drive you across the desert to an antique trainmuseum, I didn't have to?
- 288 No, youdidn't.
- 289-But keep in mind, If elt extremely important.
- 290 (lineringing)
- 291 (beep)
- 292-What?!
- 293 Hello, Father.
- 294 We need to talk.
- 295 Allright.
- 296-I have come to an important decision.
- 297-I will not be accepting your money anymore.
- 298 I'maman, and I can take care of myself.
- 299-That's wonderful!
- 300 Yes, that is wonderful!
- 301-You will no longer be able to accuse me of being spoiled!
- 302-Iam soproud of you.
- 303-Dad, I'mtrying to telly out of f, and you'r eruining it with your delight and relief.
- 304 Sorry.
- 305 Oh, no, mygrownson is going to stop spending all mymoney.
- 306 Whe redidIfail as a father?!
- 307 Yeah, that's right.
- 308-Keepasking yourself that!
- 309 But Istilloveyouvery much, so don't cut me out of the will.
- 310 Oh, youbroughtyourownlunch.
- 311 Goodforyou.
- 312-Yeah, I'm making abunch of changes.
- 313-This morning, If ired mydog walker.
- 314 Oh. How's the dog gonna got othe bathroom?
- 315 Uh, Igaveheran Imodium.
- 316-That's tomorrow's problem.
- 317-Excuseme. May I have your attention, please?
- 318-I have recently been made aware that my personal relationship with Amy Farrah Fowler has been omewater cooling the properties of the
- 319 And Ijustwant to say, shame on all of you.
- 320-We'rescientists.
- 321-Our minds should be focused on the advancement of human knowledge, not the intimate details of other people of the property of the prope
- 322 He'sright.
- 323 And I'm sorry for the part I played in this.
- 324-Thankyou, Bert.

- 325-You're a good man. That wo man who stoody ou up and humiliated you last night really missed out.
- 326-That doesn't paint me in the best light.
- 327 Oh.Oh, I'msorry.
- 328-Correction: That wo man not only had vigorous coit us with Bert... she also tipped him adollar for a job well done in the property of th
- 329 That better?
- 330 Notreally.
- 331-Allright, well, to sumup--focus on science, keepy our nose out of other people's business, and, uh, whoa, for the science of the scienc
- 332 Whatbrought that on?
- 333 (sighs)
- 334-Well, last night Amywas angrywith me because I'd been fool is hly telling people about certain personal matter. Any was an angrywith me because I'd been fool is hly telling people about certain personal matter. Any was an angrywith me because I'd been fool is hly telling people about certain personal matter. Any was an angrywith me because I'd been fool is hly telling people about certain personal matter. Any was an angrywith me because I'd been fool is hly telling people about certain personal matter. Any was an angrywith me because I'd been fool is hly telling people about certain personal matter. Any was an angrywith me because I'd been fool is hly telling people about certain personal matter. Any was an any was a supplied by the people about certain personal matter. Any was a supplied by the people about certain personal matter. Any was a supplied by the people about certain personal matter. Any was a supplied by the people about certain personal matter. Any was a supplied by the people about certain personal matter. Any was a supplied by the people about certain personal matter. Any was a supplied by the people about certain personal matter and the people about certain personal matter and the people about certain personal matter. Any was a supplied by the people about certain personal matter and the people about a people ab
- 335 That's understandable.
- 336 Oh, Iknow that now.
- 337-At first, It hought shew as cranky because of her horrific menstrual cramps, but... it turns out, no, shew as general contents of the property of the pr

# 2.17 Episode 17: The Comic-Con Conundrum

- 1 Previously on The Big Bang Theory...
- 2 My father thinks the reason I can't make a relationship work is because I'm spoiled.
- 3 All right, how much, exactly, does he pay for?
- 4 Okay, I'll tell you, but please don't judge me.
- 5 He pays for my car, my rent, and my credit cards.
- 6 I'm trying, but I'm judging.
- 7 Maybe your dad's right.
- 8 Yeah, women do like a man that can support himself.
- 9 I have come to an important decision.
- 10 I will not be accepting your money anymore.
- 11 That's wonderful.
- 12 Yes, that is wonderful. You will no longer be able to accuse me of being spoiled.
- 13 I'm so proud of you.
- 14 Dad, I'm trying to tell you off, and you're ruining it with your delight and relief.
- 15 Uh-huh.
- 16 Interesting.
- 17 Okay.
- 18 How bad is it?
- 19 Let me put it this way— do you own a barrel and suspenders?
- 20 Are you serious?
- 21 I'm not wearing this visor to play women's golf.
- 22 Hi.
- 23 Leonard: Hey.
- 24 Oh, let me guess.
- 25 You guys are drafting your fantasy accounting firms.
- 26 We're helping Raj figure out his finances.
- 27 Well, he has a job. How bad can it be?

- 28 Well, his rent and car lease are exceedingly high.
- 29 You couple that with his penchant for dining out and shopping...
- 30 Wait, wait, not shopping for clothes, right?
- 31 Because look.
- 32 He also has a remarkable amount of credit card debt.
- 33 I thought your dad paid your cards.
- 34 I have a card for emergencies that I pay for myself.
- 35 What emergency happened at the L.A. Zoo?
- 36 That's a penguin I sponsor.
- 37 They're losing their homes to global warming, and my car gets, like, seven miles a gallon, so I felt bad.
- 38 What is Pink Cheeks?
- 39 It's intimate waxing.
- 40 Quit looking at that!
- 41 Maybe you should find someone to help you get your finances under control.
- 42 Like a business manager?
- 43 No, absolutely not.
- 44 You can't afford to hire someone who'll forbid you from spending your money on foolish expenses.
- 45 That is a foolish expense, and I forbid it.
- 46 What if there's someone who just likes controlling other people and stealing joy from their lives?
- 47 He sounds like a sociopath.
- 48 We don't know, his mother never had him tested.
- 49 You're talking about me. Very funny.
- 50 Although I would enjoy drawing up a budget and forcing Raj to adhere to it without an ounce of compassion.
- 51 Wait, wait, who's gonna break it to the penguin?
- 52 Okay, Sheldon.
- 53 Yeah, I'm putting you in charge of my finances.
- 54 I will not spend another penny that you don't authorize.
- 55 Verv well.
- 56 Hey, Comic-Con tickets go on sale this Friday.
- 57 You can't buy one.
- 58 Oh, better luck next time, Pink Cheeks.
- 59 Our whole universe was in a hot, dense state
- 60 Then nearly 14 billion years ago expansion started... Wait!
- 61 The Earth began to cool
- 62 The autotrophs began to drool, Neanderthals developed tools
- 63 We built the Wall
- 64 We built the pyramids
- 65 Math, Science, History, unraveling the mystery
- 66 That all started with a big bang
- 67 Bang!
- 68 The Big Bang Theory 10x17
- 69 The Comic-Con Conundrum

- 70 You're actually going to Comic-Con?
- 71 Well, Leonard wants me to do more stuff like that with him, so I thought maybe this year I'd tag along.
- 72 Well, that's sweet.
- 73 I bet you'll have fun.
- 74 So, do you want to come?
- 75 No. thanks.
- 76 I already live in a place all the nerds come to.
- 77 Please? I went to your boring thing last month.
- 78 My aunt's funeral?
- 79 Come on, even you checked your e-mail during the eulogy.
- 80 Well, I'm not going, but I do think it's nice you want to.
- 81 It's not that I want to go, I just think it'll make Leonard happy.
- 82 And if I have to watch him squeeze into an Ewok costume, so be it.
- 83 Look at you, going to Comic-Con, talking about Ewoks.
- 84 I really have become the cool one around here.
- 85 You actually think Penny will have fun at Comic-Con?
- 86 No. Which will make me miserable, which is usually Sheldon's job.
- 87 She's gonna hate waiting in line for the panels.
- 88 She's gonna hate all the crowds at the panels.
- 89 She's gonna hate the panels.
- 90 She's gonna hate how often we say the word "panels."
- 91 Why don't you just tell her not to come?
- 92 Well, she's so excited, I can't do that to her.
- 93 What if you make it sound so bad she won't want to go?
- 94 That I would do to her.
- 95 I can't believe Penny's gonna get to go, and I'm not.
- 96 You can always watch the panels online.
- 97 Oh, boy, we do say that a lot.
- 98 Stuart: Panels.
- 99 Just wanted to be included.
- 100 Come on, Sheldon, it's Comic-Con.
- 101 Just let me have the money for this, and I won't ask for anything else.
- 102 You put me in charge of your finances.
- 103 If you wanted someone weak and spineless you could walk all over, you should have asked Leonard.
- 104 See? Miserable.
- 105 Okay, you're right, I got myself into this, but I've never missed a Comic-Con with you guys.
- 106 Your father may have spoiled you, but I won't.
- 107 If you want a ticket to Comic-Con, I suggest you figure out a way to earn the money yourself.
- 108 Yeah, you're a grown man who's highly educated.
- 109 You could charge people money to punch you.
- 110 Go ahead, make jokes.
- 111 I don't know why you think you're going to Comic-Con- you just had a

#### baby.

- 112 So?
- 113 Well, so?
- 114 So you think Bernadette's just gonna let you jet down to San Diego for five days and leave her alone?
- 115 Hang-hang on.
- 116 So I have to bring Penny, you can't afford it, Howard's gonna get in trouble, and this guy gets to have a great time.
- 117 I'm gonna go as Dumbledore.
- 118 Mm... how's my favorite girl?
- 119 Okay.
- 120 What you doing?
- 121 Making lasagna.
- 122 Oh, she's sexy, she can cook.
- 123 I'm such a lucky guy.
- 124 (chuckles)
- 125 You want something stupid, or you did something stupid?
- 126 No. I just walked in here, saw how beautiful you are and had to tell you.
- 127 Oh, dear God, you're cheating on me with Raj.
- 128 (giggles): Never gets old.
- 129 Okay, there is something I want, but it's not a big deal.
- 130 What is it?
- 131 Well, Comic-Con tickets go on sale this Friday, and I was hoping I could go with the guys.
- 132 But before you say anything, I'll make up for being gone by doing everything around here—I mean everything.
- 133 I'm even gonna answer for you.
- 134 (high-pitched voice): Yes, Howard, you can go.
- 135 It's so hard to say no to you.
- 136 Thank you.
- 137 So I'll say maybe.
- 138 What? Why?
- 139 You said tickets don't go on sale till Friday, right?
- 140 Yeah.
- 141 You said you were gonna do all this stuff for me, right?
- 142 Yeah.
- 143 See where I'm going with this?
- 144 Yeah.
- 145 If you don't know how to make lasagna, Google does.
- 146 Okay, so this is the main Comic-Con floor.
- 147 It's where all the vendors and exhibits are.
- 148 Wow, that is a lot of people jammed in there.
- 149 I know. Sometimes Howard wears a striped shirt so we can play "Where's Wolowitz?"
- 150 Okay, now, Th-this is us camping out in line for the Avengers panel.
- 151 Oh, you really sleep on the sidewalk, huh?

- 152 Yeah.
- 153 It can get chilly, but Raj figured out that if you pee in a bottle and put it in your sleeping bag, it helps keep you warm.
- 154 Here's the hotel room we all share.
- 155 Well, you and I would get our own room, right?
- 156 Every hotel is booked.
- 157 But, yeah, see this space here between Sheldon's feet and my head?
- 158 That's where you go.
- 159 Well, it's no different than when Sheldon used to climb in bed with us during a thunderstorm.
- 160 Don't worry, we won't be doing much sleeping anyway.
- 161 It's like an all-night party.
- 162 There's trivia contests and Dungeons Dragons.
- 163 As we like to say, it's "off the chain mail."
- 164 I even said "off the chain mail," and she still wants to go.
- 165 That's probably my fault.
- 166 She may have heard about my cool Dumbledore costume.
- 167 Okay, I can give you 20 bucks for the whole box.
- 168 But you charged me hundreds for this stuff.
- 169 I know. And I did it with a straight face.
- 170 But I need to earn enough money so I can go to Comic-Con.
- 171 Well... all right.
- 172 I'll give you 25 bucks.
- 173 That's my best offer.
- 174 I have no choice.
- 175 You know, if you want to make extra money, I-I could throw some work your way.
- 176 Really?
- 177 I'll do anything.
- 178 Great, you're hired.
- 179 First thing you can do is put price tags on these.
- 180 Start the little ones at 50.
- 181 Youknow, it's no big deal.
- 182-I can put up with anything for three days.
- 183 Comic Con's five days.
- 184 Areyoukiddingme?
- 185 Whydon'tyoujust tellhimyoudon't want togo?
- 186-Ican't, it'll breakhisheart.
- 187-Youknow, he's always making an effort to do things with mehedoesn't enjoy, like going outside.
- 188-He is an indo or cat.
- 189 Youknow, may be it won't be that bad.
- 190-Leonard says it's really mainst reamnow.
- 191-Comic books aren't just for sadnerds anymore.
- 192-Imean, it is still a keypart of their demographic.
- 193 (doorbellrings)
- 194-Berna dette: Howie, can you get that?

- 195 Wolowitz: Kindofbusy.
- 196-Bernadette: Busylike I'll be with the baby if you go to San Diego?
- 197 (footfallsrunning)
- 198 Hey.
- 199 What's with the gloves?
- 200-They complete myensemble.
- 201 What doyou want?
- 202-I'm looking to make extramoney and was wondering if you had any chores I could do.
- 203 Hangon.
- 204-Bernie, can Iout source mychoresto an Indianguy?
- 205 Bernadette: No.
- 206-Itried.
- 207-Hey, I was thinking, if you want to do a couple s costume, we could pain tourselves green and be Hulk and She-Hulk.
- 208-Or we could pain tour selves blue and go as Night crawler and Mystique.
- 209-Is the reany scenario where we're not infull body paint?
- 210-Yeah, if you want us to look like losers.
- 211-Hey, um, are you sure the guysare okay with mecoming?
- 212 Yeah, of course, why?
- 213-This is just something you usually do together, and if I'm screwing it up, I don't have togo.
- 214 Oh, why? Doyounot want togo?
- 215 Why? Doyounot want metogo?
- 216 (weakly) : No, Iwantyoutogo.
- 217 Okay, good,' cause that's what I want, too.
- 218 Nowwe' regoing as Hulk and She-Hulk.
- 219 Idon't want to take myshir to f f at Comic Con.
- 220-IfImay speak for Comic-Con, we don't want that either.
- 221 Isthatnice?
- 222-No, but it's honest, and its ounds like you could use a little more honesty in your relationship.
- 223-Uh, i-it's more complicated than that.
- 224 I'malwayshonestwith Amy.
- 225-The other day she said she was self-conscious about the beauty mark on her shoulder, and Isaid, "Youknow," you have the said she was self-conscious about the beauty mark on her shoulder, and Isaid, "Youknow," you have the said she was self-conscious about the beauty mark on her shoulder, and Isaid, "Youknow," you have the said she was self-conscious about the beauty mark on her shoulder, and Isaid, "Youknow," you have the said she was self-conscious about the beauty mark on her shoulder, and Isaid, "Youknow," you have the said she was self-conscious about the beauty mark on her shoulder, and Isaid, "Youknow," you have the said she was self-conscious about the beauty mark on her shoulder, and Isaid, "Youknow," you have the said she was self-conscious about the beauty mark on her shoulder, and Isaid, "Youknow," you have the said she was self-conscious about the beauty mark on her shoulder, and Isaid, "Youknow," you have the said she was self-conscious about the beauty mark on her shoulder, and Isaid, "Youknow," you have the said she was self-conscious about the beauty mark on her shoulder, and Isaid she was self-conscious about the beauty mark on her shoulder, and Isaid she was self-conscious about the said should be a said
- 226 When the re's hair growing out of it, that's a mole."
- 227 Doyouthinkshe's ashonest with you?
- 228-I should hope so.
- 229-When she called mean insensitive jerk, I'd like to think she meant it.
- 230-There's got to be other ways you can make a quick buck.
- 231 Yeah, you'd think.
- 232 Ooh, may be I could sell my blood and sperm.
- 233-I really should we arabell around myneck soyouguy scan hear mecoming.
- 234-Here, let me helpyou.
- 235 Thankyou.
- 236-Oh, Double Stuf Oreos, Iremember when I could afford you.
- 237 (Halley crying)
- 238-The reshegoes.
- 239-Stay, I'llgether.

- 240-Appreciate it.
- 241 That's fine.
- 242-She and I can cry together.
- 243 He's such as weetie.
- 244-Iknow, Iwish the rewassome way we could help him.
- 245-If he could find a girl with a good job, all his problems would be over.
- 246-Yeah, that's working outgreat forme.
- 247 Pennysaysthey'r eready togo.
- 248 Verywell.
- 249-Prepare for a long night of deceit.
- 250 Sheldon, women can we armakeup, it's not lying.
- 251-Iwastalking about Leonard.
- 252 Andif makeup is so truthful, why is it called "concealer"?
- 253 Wait, wait, wait, what's Leonardly in qubout?
- 254-He doesn't really want Pennytogo to Comic-Con.
- 255 He's just doing it to make her happy.
- 256 Really?
- 257 Because she doesn't actually want to go.
- 258 She's just doing it to make him happy.
- 259-Sothey're both trying to make each other happy, and the endresult is they make each other sad?
- 260-That's hilarious.
- 261-Ican't wait to tell them.
- 262 No, you're not gonnated the manything.
- 263-You're gonnast a yout of it.
- 264 Why?
- 265 Because it's between them.
- 266-Well, if you haven't noticed, I've been between them for the last tenyears.
- 267 Hey.
- 268-Hello.
- 269 Hi.
- 270 Hey, babe, youwant to drive?
- 271 Sure, oryoucan.
- 272 No, it's fine, Iknowyoudon't like the way I drive.
- 273-Idon'th a vea problem with your driving.
- 274 Areyoulistening to this?
- 275-They deceive each other about everything.
- 276 Shh.
- 277-Just soyouk now, that guy in the parking lot hitme.
- 278 Hewasn'tinacar, butokay.
- 279 Justsayyouwant to drive.
- 280 Ihonestlydon't.
- 281 Amy, dous a favor, please drive.
- 282 Sure, happyto.
- 283 Ifyouwant to drive, just drive.
- 284-Idon't see why this has to be so complicated.
- 285-It's not complicated.

- 286 Amy's driving, that's it!
- 287-That's not it because you're clearly upset.
- 288 Penny: You're the one whose emsupset.
- 289 Why would I be upset?
- 290 Because you don't wanther to go to Comic Con!
- 291 This is an interesting way to stay out of it.
- 292 Wait, youdon't want metogo?
- 293 Well, Ijustdon't thinkyou'r egonnahave a good time.
- 294-Sheldon: Yeah, well, getthis: neither does Penny, that's whyshedoesn't want to go.
- 295-Youset'e mup, Iknock'e mdown, good job.
- 296 Why would you say you wanted to go if you didn't?
- 297 Ijust thought it would make you happy.
- 298-O-O-O-Okay, holdon, soify oud on't want to go and I don't need to bring you, is everything good?
- 299 Holdon, I'm trying to decide if I'm madatyou.
- 300 No, I'mhappyIdon'thavetogo.
- 301-All right, problem solved.
- 302 Okay.
- 303 Yeah.
- 304-Notentirely, the fight overwho's going to drive is still...
- 305 Oh, myGod, stoptalking!
- 306-The place looks great.
- 307 Didyouguys getamaid?
- 308 Kindof.
- 309 Wolowitz: Dinner's almost ready.
- 310-Ifyoulike meat loaf, I'm sureyou'll like its cousin, bowlof meat.
- 311 Hey, if you'r estill looking to make money, I will pay you to burn that jacket.
- 312 Thankyou, but it doesn't look like I'm going to Comic Conthisyear.
- 313-Well, with a smuch debta syou have, probably not next year either.
- 314 Howie?
- 315 Sure.
- 316 This is for you.
- 317 What's this?
- 318 It's backpay for all the baby sitting and taking care of Halleyyou've done.
- 319-Wolowitz: There's more than enough in the retocover Comic-Con.
- 320-Um, Ialsotake care of Halley.
- 321 Andyoulive here for free.
- 322 Ido, ma'am, thankyou, ma'am.
- 323 This is sogenerous of you, I-I, um, Idon't know what to say.
- 324 Nowyou can come with us.
- 325 Yeah, there's room in the bed by Sheldon's feet.
- 326 Asmuchas I appreciate this, I can't accept it.
- 327 Okay?
- 328 Halley's mygoddaughter, Idon't take care of her form oney.
- 329 Iwould.
- 330 Keepit.
- 331-Considerita gift.

- 332 (stammers)
- 333 Holdon.
- 334 Isitbackpayorisitagift?
- 335 What's the difference?
- 336-When the IRS questions us in separate rooms, we need to have our stories straight.
- 337-Koothrappali: It doesn't matter.
- 338 I'mnotkeepingthis.
- 339 I'mtryingtopaymyownwayandberesponsible.
- 340-Taking handouts won't help that.
- 341-Soyou'r enot going to Comic-Con?
- 342 (sighs)
- 343 I've been plenty of times.
- 344 IfImissone, it's fine.
- 345 I'mabigboy.
- 346-I'mabigboy, and if Imissed one, I'd throwabig-boy tantrum.
- 347 Youknowwhat?
- 348 I'vegone 12 times.
- 349-May be I'll sit out this year, too.
- 350 Really?
- 351 Yeah.
- 352-May be you and I can do something funthat weekend.
- 353 Ooh, how about white waterrafting?
- 354-Oh... how about we compromise and go on the Small World ride at Disneyland?
- 355-You know what, I'm not gonn agoeither.
- 356 I'mafathernow.
- 357 I'drather spendtime with my family.
- 358-Youjust don't want to go alone with Sheldon.
- 359 I'mgonnagocheckondinner.
- 360-Soundslike everyone's staying home.
- 361 What doyous ay?
- 362 Nutstothat, I'mgoingtoComic Con!
- 363 Byyourself?
- 364 Notnecessarily.
- 365-I have four months to find some new friends.
- 366 I'llgowithyou.
- 367 That's very kind of you, Stuart.
- 368 Checkbackin with mein July.
- 369-There's my pretty girl friend.
- 370 I'mnotgoing with youto Comic Con.
- 371-What? Can'taman just be happy to see his woman and pather on her second most erogenous ball-and-socket joint?
- 372-Hecan, but it's still not changing mymind.
- 373-Well, may be what's inmy pants will change your mind.
- 374 It's a list of this year's panelists.
- 375 It'slong, isn'tit?

## 2.18 Episode 18: The Escape Hatch Identification

- 1 Aw, man, did you see this post from Raj?
- 2 What?
- 3 Is it another video of him and his dog Lady-and-the-Tramping some spaghetti?
- 4 No.
- 5 He can't afford his apartment, and he's asking if anyone knows of a cheap place to live.
- 6 I want to say "India," but it seems mean.
- 7 (chuckling)
- 8 What's so funny?
- 9 Raj is looking for a cheap place to live, and I wrote "India."
- 10 Don't post that; be supportive.
- 11 Maybe you should be supportive of my hilarious jokes.
- 12 Fine, what should we do?
- 13 We're smart.
- 14 I'm sure we can think of something.
- 15 You want to let him live here?
- 16 Oh, we're smarter than that.
- 17 I know our apartment's small, but I think we can make room.
- 18 No, Sheldon.
- 19 We are not getting a life-size Spider-Man statue.
- 20 We do have Sheldon's old room.
- 21 If he really needs a place to stay, I guess we should offer it to him.
- 22 You're a good friend.
- 23 Am I still a good friend if I wait and hope that Howard offers him a place to live first?
- 24 You're an even better husband.
- 25 I know if the roles were reversed, he would do it for me.
- 26 Where would he stay?
- 27 We already have Stuart.
- 28 Well, we can make some space in the garage.
- 29 Maybe put a cot out there, get him a space heater, maybe a hot plate.
- 30 That sounds awful.
- 31 Let's hope he thinks so, too.
- 32 For the last time, no Hulk, no Batman, no life-size statues.
- 33 Wow.
- 34 I'm starting to think you didn't mean it when you said you wanted to spruce up the place.
- 35 Our whole universe was in a hot, dense state Then nearly 14 billion years ago expansion started Wait!
- 36 The Earth began to cool The autotrophs began to drool, Neanderthals developed tools We built the Wall We built the pyramids Math, Science, History, unraveling the mystery That all started with a big bang Bang!
- 37 The Big Bang Theory 10x18 The Escape Hatch Identification Original (ringtone playing) Hello.

- 38 Hey, uh, so we've been talking, and if you need a place to stay, we'd be happy to fix up the garage for you.
- 39 That would be amazing! I was literally just looking at my moving boxes, trying to pick one to live in.
- 40 I know it's not ideal, but you'd have plenty of space for your furniture, and there's this cool button that makes an entire wall go up and down.
- 41 I cannot thank you enough.
- 42 It is our pleasure.
- 43 (line beeps)
- 44 Hey, can you hold on one sec?
- 45 Hello?
- 46 Hey, buddy, you still looking for a place to live?
- 47 Uh yeah.
- 48 Why do you ask?
- 49 You know, we have the extra bedroom, and if you need it, it's yours.
- 50 Oh, my God, that's so generous!
- 51 It's the least we can do.
- 52 I-I really appreciate it.
- 53 Uh, can you hold on one second?
- 54 Hey, so, Howard, what's the bathroom situation gonna be?
- 55 Well, there's a sink out there—that takes care of half your problems.
- 56 But I can use the downstairs bathroom, right?
- 57 Yeah.
- 58 We barely use it, so it'll be like it's yours.
- 59 Cool, cool, yeah.
- 60 Yeah, hold on one second.
- 61 Wh? Hey, what's it like sharing a bathroom with Penny?
- 62 Is there hair everywhere?
- 63 Does she use your loofah?
- 64 I don't have a loofah.
- 65 Okay, well, if I move in, you can't use mine.
- 66 Hold on a second.
- 67 Hey, Howard, uh, how's the Wi-Fi in the garage?
- 68 I don't know.
- 69 Why are you asking all these questions?
- 70 Well, to be honest, Leonard's on the other line, and he offered me their spare bedroom.
- 71 Great! Go live there.
- 72 But you made the garage sound so fun.
- 73 I just didn't want you to feel bad about it.
- 74 Unless Leonard's apartment also has a raccoon that chews its way in on cold nights, go there!
- 75 One second.
- 76 (clears throat)
- 77 Okay, I think we're close.
- 78 How do you feel about a mini-fridge in my room?

- 79 Hey, pal, you want to live here or not?
- 80 Oh, uh, hi, Penny.
- 81 Yes, please.
- 82 Hey.
- 83 Hi.
- 84 Uh, Penny, this circular is addressed to "occupant," but with our apartment switch, it's unclear whether it's yours or mine.
- 85 PENNY: What's it for?
- 86 SHELDON: Roofing.
- 87 PENNY: Yeah, it's yours.
- 88 SHELDON: Okay, thanks.
- 89 "Just throw it out."
- 90 Speaking of occupants, I'm given to understand Raj will be moving into my old room.
- 91 Yeah, for a little while.
- 92 What about his dog?
- 93 She'll be in her crate; it's not a big deal.
- 94 I suppose that's acceptable.
- 95 Well, Sheldon's getting a little better with dogs.
- 96 He even took a picture with Pluto at Disneyland.
- 97 If real dogs gave me buttons, I'd like them, too.
- 98 Well, I think it's very nice that you're helping out our friend.
- 99 I think it's nice that you're taking whatever medication Amy's clearly giving you.
- 100 And what is that supposed to mean?
- 101 PENNY: Well, it's like that science thing.
- 102 For every action, you have a gigantic and annoying reaction.
- 103 LEONARD: Just when I thought you couldn't get any hotter.
- 104 PENNY: Mm-hmm.
- 105 SHELDON: If you're implying that I'd have some problem with him moving into my room, you're wrong.
- 106 Raj is in a difficult financial situation, and I'm glad that he's making changes to improve it.
- 107 Do not adjust the dosage.
- 108 You nailed it.
- 109 Don't listen to them.
- 110 (door closes)
- 111 What's weird is that Penny almost got a science fact right.
- 112 I mean, it's unfair; people just assume I'm going to be upset by Raj moving into my old room.
- 113 But you are, aren't you? Oh, I'm outraged.
- 114 Talk to me.
- 115 Tell me what's going on.
- 116 Well, that's been my room since before I met Leonard, and now someone else is going to be living in it.
- 117 And that someone else is not me.

- 118 And you know how I feel about people who aren't me.
- 119 There are a lot of memories wrapped up in that room.
- 120 For me, too.
- 121 The first time you told me you loved me was in that room.
- 122 Wrong.
- 123 We were standing outside my room in the hallway.
- 124 And there is the love of which I speak.
- 125 I realize it's irrational, but with Raj moving in there, I'm feeling a bit replaced.
- 126 Well, this isn't an easy time for him.
- 127 He's losing his apartment, he's in debt, he's probably humiliated.
- 128 Yes, probably.
- 129 But until we know for sure, how can I feel better?
- 130 Can I get anyone anything at all? Raj, you don't have to serve us.
- 131 It's the least I can do for helping me carry my stuff up.
- 132 It was really no problem.
- 133 Not for you, Box of Towels.
- 134 Anyway, thanks again.
- 135 Hey, look at that.
- 136 You've got a Raj, we've got a Stuart.
- 137 Maybe we should take them both to the park and let them run around together.
- 138 I don't know.
- 139 Yours looks like he has worms.
- 140 You ready to go?
- 141 All set.
- 142 What's that?
- 143 A housewarming gift for Raj.
- 144 Well, a bunch of fake snakes better not spring out of it, 'cause that was a lousy anniversary present.
- 145 It's nothing like that.
- 146 I just, I thought about Raj's situation, and I had a change of heart.
- 147 You know, and regarding your gift, you said "surprise me," and, boy, did I.
- 148 - Hello.
- 149 - Hey.
- 150 - Hi.
- 151 Perfect timing.
- 152 Food's ready.
- 153 Uh, wait— before we eat, I have a little "welcome to the building" gift for Raj.
- 154 Wait, is anything gonna jump out No.
- 155 I already asked.
- 156 Thank you, Sheldon.
- 157 It's a blank notebook.
- 158 Well, I had some of my best ideas in that room, and I'm sure you will,

too.

- 159 He also never had s\*x in that room.
- 160 That's something else to look forward to.
- 161 This means a lot.
- 162 Well, I know this is a difficult time for you.
- 163 Y-You're losing your apartment, you're in debt, and you just—you must be humiliated.
- 164 Sheldon Oh, good grief.
- 165 She is such a stickler for citing sources.
- 166 Those were Amy's words.
- 167 Sheldon I know, I know! "Good grief" was originally said by Charlie Brown, geez.
- 168 You're right, I am humiliated.
- 169 Thanks for pointing it out.
- 170 You're such a jerk.
- 171 Can you believe this guy?
- 172 ALL: Yes.
- 173 I-I thought that was gonna break the other way.
- 174 AMY: Come on, Sheldon.
- 175 Maybe we should just eat at our place.
- 176 Fine.
- 177 You took my room.
- 178 You turned my friends against me.
- 179 I hope you're happy.
- 180 What do I have to be happy about?
- 181 My life's a wreck.
- 182 How come he can say it and I can't?
- 183 Just keep walking.
- 184 (Skype ringing)
- 185 BEVERLY: Hello, Sheldon.
- 186 What a pleasant surprise.
- 187 How are you?
- 188 Honestly, I've been better.
- 189 Do you have time? Leonard says you're very busy these days.
- 190 Oh, I just say that because he prattles.
- 191 What's going on? Well, our friend Raj moved into my old room, and it's brought up a lot of negative feelings for me.
- 192 Mm.
- 193 Well, what do you think the loss of your room represents?
- 194 Beverly, you know I hold you in high esteem.
- 195 Can we skip the part where you pretend not to know the answer, and get to the part where you tell me the answer? Very well, but, uh, if you don't mind, I'd still like to pause for effect.
- 196 (clears throat)
- 197 Now You've recently moved in with Dr.
- 198 Fowler, yes?

- 199 I have.
- 200 Clearly, your old room represents an escape hatch, and without it, you're forced to confront the terrifying reality of being trapped in a relationship with Amy forever.
- 201 I hadn't thought about that.
- 202 And don't start thinking about it now!
- 203 Hello, Amy.
- 204 Your defensiveness may indicate similar insecurities about your relationship with Sheldon.
- 205 That's not true!
- 206 She said defensively.
- 207 This isn't about me and Sheldon.
- 208 This is about Rajesh moving in with Leonard and Penny.
- 209 Interesting.
- 210 They've found a need to take yet another roommate.
- 211 Seems they're avoiding some harsh realities themselves.
- 212 I had no idea all our relationships were such a disaster.
- 213 Boy, you're good.
- 214 That is the word on the street, dear.
- 215 Maybe moving in was a bad idea.
- 216 I haven't been here one day, I'm already causing problems.
- 217 You didn't do anything.
- 218 It's Sheldon.
- 219 "You didn't do anything. It's Sheldon."
- 220 That'd make a nice needlepoint pillow.
- 221 So, relax.
- 222 We're happy to have you.
- 223 Thank you, but how do I know you're not saying that just to be nice?
- 224 Do you actually pay for that haircut?
- 225 That'll do it.
- 226 Hey, Raj, I owe you an apology.
- 227 Look, could you please put your dog on a leash?
- 228 Sheldon, she's fine.
- 229 Well, then at least hold her still so I can pretend she's stuffed.
- 230 Raj, I let my emotions get the best of me, and I unfairly took it out on you.
- 231 Thank you.
- 232 I appreciate that.
- 233 No, I can't take all the credit.
- 234 I spoke with Leonard's mother, and she made me feel better.
- 235 I don't know who you talked to, but that wasn't my mother.
- 236 Beverly pointed out that I'm experiencing insecurities in my relationship
- with Amy, in the same way that Leonard and Penny are in their relationship.
- 237 What are you talking about?
- 238 We're fine.
- 239 Yes, you're fine as long as you have a buffer living with you to distract

from your marital problems.

- 240 It used to be me.
- 241 Now it's Raj and his attack Tribble.
- 242 Anyway, I'm sorry for everything.
- 243 Oh, and FYI– if you cry while they're fighting, they'll take you to McDonald's.
- 244 (Skype ringing) Hello, Leonard.
- 245 Why are you saying we have marital problems? We don't have marital problems!
- 246 I see.
- 247 You must be yelling at me out of wedded bliss.
- 248 Look, just because we took our friend in does not mean that Penny and I are afraid to be alone.
- 249 Yeah, this is a special circumstance.
- 250 Sheldon mentioned you tried to get your brother to live with you, as well.
- 251 Yeah, well, a circumstance can happen twice and still be special.
- 252 Do you agree with that? Well, now that you point it out Are you kidding me? We do seem to keep finding roommates.
- 253 Now you're taking her side? Dear, I would never come between you and Leonard.
- 254 That's for your parade of roommates to do.
- 255 KOOTHRAPPALI (whispering): Howard? Howard!
- 256 (Howard and Bernadette scream) It's me! It's just me! What are you doing here?!
- 257 Well, I texted you, but you didn't respond.
- 258 Leonard and Penny were arguing Not on my watch!
- 259 It's fine.
- 260 It's just Raj.
- 261 You can hit him with the bat, but it's fine.
- 262 And if my heart stops, just let me go.
- 263 I'm sorry, guys.
- 264 Sheldon was upset, Leonard and Penny were fighting.
- 265 I just wanted to go someplace where I wasn't causing problems.
- 266 (sighs) I'll say it again.
- 267 India.
- 268 Can I just stay in the garage? Don't do that.
- 269 We'll make up the couch for you and figure out something in the morning.
- 270 Thank you.
- 271 Come on, I'll get vou some sheets.
- 272 Then we'll see if I can beat my high score on the blood pressure machine.
- 273 Never should've had all these kids so close together.
- 274 You okay?
- 275 I can't sleep.
- 276 What's wrong? Beverly believes I unconsciously consider my old room an escape hatch.
- 277 Is that bothering you?

- 278 Yes.
- 279 I don't care for unconscious thoughts.
- 280 My brain and I are best friends.
- 281 It should tell me everything.
- 282 I mean, how it relates to our relationship, not the bromance between you and your brain.
- 283 What if she's correct? Doesn't that say something troubling about us?
- 284 I don't know.
- 285 I just think you're the kind of person who likes a contingency plan.
- 286 That is true.
- 287 Did you know I figured out in which order I would eat all my friends in the event of an apocalypse?
- 288 You need to stop hanging out with your brain so much.
- 289 It's not a good influence.
- 290 If you're looking for spare change, I already cleaned it out.
- 291 Well (clears throat) Didn't think this is where my life would be.
- 292 Me, either.
- 293 I'm in a bedroom and you're on a couch.
- 294 I'm actually winning.
- 295 You know, we're both down on our luck.
- 296 Maybe you and I should try to get a place together.
- 297 (chuckles): Okay, listen to me.
- 298 There is no reason to leave here.
- 299 This is great.
- 300 Everyone's nice.
- 301 It's comfortable.
- 302 If all goes according to plan, this is my retirement home.
- 303 Wouldn't you feel better about yourself if you were more independent? Better than I feel in their steam shower?
- 304 I don't think so.
- 305 Penny would be the entree.
- 306 Then Leonard's basically a cheese course.
- 307 And because I love you, you're dessert.
- 308 I want to say "aw," but I'm gonna say "ew."
- 309 No, you see, I'm doing this so I can stop being spoiled and, you know, grow as a person.
- 310 Good for you.
- 311 This sandwich has six dollars worth of ham in it.
- 312 Don't you even feel a little bad sponging off your friends?
- 313 Hey, look, I went to art college, I tried to make it as a graphic artist, a comic book artist, and you know what I got for my efforts?
- 314 A visible rib cage.
- 315 I'm not kidding.
- 316 You could see my heart beating.
- 317 Well, no offense, but I didn't go to art school.
- 318 I have a PhD in astrophysics.

- 319 Oh, great, it'll be easier for you to look up at the stars without a roof over your head.
- 320 Morning.
- 321 Did you know Raj moved out last night?
- 322 What? Why?
- 323 "Leonard and Penny, I'm sorry for all the trouble I've caused.
- 324 "I went to stay at Howard's." P.S., Cinnamon's with me, "but if you feel like messing with Sheldon, tell him she's loose in the building." I feel terrible.
- 325 Should we go bring him back?
- 326 Well, you're the one worried having someone live with us is a sign of problems.
- 327 Oh, that was just because my mother got in my head.
- 328 It's like being possessed, but instead of Satan, it's- Actually, it's the same thing.
- 329 All right, so we'll ask him to come back.
- 330 Well, great.
- 331 Don't you want to get dressed first?
- 332 Just one second.
- 333 Help! Cinnamon's loose in the building!
- 334 SHELDON: Amy, quick, lock the door!
- 335 We're so sorry if we made you feel uncomfortable.
- 336 We really weren't fighting about you.
- 337 I just never want to be a burden on my friends.
- 338 Me, either.
- 339 Don't want to be a burden.
- 340 Hey, is that the baby?
- 341 I'll go check.
- 342 You are not a burden, and we want you to come back and stay with us.
- 343 But I also upset Sheldon, and he's not gonna want to come over if I'm there.
- 344 More reasons for you to stay.
- 345 Hallev's fine.
- 346 You know she's at my parents' house, right? And she's having the time of her life.
- 347 If you ever want to change things up, you're always welcome here.
- 348 Just not in our bedroom, you dumbass.
- 349 I appreciate it, but I think staying with Leonard and Penny makes more sense for everyone.
- 350 Then it's settled.
- 351 And just so you know, it's only temporary.
- 352 I'm not gonna get too comfortable.
- 353 Good.
- 354 Nobody needs a mooch living in their house forever.
- 355 Hey, that's no way to talk about your baby.
- 356 You know what? I'm proud of us.
- 357 Yeah, with Penny and Leonard taking in Raj, and Stuart living with

Howard and Bernadette, we're the only couple of our social group who doesn't need to fill the holes in their relationship with a third party. 358 - Yup, we're killin' it.

## 2.19 Episode 19: The Collaboration Fluctuation

- 1 You know, downward-facing  $\log$  comes from the Sanskrit phrase adho mukha shvanasana.
- 2 Oh, that's beautiful.
- 3 What does it mean?
- 4 "Downward-facing dog."
- 5 Yeah, I guess they don't have Sanskrit for "butts up and heads down."
- 6 Hey, we wrote the Kama Sutra.
- 7 If it involves butts, there's a word for it.
- 8 I thought we were getting breakfast before work.
- 9 Oh, right, sorry.
- 10 It's my fault. I asked Penny to do yoga with me.
- 11 If you want, I can get ready in five minutes.
- 12 (chuckles)
- 13 It's cute that you think that.
- 14 Don't worry about it.
- 15 Hey, can I ask you a favor?
- 16 Would you mind taking Cinnamon for a walk?
- 17 Sure.
- 18 You're living here for free.
- 19 I guess I owe you.
- 20 Bye, Cinnamon.
- 21 Be a good girl.
- 22 Yeah, bye, sweetie!
- 23 Bye!
- 24 Yeah, yeah, bye, Leonard.
- 25 (chuckles)
- 26 Okay, and tree pose.
- 27 Well, she's done.
- 28 Our whole universe was in a hot, dense state
- 29 Then nearly billion years ago expansion started... Wait!
- 30 The Earth began to cool
- 31 The autotrophs began to drool, Neanderthals developed tools
- 32 We built the Wall
- 33 We built the pyramids
- 34 Math, Science, History, unraveling the mystery
- 35 That all started with a big bang
- 36 Bang!
- 37 Things have been going really well with the infinite resistance gyroscope.
- 38 That's great. How so?
- 39 Oh, the project is classified.

- 40 I can't tell you.
- 41 Oh, I suppose I could redact the classified parts.
- 42 All right, um, I came up with an elegant solution to the... (speaks indistinctly)
- 43 (horn honks)
- 44 I used the...
- 45 (speaks indistinctly)
- 46 (horn honks)
- 47 And then I... (speaking indistinctly)
- 48 (horn honking)
- 49 And that did it.
- 50 (horn honking)
- 51 Wow, I wonder what they're redacting.
- 52 Why don't you ask me what I'm working on?
- 53 Oh, very well.
- 54 What have you been working on?
- 55 And feel free to honk during the boring parts.
- 56 I'm doing some experiments to show that the signal to move a muscle occurs before you know you even decided to move it.
- 57 W... So you're attempting to pinpoint where consciousness resides in the brain.
- 58 Yes, I'm trying to figure out the nanometer and the attosecond, precisely where and when an event of awareness takes place.
- 59 Well, what do you know?
- 60 Here I was, waiting to be bored with biology, and instead you tickle my intellectual fancy.
- 61 Which, unlike my body, is an okay place to tickle.
- 62 You know, when I was six, I wanted to marry the gorilla from Good Night, Gorilla.
- 63 Maybe I was onto something.
- 64 Gentlemen, the most interesting thing just happened with this spoon.
- 65 Unless it was singing "Be Our Guest," I doubt it.
- 66 Yeah, I picked it up without thinking about it.
- 67 Which raises a neuroscientific question, when did I decide to pick it up?
- 68 The bigger question is, what are you gonna eat with that spoon?
- 69 You didn't get any food.
- 70 He does raise an interesting point.
- 71 Amy is studying the time lag between intent and awareness, and I realized that applies to the measurement problem in quantum mechanics.
- 72 Now, I recognize there will be a time lag between me saying that and you Googling what it means, so I'll wait.
- 73 I understand it, Sheldon.
- 74 Yeah, me, too.
- 75 I'm sorry, I spaced.
- 76 Are we still talking about the spoon?
- 77 It's nice to see you taking an interest in Amy's work.

- 78 Well, don't get me wrong.
- 79 Neurobiology's nothing more than the science of gray squishy stuff.
- 80 But, you know, when it connects to physics, gas up the Ford, Martha, we're going for a drive.
- 81 So did you confront Jennifer?
- 82 I was going to, but she called in sick.
- 83 And guess who else called in sick.
- 84 Paul.
- 85 Paul.
- 86 Who's Paul?
- 87 Oh, you met him at the office Christmas party.
- 88 He's married to Nancy.
- 89 Oh, sure.
- 90 Wait, Nancy?
- 91 I bet Jennifer gets a promotion out of this, which is so unfair because I work twice as hard as she does.
- 92 Don't worry, Jerry won't be fooled by that type of behavior.
- 93 Jerry?
- 94 It didn't work for Randy, it didn't work for Tina, it sure as hell isn't gonna work for Jennifer.
- 95 Well, I hope not.
- 96 I just hate when people play those kinds of games.
- 97 Tina?
- 98 With your sales record, you have nothing to worry about.
- 99 Mm.
- 100 I went to your office Christmas party?
- 101 You know, I like harp lessons, but I'm thinking of switching to elevator repair lessons.
- 102 What are you working on?
- 103 I was thinking about your experiment on the neuroscience of decision making, and I realized, if we connect it to the measurement problem in quantum mechanics, we have a chance to disprove the role of consciousness in the Copenhagen Interpretation.
- 104 Wait, are you saying if we combine my experiment with your calculations, we can determine the precise moment in time when the wave function collapses?
- 105 It could be the most inspired combination since I mixed red Icee into my blue Icee
- 106 It was like drinking / of the rainbow.
- 107 Sheldon, this is really interesting.
- 108 Yeah, and this one won't stain my teeth purple.
- 109 You know, we've never collaborated professionally before.
- 110 Are you worried it might affect our relationship?
- 111 That is a valid point.
- 112 Perhaps we should establish some ground rules.
- 113 Well, that would make me feel better.
- 114 All right, let's start right now.

- 115 Uh, rule number one, no using sexuality to get your way.
- 116 That's a ridiculous rule.
- 117 Is it?
- 118 Okay, how is that?
- 119 I can actually feel the toxins being pulled out of my skin.
- 120 Well, this is a moisturizing mask.
- 121 Oh, well, then I can actually feel the moisture going into my skin.
- 122 Hey, I hope you don't mind, I used a little of your eye cream last night.
- 123 I thought someone looked brighter and tighter.
- 124 I'd still like to know who Jerry is.
- 125 Don't worry about it.
- 126 Hey, after this, how about we all go out and do something together?
- 127 That would be great.
- 128 Thank you.
- 129 You want to go shopping?
- 130 Ooh, yes. Fun.
- 131 Or we could do something we'll all enjoy, like play a board game.
- 132 Imagine me and you, I do
- 133 I think about you day and night
- 134 It's only right to think about the one you love
- 135 And hold her tight
- 136 So happy together
- 137 I can't see me lovin' nobody but you
- 138 For all my life
- 139 When you're with me
- 140 Baby, the skies will be blue
- 141 For all my life.
- 142 I believe I've made some progress on our ground rules.
- 143 Oh, good.
- 144 What are they?
- 145 Okay, uh, number one: in matters of physics, I have the final say.
- 146 In matters of neuroscience, you have the final say.
- 147 Unless I disagree.
- 148 Oh, here.
- 149 Number two: when we publish, my name goes first.
- 150 Oh, subsequently, if we win any awards, I speak first.
- 151 I don't want to be talking when the orchestra plays us off.
- 152 Can I see that?
- 153 Oh, of course.
- 154 I'll get that back.
- 155 Like all my underwear, that notebook says
- 156 "Property of Sheldon Cooper."
- 157 Sheldon, if we're gonna have ground rules, I'll tell you the first ground
- rule– I make the ground rules.
- 158 I'd write that down, but I can't now, can I?
- 159 I mean, they didn't say anything, but I just kind of felt like I was being a

- weird third wheel.
- 160 Huh, so you can tell what that feels like.
- 161 Interesting.
- 162 Anyway, I figured I can hang out with my friends and have fun, too.
- 163 Well, if your idea of fun is riding in a minivan to Target for diapers, things are about to get nuts.
- 164 Oh, it's just nice to be with people who are happy to have me around.
- 165 Isn't that right, Halley?
- 166 (Halley crying)
- 167 Well, at least someone had the courage to say it.
- 168 Thank you, you are a good citizen.
- 169 Told you.
- 170 Go ahead, throw my underwear out the window.
- 171 Same thing's gonna happen.
- 172 Terrific.
- 173 Do you want to hear our new set of ground rules?
- 174 Fire away.
- 175 Number one: we're on the same team, we're not in competition.
- 176 That's smart, because Sheldon: , Amy: .
- 177 Number two: disagreements can happen politely.
- 178 There's no need to call an idea stupid.
- 179 Aw, someone drew a pen1s in it.
- 180 Are you listening?
- 181 I'm sorry, go ahead.
- 182 Number three.
- 183 To avoid getting frustrated, we take built-in breaks and reward our successes with a small treat.
- 184 Ooh, that sounds fun.
- 185 Now, we're talking about real treats, right?
- 186 Not Bible verses like my mother used to give me.
- 187 Whatever you want.
- 188 So, shall we get to work?
- 189 Biology and physics coming together—this is like the peanut butter cup of the mind.
- 190 Oh, I know what I want my treat to be!
- 191 Imagine me and you, I do
- 192 I think about you day and night
- 193 It's only right
- 194 To think about the girl you love
- 195 And hold her tight
- 196 So happy together
- 197 If I should call you up, invest a dime
- 198 And you say you belong to me
- 199 And ease my mind
- 200 Imagine how the world could be, so very fine
- 201 So happy together

- 202 I can't see me
- 203- Lovin' nobody but you
- 204 For all my life...
- 205 Wow.
- 206 Look at that.
- 207 Yes, this is remarkable.
- 208 So we're agreed: it's complete garbage.
- 209 By the way, your name can go first.
- 210 I mean, I'm glad they're getting along, but it's starting to make me uncomfortable.
- 211 Well, are you worried he's like another man in her life?
- 212 A little, until I saw them in matching tops, so...
- 213 Nice. diapers.
- 214 That ought to get us to Wednesday.
- 215 Well, have you talked to them about it?
- 216 Well, what am I supposed to say-"Stop having fun without me"?
- 217 This one says that every time I go out.
- 218 See? I listen to you.
- 219 Look, Raj just gets along with women.
- 220 I-I know, but he was my friend first.
- 221 It's like she's stealing him and they're just having the best time doing all
- their dumb girly stuff together.
- 222 You sure you don't fit in? 223 - You sound like a catty bitch to me.
- 224 I don't know where we went wrong.
- 225 Yeah, the math is so inelegant.
- 226 I'm not even sure it makes sense.
- 227 Well, don't give up.
- 228 Maybe we can fix it.
- 229 Can you stop breathing so loud?
- 230 I can hear your nose whistling.
- 231 I can hear your face talking, so we're even.
- 232 All right, either blow your nose or teach it to play "Camptown Races."
- 233 Fine. Fine.
- 234 You want me to blow my nose?
- 235 Here, I'll blow it.
- 236 (nose blowing aggressively)
- 237 Better?
- 238 No, I can still hear it.
- 239 Oh, wait, that's me.
- 240 Never mind, it's fine.
- 241 You know, you're exhausting.
- 242 I knew working together was a bad idea.
- 243 Hold on.
- 244 I see what's wrong here.
- 245 We did the propagation only to the occipital lobe, not to the prefrontal

#### cortex.

- 246 That would mean that this delayed parameter
- 247 should be increased milliseconds.
- 248 Oh, that is much better.
- 249 Yeah, boy, if good ideas came out of your brain the way mucus comes out of your nose, we'd be in good shape.
- 250 Now, take a sip, swirl it around your mouth, and try to notice the flavors, the tannins, the textures.
- 251 Well?
- 252 I probably should have spit out my gum first.
- 253 (both laugh)
- 254 Yeah. You know, the last couple of weeks have been pretty rough, but, uh, staying here with you guys has really helped take my mind off of it.
- 255 Mm. Well, we've loved having you around.
- 256 Right, sweetie?
- 257 Leonard?
- 258 Yeah, when did he leave?
- 259 Yeah, that's rude.
- 260 You know, it's nice to spend time with people who don't talk about work like it's some kind of soap opera.
- 261 Jennifer still trying to sleep her way to the top?
- 262 Yeah.
- 263 You should be happy someone wants to do the stuff with Penny you don't want to.
- 264 Yeah, I wish I had that with Howard.
- 265 Wait.
- 266 What? What do I make you do?
- 267 Let's see: the magic store, the Doctor Who convention, the National Belt Buckle Collector's meet and greet.
- 268 It said right there on the invitation, "Buckle up for fun."
- 269 It's not my fault you didn't listen.
- 270 I'm sure I'm overreacting.
- 271 You're entitled to feel how you feel.
- 272 If you don't like it, you should just talk to her.
- 273 I don't want to sound like a jealous baby.
- 274 Oh, then maybe you shouldn't talk to her.
- 275 You know, I had a feeling you were using the wrong computational model,
- but I didn't say anything 'cause you're so sensitive.
- 276 (grunts) Just because I am easily bothered by light, heat, sound, smell and the way birds look at me does not mean I'm sensitive!
- 277 Hev.
- 278 I wonder what kind of success we'd have if we defined measurement as the first moment that an action potential is seen by the visual cortex.
- 279 (gasps) That is a daring and insightful solution.
- 280 We're finally making progress.
- 281 I wish we could do it without fighting.

- 282 What if the fighting is the reason we're making progress?
- 283 I suppose it's conceivable that the hormones associated with our fight-or-flight response could be sharpening our cognitive processes.
- 284 Well, if that's the case, then your grandparents mumble and have bad posture.
- 285 How dare you speak that way about my Grammy– hey, wait a second. Wait.
- 286 Delta "T" could equal alpha sub-zero.
- 287 It seems we have a choice to make.
- 288 Abandon all ground rules in the name of science, or... give up collaborating for the sake of our relationship.
- 289 There's only one clear choice.
- 290 Science it is.
- 291 No, you bonehead!
- 292 Name-calling, that is perfect.
- 293 Now, when I get to this equation here, really let me have it.
- 294 You know?
- 295 I-If it helps, I'm not the sharpest dresser.
- 296 Anyway, I know it's silly, but since Raj moved in, I've been feeling a little left out.
- 297 Well, sweetie, that's crazy.
- 298 No, no, Penny, don't dismiss his feelings.
- 299 Thank you. I just feel...
- 300 Hang on, I'm not saying that his feelings aren't crazy.
- 301 I just don't want him to think that this isn't a safe place.
- 302 Well, to be truthful...
- 303 PENNY: Well, why wouldn't this be a safe place? I mean, he's surrounded by his wife and one of his best friends.
- 304 I don't want to speak for Leonard.
- 305 Thank you. I...
- 306 But when you're insecure, no amount of external validation can ever make you feel safe.
- 307 Yeah, you're right. You know, you're really sensitive about this kind of stuff.
- 308 I'm a good listener.
- 309 (chuckles) Yeah.
- 310 Hey, Olsen twins...
- 311 What?
- 312 Well, I-I mean, I'm sitting right here.
- 313 You're talking about my feelings and somehow leaving me out of the conversation.
- 314 I'm sorry.
- 315 What did you want to say?
- 316 I don't know, you pretty much covered it.
- 317 So happy together.
- 318 Various: (Shouting) Heigh!

- 319 Can you read them back?
- 320 "Revised ground rule number one: We are on the same team, but it is a competition."
- 321 Excellent. Excellent.
- 322 And on a related point, you're going down, punk.
- 323 "Revised ground rule number two: "There are definitely stupid questions.
- 324 "And those who ask them can be told so right to their stupid face."
- 325 I love that one.
- 326 Thanks, babe.
- 327 "Number three: "Fair topics for insult include "educational pedigree, scientific field, intellectual prowess, and mamas."
- 328 Yeah, that list is strong.
- 329 Like your mother's urge to be promiscuous with sailors.

# 2.20 Episode 20: The Recollection Dissipation

- 1 Hey, Leonard, if you're not busy tomorrow, I have to do a little reception after work.
- 2 Oh, I would, but we need to make a push on the air force project.
- 3 Oh, are you sure?
- 4 We're celebrating our new A.D.D. drug, and it'll probably be over in, like, six minutes.
- 5 Did you say you guys are working on the guidance system tomorrow?
- 6 - Yeah, why?
- 7 Well, Sheldon said that he was gonna work with me on our quantum perception project.
- 8 We've had this planned for a week.
- 9 Well, he reconfirmed with me this morning.
- 10 Guys, before this gets ugly, remember, the winner gets Sheldon.
- 11 Hey, Raj, do you want to go with me tomorrow?
- 12 Are you asking because you want me there or out of pity?
- 13 Actually, never mind, don't answer.
- 14 I'd love to.
- 15 Hello.
- 16 Why did you tell Leonard you're working on the gyroscope tomorrow?
- 17 - Because I am.
- 18 But you said you were working with me.
- 19 PENNY: Uh-oh.
- 20 Someone's got two dates to the nerd prom.
- 21 I have a plan to work on both projects simultaneously.
- 22 And for your information, the summer conference on algebraic topology at Caltech is nerd prom.
- 23 I'm sorry, what is this plan you have?
- 24 Well, I'm not needed at both places at the same time.
- 25 And I can also free up extra hours with simple tricks, such as using a minimal amount of words to convey my point.

- 26 When does that start?
- 27 Soon.
- 28 See, I could've said "in the near future," but I didn't say "in the near future," 'cause "in the near future" is three more words than "soon."
- 29 "In" one, "the" two, "near" three, "future" four. See "in the near future" is four, "soon" is just one, four is more than one; saving time already.
- 30 Genius.
- 31 I was gonna say, "Why does anyone think Sheldon's a genius?"
- 32 But I didn't.
- 33 Our whole universe was in a hot, dense state
- 34 Then nearly billion years ago expansion started... Wait!
- 35 The Earth began to cool
- 36 The autotrophs began to drool, Neanderthals developed tools
- 37 We built the Wall
- 38 We built the pyramids
- 39 Math, Science, History, unraveling the mystery
- 40 That all started with a big bang
- 41 Bang!
- 42 Gentlemen, I've got Amy up and running.
- 43 Shall we get to work?
- 44 Uh, before we do, what are you wearing, oh, friend who we pretend is normal?
- 45 These are hydration backpacks.
- 46 Eh, for efficiency, whenever I'm thirsty, I have access to water.
- 47 Eh, when I'm hungry, I have lentil soup.
- 48 It's getting harder to pretend.
- 49 Anyway, Sheldon, we're at a decision point to run the xenon stream through the cryocooler or through the vacuum filter.
- 50 Run down the pros and cons of each for me.
- 51 Well, if we run the xenon stream through the cryocooler, it'll be cooled immediately before it reacts with the conduction.
- 52 (slurping)
- 53 Oh, sorry, uh, carrot chunk.
- 54 You can just feel the time being saved.
- 55 Ah, I'm back, you got me for eight minutes.
- 56 Sheldon, this is silly.
- 57 You can't expect us to do quality work with you popping in and out like this.
- 58 The coefficient isn't lambda, it's lambda sub one.
- 59 And over here, you should consider the possibility that the brain itself is in two different quantum states.
- 60 And lastly, do you have any little soup crackers?
- 61 The rate of spinning for the central axis centrifuge has to be four revolutions per second.
- 62 It can't be four revolutions, it's got to be seven.
- 63 Seven?!

- 64 Look at the board, it's four.
- 65 Oh, my God, it's seven!
- 66 Four!
- 67 Seven!
- 68 It's five and a half.
- 69 Son of a bitch, it's five and a half.
- 70 B.R.B., that's short for "Be right back."
- 71 I'm saving so much time!
- 72 The two signals meet up in the corpus callosum and T equals zero.
- 73 And I know a boy who just earned a slurp of soup.
- 74 Incredible.
- 75 Sheldon, I didn't expect that you could work on both projects, but I, I was wrong.
- 76 You know, I felt the same way about the spork.
- 77 Uh, solids and liquids handled by one utensil?
- 78 That'll never work.
- 79 Spoiler: works.
- 80 I got to admit, we didn't think you'd be able to do two things at once.
- 81 Yeah, I felt the same way about the platypus.
- 82 You know, bird and mammal in the same creature? No way.
- 83 And spoiler: way.
- 84 Hey.
- 85 Hey.
- 86 Oh, thanks again for letting me use your laptop last night.
- 87 No problem.
- 88 Was just doing my taxes.
- 89 Okay.
- 90 Actually, if I could... if I could just check one more...
- 91 Already cleared the browser history.
- 92 You're a good woman.
- 93 What you working on?
- 94 Trying to catch up on office e-mails before I go back.
- 95 Oh, that's right, maternity leave's almost over.
- 96 Ah, you excited?
- 97 Yeah, I mean, I'll miss Halley, but it'll be nice to get out of the house, be intellectually stimulated.
- 98 Go out to lunch instead of, you know, be lunch.
- 99 That's great, good for you.
- 100 Yeah, I mean, with you and my parents, she's gonna be fine.
- 101 Ah, of course she is.
- 102 And that day care is great.
- 103 It is. I went to check it out, and they are very cautious about letting strange men with no kids peek in the windows.
- 104 Plus, I, I think I'm setting a good example for Halley, to show her that women can be mothers and still have satisfying careers.
- 105 Sure, she won't know where I went or if I'm ever coming back.

- 106 That'll just make the ten minutes between when I get home
- 107 (voice breaking): and her bedtime even more special.
- 108 Uh, other than burp you or give you a bottle, I don't know what to do right now.
- 109 It's okay, I'm just being emotional about this.
- 110 Can you not tell Howard?
- 111 Well, don't you think it'd be healthier if you told him what's going on with you?
- 112 Don't you think it'd be healthier if you had your own apartment, grown man?
- 113 Your secret is safe with me.
- 114 Hey, since when do you do laundry on a Thursday?
- 115 Oh, I had an accident at work, I slipped and fell on my soup sack.
- 116 You know, there was a time I would say "What's a soup sack?"
- 117 But... I'm glad we're past that.
- 118 (sneezes)
- 119 You know, there was a time I would say "God bless you," and then you would say "If you must invoke an imaginary deity, how about Thor?"
- 120 And I would say, "How do you know I didn't mean Thor?"
- 121 And then you would say "Touché," and that there ends the tale of why I no longer say "God bless you."
- 122 Well, we have had some fun, haven't we?
- 123 Oh, yeah.
- 124 So, Leonard tells me you've had a busy day.
- 125 Hmm? Oh, I did.
- 126 It hasn't stopped.
- 127 I figured out a solution for our navigation system while I was pre-soaking lentils out of my pants.
- 128 (sneezes)
- 129 Are you getting sick?
- 130 Of course not.
- 131 I'm too busy to be sick.
- 132 Well, you're pretty delicate.
- 133 Maybe you shouldn't be pushing yourself so hard.
- 134 I'm fine.
- 135 All right.
- 136 Well, we'll just pretend that you didn't catch a cold watching Frozen.
- 137 I...
- 138 That didn't happen.
- 139 You also got a nosebleed watching Up.
- 140 Just do your laundry!
- 141 Stuart, you didn't have to make dinner.
- 142 Yeah, well, I felt bad about upsetting you this morning.
- 143 And to be honest, I'm not the biggest fan of your meatloaf.
- 144 Hey, what's for dinner?
- 145 Meatloaf.

- 146 Oh, cool.
- 147 Stuart made it.
- 148 Oh, cool.
- 149 Hey, I was thinking maybe we take Halley to the zoo this weekend, get in a little family time before you go back to work.
- 150 Sounds great.
- 151 WOLOWITZ: Speaking of which, for day care, it'll be easy for me to drop her off, unless you want to do it.
- 152 Hmm, guess it should be me.
- 153 STUART: I can't do it; they have a picture of me on file now.
- 154 You okay?
- 155 Of course, why?
- 156 Well, I don't know, you seem a little upset.
- 157 No, I'm fine.
- 158 You sure?
- 159 Why don't you think she's fine?
- 160 She sounds fine, she looks fine.
- 161 If I saw her on the street I'd say, "Damn, that girl's fine!"
- 162 Sheldon, you're sick, go back to bed.
- 163 (stuffy): I am fine.
- 164 Here, eat your toast.
- 165 (sneezes)
- 166 Sorry.
- 167 It's okay, now I don't need butter.
- 168 Well, perhaps I am a little under the weather.
- 169 It's nothing a little cold medicine and tea can't fix.
- 170 You need sleep.
- 171 What I need is to get to work.
- 172 Well, I don't want your germs around me.
- 173 What? You hold my hand, you kiss my mouth, but you draw the line at fever?
- 174 What happened to our love?
- 175 Sheldon, are you okay?
- 176 What's going on?
- 177 How'd I get here?
- 178 I don't know, we came home from work and we found you.
- 179 Home from work?
- 180 What time is it?
- 181 It's:.
- 182 : ?!
- 183 W-What happened to: and: and all the other o'clocks?
- 184 Wait, you don't remember?
- 185 Well, I remember waking up in the morning, Amy rubbing Vicks on my chest.
- 186 And her hands were like two frozen chunks of tundra.
- 187 I took some cold medicine to...

- 188 (gasps)
- 189 I took cold medicine.
- 190 You did seem a little loopy when you showed up at the lab.
- 191 At- at the lab?!
- 192 Why am I naked from the waist down?
- 193 I don't know where your pants are, but we did find your underwear in a pot on the stove.
- 194 My pants are missing, I don't remember anything.
- 195 Penny, this is your youth.
- 196 What do I do?
- 197 I don't know, check your body for tattoos?
- 198 Leonard, would you be a lamb...
- 199 She's kidding!
- 200 Wait, wait. Where's my bag?
- 201 My phone and my wallet are in my bag.
- 202 It's right here.
- 203 (gasps)
- 204 (sighs)
- 205 Where's my notebook?
- 206 My notebook's gone. Oh, no.
- 207 Okay, it's just a notebook, what's the big deal?
- 208 What's the big deal?
- 209 It's full of classified information about the air force project!
- 210 How could you lose that?
- 211 It's okay, I'm sure we'll find it.
- 212 Look, it's got to be around here somewhere.
- 213 Maybe it's wherever your pants are.
- 214 Nope, pants in the microwave, no notebook.
- 215 Hey.
- 216 Ah, hello.
- 217 (sighs) Look, something's going on with Bernadette.
- 218 She say anything to you?
- 219 Well, nope, not a word.
- 220 Come on, be honest.
- 221 Did you tell her I tried her breast pump?
- 222 No, but I did mention it to my therapist.
- 223 Well, I know she's mad at me about something.
- 224 Well, what have you done that would upset her?
- 225 Oh, gosh, how much time do you have?
- 226 (sighs)
- 227 Well, why don't you just start with the worst thing?
- 228 Hmm, let's see. Mm.
- 229 Okay, here we go: six years ago, I got a call that Bernie's great-aunt, Trixie, died.
- 230 And?
- 231 (whispering): And I forgot to give her the message.

- 232 That's terrible.
- 233 The terrible part is, ever since then,
- 234 I've been sending Bernie
- 235 (laughing):
- 236 Christmas cards from Trixie.
- 237 Oh...
- 238 Howard!
- 239 Let me finish— and one card had five dollars in it I took from Bernie's purse.
- 240 The notebook isn't in the bathroom.
- 241 I can't find it, either.
- 242 How can he not remember a day?
- 243 Well, people who are abducted by aliens lose time.
- 244 I mean, maybe it happens to the aliens, too.
- 245 (door opens)
- 246 Well, it's not across the hall.
- 247 That's it. I'm in breach of my security clearance.
- 248 I'm going to prison.
- 249 And you know what happens to people like me in prison.
- 250 I'll be forced to be some large man's tutor.
- 251 You're not going to prison.
- 252 But, boy, it is funny to think about.
- 253 (chuckles)
- 254 You really can't remember anything?
- 255 I'm trying.
- 256 Wait a minute.
- 257 Hey, let me see your phone.
- 258 Why?
- 259 Well, it's- it's possible it was tracking everywhere you went.
- 260 Phones can do that?
- 261 Yeah, it depends on the privacy settings.
- 262 Oh, tha- that's so cool.
- 263 How do you how do you turn that thing off?
- 264 Relax.
- 265 I know when you "go for a run," you stop for a donut.
- 266 I don't even run there, I drive.
- 267 Hang on, I can see every place you went.
- 268 What does it say?
- 269 Uh, you were in the building, you were at the university, then you were somewhere on Colorado Boulevard.
- 270 Where?
- 271 Wait, hang on.
- 272 Did you go to a cowboy bar?
- 273 I– no!
- 274 That is preposterous.
- 275 Ow!

- 276 (country music playing)
- 277 Maybe.
- 278 Hey, how's it going?
- 279 Fine.
- 280 Good. Love you.
- 281 - Love you, too.
- 282 - Love you more. (chuckles)
- 283 Okay, you won.
- 284 Can I finish what I'm doing?
- 285 Sure, sorry.
- 286 (chuckles)
- 287 (humming)
- 288 Something on your mind?
- 289 No, no, nothing.
- 290 (chuckles)
- 291 Okay, well, maybe I'm just feeling like something's bothering you.
- 292 Nope, all good.
- 293 Prove it, make love to me right now on the kitchen floor.
- 294 No, what is wrong with you?
- 295 Aha, you are upset.
- 296 I don't know a lot about women, but I know I upset them.
- 297 Howard, I'm sorry if I'm being weird, but it has nothing to do with you.
- 298 It doesn't?
- 299 No.
- 300 (sighs)
- 301 I didn't want to tell you, but...
- 302 I'm having a really tough time about going back to work.
- 303 Oh. Okay, well, I get that.
- 304 It was hard for me when I went back.
- 305 - It was?
- 306 - Of course.
- 307 I missed you and the baby and being able to watch Ellen every day.
- 308 I just don't know what the right thing to do is.
- 309 If I go back to work, I'm abandoning Halley.
- 310 If I don't go, I'm giving up everything I worked for.
- 311 It's like there's no right choice.
- 312 Look, I don't know what the best decision is, either.
- 313 But whatever we choose, if we're not happy, we can undo it.
- 314 I guess.
- 315 And the best part is: Halley won't remember a thing.
- 316 (laughs)
- 317 Babies are cute, but they're dumb.
- 318 (chuckles)
- 319 I mean, I-I go like this, she thinks I'm gone. Then magically I'm back. I mean
- 320 Honestly, why are we saving for college?

- 321 I'm not crazy about you calling our baby dumb.
- 322 Well, she gets it from me.
- 323 Speaking of which, I have some news about your Aunt Trixie.
- 324 (sighs)
- 325 Radio blastin' all night
- 326 Truck bed's a carriage...
- 327 Does this place look familiar?
- 328 It's hard to say.
- 329 Hey, Sheldon's back!
- 330 ALL: Sheldon!
- 331 It's getting clearer.
- 332 You gonna buy another round for the house?
- 333 Uh, n-no, thank you.
- 334 We now know why MasterCard sent me a fraud alert.
- 335 Ask him.
- 336 Um, yes.
- 337 Howdy, partner.
- 338 Do you happen to recollect if I left a notebook in these here parts?
- 339 These here parts?
- 340 It's called fitting in.
- 341 By the way, good luck.
- 342 Here you go.
- 343 Oh.
- 344 Thank goodness!
- 345 One top secret quantum guidance system.
- 346 You understood the math?
- 347 No, but Sheldon told me all about it.
- 348 He told everybody.
- 349 That's just great.
- 350 Oh, don't worry, he made us pinky swear we'd keep it a secret.
- 351 I swear...
- 352 ALL: I swear...
- 353 ...not to tell anyone...
- 354 ALL:
- 355 ...not to tell anyone...
- 356 (whispering): ...the top secret military information I'm about to tell you.
- 357 ALL (whispering): The top secret military information I'm about to tell vou.
- 358 We really need to skedaddle.
- 359 Thank you.
- 360 Bye.
- 361 KOOTHRAPPALI: See you.
- 362 Should probably erase this.
- 363 Thank you for making me tea.
- 364 You're welcome.
- 365 How is it?

- 366 Yummy. And warm on my back.
- 367 Do you need anything else?
- 368 You know exactly what I need.
- 369 Fine.
- 370 Soft kitty, warm kitty
- 371 Little ball of fur
- 372 Happy kitty, sleepy kitty
- 373 Purr, purr, purr.
- 374 That's nice.
- 375 Now in German.
- 376 (singing in German)
- 377 Great.
- 378 Now Mandarin.
- 379 (singing in Mandarin)
- 380 Now Navajo.

## 2.21 Episode 21: The Separation Agitation

- 1 All right, we're about to go live.
- 2 Everyone on their A-game!
- 3 Good energy!
- 4 Hello.
- 5 I'm Dr. Sheldon Cooper.
- 6 And I'm Dr. Amy Farrah Fowler.
- 7 And welcome to a special retrospective, where we will take a look back at the history of Fun with Flags on an episode we're calling...
- 8 BOTH: "Fun with Flags: Behind the Flags: A Retrospective."
- 9 (upbeat music playing)
- 10 Wondering how it all began?
- 11 You'll need a good attention span
- 12 For information and entertainment
- 13 That's equally effective
- 14 It's fun with flags
- 15 Behind the flags
- 16 A retrospective
- 17 Flags.
- 18 Mind you, when we say "behind the flags"" we don't literally mean these flags.
- 19 That's just where we have dinner.
- 20 Now, I'm sure many of you are wondering how Fun with Flags began.
- 21 So let's hear from some people who were there at the very start.
- 22 H-Howard.
- 23 Flashback sounds.
- 24 (piano playing arpeggios)
- 25 Could have played that on my harp.
- 26 Just roll the clip.

- 27 SHELDON: So tell us in your own words about that magical moment when Fun with Flags was born.
- 28 I honestly don't remember.
- 29 SHELDON: Sure you do.
- 30 I was telling you both the story about how Haiti and Lichtenstein discovered they had the same flag.
- 31 It was at the Summer Olympics of , and two plucky nations...
- 32 Oh, wait. I remember.
- 33 Oh, and do you remember what you said?
- 34 Yes. "Please find someone who cares""
- 35 And that's exactly what I did.
- 36 I found a lot of someones.
- 37 Almost.
- 38 Many of them on purpose.
- 39 And now we're going to turn it over to you, the viewers, to call in and share your favorite Fun with Flags moments.
- 40 And-and don't get discouraged if the phone lines are jammed.
- 41 Just keep trying.
- 42 (computer chimes)
- 43 Oh, thank God!
- 44 Welcome to Fun with Flags!
- 45 BERT: Hey, Sheldon.
- 46 Hey, Amy. It's Bert.
- 47 Hello, Bert.
- 48 What is your flag-related comment or query?
- 49 I have a girlfriend.
- 50 And what does that have to do with flags?
- 51 Nothing. I just wanted everyone to know I have a girlfriend.
- 52 Bert, you're tying up the line.
- 53 My apologies to all of you trying to call in with legitimate flag comments.
- 54 Ooh, ooh. All right.
- 55 W-We have our next caller.
- 56 BERT: Her name's Rebecca.
- 57 Our whole universe was in a hot, dense state
- 58 Then nearly billion years ago expansion started... Wait!
- 59 The Earth began to cool
- 60 The autotrophs began to drool, Neanderthals developed tools
- 61 We built the Wall
- 62 We built the pyramids
- 63 Math, Science, History, unraveling the mystery
- 64 That all started with a big bang
- 65 Bang!
- 66 Should we get lunch or you want to eat at the zoo?
- 67 (imitating Bernadette): "Oh, Howie, I don't need food as long as I can look at my phone".
- 68 I don't like when you imitate me.

- 69 You want to hear my Stuart?
- 70 (imitating Stuart): "It's been a while since I've gone on a date.
- 71 You mind if we watch the monkeys doing it?"
- 72 I said that to you in confidence.
- 73 This is supposed to be our family fun day.
- 74 What's so important on your phone?
- 75 I'm on the day care's Web site.
- 76 Stop looking at that.
- 77 The day care's great.
- 78 It's on campus.
- 79 My office is two minutes away.
- 80 There's nothing to worry about.
- 81 What if she likes the people who work there more than us?
- 82 She already likes soap bubbles more than us.
- 83 When I go back to work, we're gonna leave her with these people.
- 84 We don't know anything about them.
- 85 They're highly-trained educators with background checks.
- 86 They're even required to be current on all vaccinations.
- 87 You leave her with me, and I'm not any of those things.
- 88 Where's Howard?
- 89 He took the day off.
- 90 Oh, let's take advantage of his absence and tell the kinds of jokes only physicists get.
- 91 I'll go first.
- 92 Okay, here. Uh, Heisenberg is pulled over by a police officer.
- 93 And the policeman says, "Did you know you were going miles per hour?"
- 94 And Heisenberg says, "Darn it, now I don't know where I am."
- 95 So Howard back Monday?
- 96 KOOTHRAPPALI: Yeah.
- 97 Hey, guys.
- 98 Oh, hello.
- 99 Hey. Want to join us?
- 100 (stammers) But he's a geologist, and I have more physics jokes.
- 101 Oh, quick! Sit!
- 102 So, Sheldon says you have a new girlfriend.
- 103 Yeah, which he rudely announced on my flag show.
- 104 People were so upset about it no one else called in the rest of the night.
- 105 Sorry. I couldn't help myself.
- 106 I guess I just love love.
- 107 Well, I'm very happy for you.
- 108 Hey, we're all having dinner tonight.
- 109 Why don't the two of you join us?
- 110 Yeah, wh- Hold on.
- 111 We don't know anything about this woman.
- 112 What do you want to know?
- 113 Is she a geologist?

- 114 No.
- 115 Oh, great. See you at:.
- 116 (birds chirping)
- 117 How about after this we go see the exotic bird show?
- 118 Not a good idea.
- 119 My hair is a coveted nesting material.
- 120 Learning anything?
- 121 Well, sloth babies cling to their mothers' bodies for almost a year.
- 122 I'm going back to work after only four months, so I've learned I hate myself, I hate sloths, and I hate you for bringing me here.
- 123 Me I get, but that sloth is pretty cute.
- 124 It's not just the sloth.
- 125 Polar bears nurse their cubs for almost eight months.
- 126 The orangutan mother builds her baby a new home every night.
- 127 And what do I do? I choose my career over my child!
- 128 Told you we should have gone to Legoland.
- 129 Can't believe Bert has a girlfriend and I don't.
- 130 I thought you were taking a break from women to focus on your career.
- 131 Oh, grow up.
- 132 (knocking on door)
- 133 Don't you have any friends he can date?
- 134 Hey, I already set up Howard and Bernadette.
- 135 It's your turn to ruin some poor girl's life.
- 136 Oh, hey, guys. Come in.
- 137 Thanks.
- 138 Everyone, this is Rebecca.
- 139 Hi.
- 140 AMY/LEONARD/PENNY:
- 141 Hey.
- 142 She's younger and far more attractive than he is.
- 143 They're copying you two.
- 144 What are you making?
- 145 Chicken.
- 146 Birds mess with my hair, I come back hard.
- 147 Finally get Halley down?
- 148 Yeah, eventually.
- 149 She's still not happy about taking a bottle, though.
- 150 Look, if you're not ready to go back to work, we'll figure something out.
- 151 No, I'll be fine.
- 152 It might be good for her.
- 153 Howard's mother was around him all the time, and he's a world-class mama's boy.
- 154 (scoffs)
- 155 I mean, wh-why would you say that?
- 156 Go ahead, have a tantrum; that'll prove me wrong.
- 157 It would be nice to raise Halley to be a little more independent than you

#### were.

- 158 I guess.
- 159 It wasn't until college that I learned you can put a thermometer in your mouth
- 160 On that charming note, dinner is served.
- 161 So is this your first time dating a scientist?
- 162 'Cause I'm thinking of starting a support group.
- 163 Actually, I'm not new to this.
- 164 I was engaged to a Scientologist.
- 165 (clears throat)
- 166 Bert, Rebecca.
- 167 I'd like to apologize for my insensitive comment earlier.
- 168 Don't worry about it.
- 169 It's fine.
- 170 See? It was fine.
- 171 I didn't need a time-out.
- 172 It wasn't a time-out.
- 173 Let's get some food.
- 174 You made me sit on the stairs and think about what I did.
- 175 Get your food!
- 176 So how did you two meet?
- 177 Oh, it's such a cute story.
- 178 We met on a dating Web site.
- 179 Is that it?
- 180 Oh, sorry. The end.
- 181 That's nice.
- 182 I haven't had much success meeting people online.
- 183 I didn't either, until I revamped my profile.
- 184 What'd you do, delete your photo?
- 185 Go.
- 186 Fine.
- 187 And don't you slam that door.
- 188 Aw, man.
- 189 Did I say something wrong?
- 190 No, it's always him.
- 191 So, Bert, you were telling us how you updated your profile?
- 192 Right. I wasn't getting any responses, and then I added, "Recent, MacArthurgrantwinner", and five mine
- 193-Imet my soul mate.
- 194 Iwaswrong.
- 195-You can come back in.
- 196-So, Rebecca, how didy out become a personal trainer?
- 197-I came to Los Angeles to be an actress, and things didn't really work out.
- 198 I'dsayshe's copying you again, but...
- 199-...I'm getting tire dof sitting in the hall.
- 200-I'dlove a personal trainer.
- 201-Ihaven't seen my abssince they opened a Shake Shack on my drive home.

- 202-I could give you some free sessions.
- 203 Oh, is that of fer for every body?
- 204 (chuckles)Nicetry.
- 205 I'mnotgoing.
- 206 Where's your bathroom?
- 207 Mm, just down there.
- 208-She's soperfect, sometimes Ithink she isn't real.
- 209-And then she goes to the bathroom, and I know she is.
- 210 Aw, that's so weird.
- 211-AMY: I'msorry, Bert, but aren't youworried she's only with you for your money?
- 212-Shebetter be. On our first date, I boughther an-inch flat-screen.
- 213 Your first date?
- 214 Didyoueven measure her walls?
- 215 Youknow, onour first date, Leonardused a coupon to buy mea pretzel.
- 216-And we lived happily ever after.
- 217 The end.
- 218-Well, guess I'm ready to go.
- 219-Have agreat first day back.
- 220-You have everything she needs for day care?
- 221 Yep, all in the bag.
- 222 Good.
- 223 Okay, sweetie, Mommy's gonnago toworknow, soyouhave funt oday.
- 224-Itoldher if day care is anything like prison, find the biggest baby and knock him out.
- 225 Bye, cutie.
- 226-I'm gonnamissyou.
- 227 (voicebreaking) : I'mgonnabe waiting rightheretonight when you get home.
- 228 Stop, you're gonnama kemecry.
- 229-(voice breaking): Great, now every body's crying.
- 230 (clearsthroat)
- 231-At least Halley's not.
- 232 That's good.(chuckles)
- 233 She's not gonnasee us all day, and she doesn't even care!
- 234 Who's ready to laugh?
- 235 (groans)
- 236 Okay.So...
- 237-Feynman, Einstein and Schrodinger walk into abar.
- $238 Feynmansays, \ \ Itappearswe'reinsideajoke."$
- $239-Einstein replies, \ But only to an observer whos a wuswalk in simultaneously."$
- $240-Towhich Schrodingersays, \ If someone's looking in the window, I'm leaving.$ "
- 241 (chuckles) That's actually funny.
- 242-You should send that to Jimmy Fallon.
- 243 Hey.
- 244 Oh, hello. Joinus.
- 245 Hey. Yeah.
- 246 Hey, sorryiflastnightwasawkward.
- 247 Actually, it got methinking that I shouldn't flaunt my money to find love.

- 248-Imight breakup with Rebecca.
- 249 Wow, that's a bigstep.
- 250-Ithinkitshows a lot of character.
- 251-I'm gonnahol dout and see if I can find a hot young blonde who likes me forme.
- 252 (laughs):
- 253 That's a good on e.
- 254-Okay, now, Leonard, youtella joke.
- 255 BERNADETTE : How's shedoing?
- 256 She's great. Look.
- 257-Isee awall...
- 258 floor...
- 259-some Asian baby...
- 260-Theresheis.
- 261-See? Nothing toworry about.
- 262 Thankyou.
- 263 Okay, I'mgonnatry and getsomework done.
- 264 Yeah, me, too.Loveyou.
- 265 Loveyou, too. By e.
- 266 (phone beeps)
- 267 (sighs)
- 268 STUART : Howisshe?
- 269 (screams)
- 270-What are you do in ghere?
- 271-Can't aguyhan gout at a college hedoes n't got oand stare at a baby that is n'this?
- 272 Igetit.
- 273 Ihaven't even made it to my of fice yet.
- 274 (both chuckle)
- 275 (both sigh)
- 276-Isit weir dif we just standhere and watch her all day?
- 277 Probably.
- 278-We should go.
- 279 Yeah.
- 280 (exhales)
- 281-Orwe could take her to the aquarium.
- 282 I'llgether, yougrabherbag.
- 283 Hangon, Halley, we're busting you out of the re!
- 284 What are youlooking at?
- 285-Comments from our Behind the Flags retrospective.
- $286-Getthis, people are calling it \verb|\thelongestoneyet|""$
- 287 (knockingondoor)
- 288 BERT : Hello? Anybody home?
- 289 IsthatBert?
- 290 BERT : It's Bert.
- 291 Ithinkit's Bert.
- 292 Hey, what'sup?
- 293-Ibrokeup with Rebecca.

- 294 Oh.
- 295 AMY : Oh.
- 296 Youknow, goodforyou.
- 297 No, Imissher.
- 298 Idon'tknow why Ilistened to you.
- 299 He's notwrong.
- 300-It was your crack pot idea that he deserves love.
- 301-Youknow, youneed to start raising your hand be for eyous peak.
- 302 Yes, starting now.
- 303-Bert, you're a good guy; you deserve a woman who's interested in more than just your money.
- 304-Shew as also interested in walking around my house in her under wear.
- 305 Now the only one doing that is me.
- 306-Ifyou're that upset, gogether back.
- 307 Itried.
- 308-She's not answering mycalls.
- 309-Which really hurts because I bought her that phone.
- 310-Imade a huge mistake.
- 311 No, youdidn't.
- 312 Okay? Look, Bert, when I had money,
- 313-Idated lots of girls who weren't right forme.
- 314-And then I gave up my money, and now I'm alone and living with my friends, and some body else should probably a superior of the property of the property
- 315 Look, sweetie, relationshipsaren't about money, okay?
- 316-It's about respect and having thing sincommon and...
- 317 Yes, Sheldon?
- 318-You and Leonard don't have anything in common.
- 319 Maybeyoushouldbreakup.
- 320-You called on him.
- 321 (singsongy):
- 322-Guess who's home from day care?
- 323 It's Halley.
- $324 Unless some body else put an \X$ " on the bottom of their kid's foot.
- 325-Your ealize they called when you tookher.
- 326 (singsongy) : Guesswho's home from the aguarium?
- 327 BERT: Sorryagain for barging in.
- 328 Youdon't have to go.
- 329-You're welcome to hang with us.
- 330 Actually, our friendship group is at capacity.
- 331-But if any body drop sout, you're at the top of the list.
- 332-Unless it's Raj, in which case, we'll probably get a person of color.
- 333-Youguys are nice, but I'm just gonnabuy Rebeccaa Jet Ski and see if that get sherback.
- 334 If eelbadf or Bert.
- 335-Sohe's using his money to attract a mate.
- 336-Isthat any different than measing my intelligence to attract Amy?
- 337 Or Leonardus ing his power of groveling to get Penny?
- 338 It's totally different.
- 339-Bert's money might run out, but I can be guntil the end of time.

- 340-All that and he's shorter than me.
- 341-Sheldon, what did Amyhave that attracted you?
- 342 Oh, somanythings.
- 343-Hermind, herkindness, and especially herbody.
- 344 Really?
- 345 Relax.
- 346 We're the same blood type.
- 347 Heknewhe could harve stanorgan.
- 348 She does look happy.
- 349 See? This is the right thing for her.
- 350-Let's all just go towork.
- 351 (sighs)
- 352 Anytime.
- 353 Let mejust say good by e.
- 354-Halley.Look at Mommy.
- 355 Overhere, honey.
- 356 Saygood byetoMommy!
- 357 Lookatme!
- 358 Look at your mother!
- 359 (babiescrying)
- 360 Allright, we can go.
- 361 Hello.
- 362 I'mDr. Sheldon Cooper.
- 363 And I'm Dr. Amy Farrah Fowler.
- 364-Based on the glowing reception of our recent Behind the Flags retrospective, we thought you might like to see her also a support of the properties of
- 365 Sowelcometotonight's episode...
- 366 BOTH : FunwithFlags :
- 367 Behind the
- 368-Behind the Flags: A Retrospective Retrospective.
- 369-Ooh, we already have our first call.
- 370 Oh.
- 371 Hello, you're on Funwith Flags.
- 372-BERT: The Jet Skiworked. I gother back.

## 2.22 Episode 22: The Cognition Regeneration

- 1 We're pinned down!
- 2 We can't get through!
- 3 Sheldon, get over here and help!
- 4 Okay, one second.
- 5 Sheldon, why are you jumping up and down?
- 6 I'm trying to shoot.
- 7 Then use the shoot button, not the "wonderful thing about Tiggers" button!
- 8 Aw.
- 9 That's it, we're dead.
- 10 Okay, challenge them again.

- 11 Doing it right now.
- 12 Oh, they can't.
- 13 There's an important Little League game tomorrow.
- 14 No wonder they beat us, they're jocks.
- 15 What happened to me?
- 16 I used to excel at these things.
- 17 Kids are always better at video games.
- 18 Well, I don't like it.
- 19 Mm, if it makes you feel better, you still dress like a child.
- 20 No, but it's not just video games.
- 21 I downloaded the new O.S. for my phone, took me a week to stop accidentally texting kissy faces to everyone.
- 22 Oh, so our love is not real?
- 23 Well, I-I know how you feel.
- 24 I tried one of those electronic Japanese to ilets, practically shot myself across the room.
- 25 I guess I just need to face it,
- 26 I'm no longer a wunderkind.
- 27 Now I just wonder what's for lunch.
- 28 Hot dogs.
- 29 Yay.
- 30 Our whole universe was in a hot, dense state
- 31 Then nearly billion years ago expansion started... Wait!
- 32 The Earth began to cool
- 33 The autotrophs began to drool, Neanderthals developed tools
- 34 We built the Wall
- 35 We built the pyramids
- 36 Math, Science, History, unraveling the mystery
- 37 That all started with a big bang
- 38 Bang!
- 39 I didn't know you could drink while you're breastfeeding.
- 40 Yeah, they say the yeast in beer helps with milk production.
- 41 I'm pretty sure that's a myth, let me check.
- 42 Ruin it for me and I'll break this glass over your head.
- 43 To denial.
- 44 (whoops)
- 45 Oh, I'm gonna get another.
- 46 You want food?
- 47 Yeah, breastfeeding burns, like, , calories a day.
- 48 Do not touch that phone.
- 49 Penny?
- 50 Oh, Zack. Hey.
- 51 What are the odds of running into you here?
- 52 Well, it's a bar, so pretty good.
- 53 Uh, what's new?
- 54 Oh, tons of stuff.

- 55 Put artificial grass in my backyard, got engaged, had a scary mole that turned out to be Sharpie.
- 56 Well, congratulations.
- 57 That's what my dermatologist said.
- 58 No, on-on getting engaged, good for you.
- 59 Oh, thanks. How about you?
- 60 Hey, how's Leonard?
- 61 Is he still smart?
- 62 Yes, yes, he's working for the government on an infinite persistence gyroscope.
- 63 Of course, the first time I say it right, he's not even here.
- 64 (chuckles)
- 65 I love that little guy.
- 66 Hey, we should all have dinner sometime.
- 67 Uh, yeah, sure, I'll check with Leonard.
- 68 Cool, I'll check with Sara.
- 69 Sara, pull up my calendar.
- 70 It never works for me.
- 71 I've been thinking about our recent humiliation.
- 72 You're gonna have to be more specific.
- 73 At the hands of those teenagers.
- 74 More.
- 75 Boy teenagers.
- 76 Oh, the video game. Yeah, that was bad.
- 77 I started doing some reading on cognitive vitality, and I came across an area of research called "super-aging."
- 78 You know who's a super-ager?
- 79 Jennifer Lopez.
- 80 Like, what is her secret?
- 81 Now, this is rare.
- 82 I don't know which one of you I want to stop talking first.
- 83 The theory is that if you really tax your brain, the neurofibers will become thicker and the glial cells more lustrous.
- 84 Like JLo's hair.
- 85 Boy, it is neck and neck right now.
- 86 How is super-aging any different than, like, doing crossword puzzles?
- 87 Well, it's not just doing simple cognitive tasks.
- 88 You need to push your brain out of its comfort zone and reach mental exhaustion.
- 89 I drive you to work every day, my brain must look like the Hulk.
- 90 If you really want to challenge yourself, you could learn to speak Hindi.
- 91 Jab mein aat saal katha Maine seekha tha.
- 92 Could you say that in English?
- 93 I actually, I never learned Hindi.
- 94 Hey, you ready to go?
- 95 Yeah, I guess.

- 96 What's the matter?
- 97 Honestly? It's a little strange having dinner with your ex-boyfriend, and it's not like we have a lot to talk about.
- 98 What? He loves you, okay?
- 99 And he's interested in your work.
- 100 You could talk about the infinite perspective...
- 101 I swear I know it.
- 102 It'll be fine, let's just go.
- 103 Well, and his fiancée will be there, so you know, if the conversation lags, we can talk about their wedding.
- 104 (groans)
- 105 Come on, I spent an entire plane ride with you talking about the trailer for <code>Deadpool</code> .
- 106 Ha! I knew you weren't asleep.
- 107 Hey, guys.
- 108 Hi.
- 109 Hi. Hey, where's your fiancée?
- 110 Oh, she couldn't make it.
- 111 She had an emergency.
- 112 Oh, no, what happened?
- 113 I didn't ask.
- 114 Hev.
- 115 - Hey.
- 116 - Hey.
- 117 What smells so good?
- 118 Raj is teaching meto make croissants.
- 119 Is this part of your super-aging?
- 120 Yes. Yeah, it seemed daunting at first, but then I realized, it's like the chemistry set I had as a kid.
- 121 Only, when your brother eats this, no one has to call Poison Control.
- 122 KOOTHRAPPALI: Okay.
- 123 Shall we?
- 124 Oh. my God.
- 125 It's light, it's flaky, it's buttery.
- 126 You don't need to have s\*x with him, just eat one of these.
- 127 Yes, it is delicious.
- 128 Wha... Physicist, baker, lover, what can't I do?
- 129 Well, clearly mental tasks are not enough.
- 130 Maybe you need to challenge your motor skills.
- 131 For the last time, I am not having a tickle fight with you.
- 132 You want a real challenge, try keeping me from eating more of these.
- 133 You're just using food to mask the fear that you're fundamentally unlovable and therefore going to be alone forever.
- 134 Damn it, he's good at that, too.
- 135 Thanks.
- 136 Wow, working on a top secret government project, that is so cool.

- 137 Aw.
- 138 Do you have a bodyguard to keep spies away?
- 139 I have Sheldon, that keeps most people away.
- 140 I miss that guy.
- 141 He's like
- 142 the Swedish Chef Muppet.
- 143 I don't know what he's saying, but he's funny.
- 144 Oh, I know what he's saying, and he's not, he's not funny.
- 145 So, Penny, what's going on with you?
- 146 How's the job?
- 147 Uh, it's okay, I'm still in pharmaceutical sales.
- 148 She's doing amazing.
- 149 She can actually make a side effect, like 150 Yeah, lying isn't my favorite part of the job.
- 151 Actually, I'm not crazy about a lot of it.
- 152 Hey, if you're not happy there, I've been looking for a new head of sales at my company.
- 153 And we don't sell drugs, just menus, so the only lie you'll be telling is we print on recycled paper.
- 154 We don't.
- 155 Oh, that's a nice offer.
- 156 You know, we'd make a great team.
- 157 Or as we say in the menu business, I can't do this without "Me N U."
- 158 Right, 'cause it spells "menu."
- 159 Yeah, right? It's funny. I got a lot of menu jokes, but that's my favorite.
- 160 All right, this is everything.
- 161 What do you want to learn?
- 162 It really doesn't matter, as long as it's challenging.
- 163 Okay, well, how about, oh, I teach you some close-up... magic.
- 164 Howard, I'm trying to make myself uncomfortable, not everyone else.
- 165 So you wanted to learn something physical and you came to Howard Wolowitz?
- 166 Hey, the circus arts are very physically and mentally demanding.
- 167 Have you ever tried to juggle?
- 168 Yes, I'm juggling my love for you and my embarrassment of you right now.
- 169 And it's hard, isn't it?
- 170 So the key is, the moment one ball is at the top of its arc, you toss the next one.
- 171 Hmm?
- 172 Okay, I think I got that.
- 173 Uh, h-hold on.
- 174 (chuckles)
- 175 There's a, an old saying in juggling.
- 176 Is it "I'm going to die alone"?
- 177 No, it's "if you want to have fun, start with one."
- 178 Yours we think, but we do not say.

- 179 All right, just toss it up and catch it a few times, get comfortable with it.
- 180 Okay.
- 181 (laughs softly)
- 182 Just to be on the safe side, am I in any danger of getting juggler's elbow?
- 183 No.
- 184 Are you sure? 'Cause I'm feeling a twinge.
- 185 See, that wasn't so bad.
- 186 He even picked up the check.
- 187 Yeah.
- 188 Although, when he was trying to figure out the tip,
- 189 I'm pretty sure I saw smoke coming out of his ears.
- 190 (laughs)
- 191 You're not really considering working for him, are you?
- 192 Well, maybe, I mean, it seems kind of perfect.
- 193 I have sales experience, and I've been a waitress, so I have restaurant experience, and if he's figuring out my Christmas bonus, we could buy a boat.
- 194 Don't you think it might be a little weird to work for someone you used to date?
- 195 You work with Sheldon, you tell me.
- 196 Yeah, it's weird.
- 197 Okay, are you seriously jealous of me working with Zack?
- 198 No, no, I-I'm not jealous, I just think you have got a good thing going where you are right now, and you make great money and you haven't slept with any of your coworkers.
- 199 Great, so you want me to stay at a job I'm not happy at?
- 200 (scoffs)
- 201 Ùh...
- 202 You okay?
- 203 You kind of look like Zack trying to figure out that tip.
- 204 Of course I don't want you to be unhappy, but I also want you to be smart, and working for an ex-boyfriend isn't very smart.
- 205 You don't have to stop, just slow down, I'll jump out.
- 206 Amy, look,
- 207 I'm on a unicycle!
- 208 How did you get from croissants to a unicycle?
- 209 I hurt myself juggling.
- 210 Where did you get it?
- 211 Howard said I could borrow it, Bernadette said forever.
- 212 Have you tried letting go of the rope?
- 213 What, are you crazy? I'm on a unicycle.
- 214 All right, well, have fun.
- 215 Wait, I need help getting down.
- 216 Well, what do you want me to do?
- 217 Drag out our mattress and put it over here, then go across the hall, get their mattress and put it over here.
- 218 But before you do any of that, scratch my nose.

- 219 So you told her she was being dumb?
- 220 No, I told her she was being not smart.
- 221 Which was dumb.
- 222 Why did you even go to dinner with the guy?
- 223 We covered this, I'm dumb.
- 224 So he's my ex-boyfriend, who cares?
- 225 I can't believe Leonard would be so insecure.
- 226 Really?
- 227 I have no trouble believing that at all.
- 228 And Zack's engaged.
- 229 Leonard has no reason to feel threatened.
- 230 We're talking about the same Leonard, right?
- 231 So you think it's fine if she works for Zack?
- 232 I don't know, maybe.
- 233 Well, he is much more attractive than Leonard.
- 234 Yes, but that's gonna be true of a lot of guys she works for.
- 235 Yeah, but she also used to sleep with Zack.
- 236 Again...
- 237 (chuckles)
- 238 I would never let Howard work with an ex.
- 239 What, you wouldn't trust him?
- 240 I wouldn't trust her.
- 241 He's thin and sexy like a Jewish greyhound.
- 242 Yeah, that-that is the sexiest dog.
- 243 And I'd like to think Howie wouldn't take a job
- 244 I was uncomfortable with.
- 245 'Cause he's scared of you?
- 246 Terrified.
- 247 Yeah.
- 248 You know what? I'm with Leonard, this isn't cool.
- 249 Thank you.
- 250 I disagree.
- 251 Penny is a strong, independent woman.
- 252 The more you try to control her, the more she'll push back.
- 253 So you think it's okay?
- 254 Oh, no, she's gonna leave you for someone, might as well get it over with.
- 255 What are you doing?
- 256 I'm returning this stuff to Howard.
- 257 Oh.
- 258 Well, Bernadette made me promise if you didn't want it, we'd give it to a homeless clown.
- 259 What happened to learning the unicycle?
- 260 Oh, I stopped that, it was dumb.
- 261 Uni, bi, tri, menstrual, all cycles are dumb.
- 262 You said juggling was dumb, too.
- 263 Well, it is.

- 264 If I wanted to hold three things at once, I'd wear cargo pants.
- 265 Sheldon, is it possible that when things get really difficult, you just give up?
- 266 Are you calling me a quitter?
- 267 Well, if you honestly...
- 268 This conversation is over.
- 269 His mother warned me.
- 270 Everybody warned me.
- 271 Actually, he warned me.
- 272 Hey.
- 273 Hi.
- 274 You want to talk?
- 275 That doesn't seem to be where I shine.
- 276 How about I just give you one of these?
- 277 Look, we can have a reasonable conversation and I won't get mad.
- 278 I don't like it after s\*x, and I don't like it now.
- 279 Yeah, sorry.
- 280 Yeah.
- 281 All right, just come here.
- 282 Look, I get me working with Zack is weird and I don't want you to be uncomfortable.
- 283 Well, thanks.
- 284 And I don't want you to be stuck at a job you don't like.
- 285 Then what do we do?
- 286 Well, I don't love it, but if you really want to take this job, I'll find a way to deal with it.
- 287 No, I know you'll try, but it'll make you miserable, which will make me miserable, and...
- 288 I'm just gonna stay where I'm at for now.
- 289 No, no, no, no, you're-you're unhappy there and then you're gonna blame me for making you stay, and it's fine, I'll just— I'll suck it up.
- 290 You don't need to do that, it's okay.
- 291 Yeah, see, now I feel terrible, like I'm being selfish and holding you back.
- 292 What? Say something.
- 293 Yeah, that is pretty annoying.
- 294 I made you tea.
- 295 Thank you.
- 296 I'm sorry I called you a quitter.
- 297 It's okay, I stopped being upset about that.
- 298 And no, the irony is not lost on me.
- 299 What are you reading?
- 300 This article says the peak age for making a Nobel Prize-winning discovery is .
- 301 So?
- 302 So I'm running out of time.
- 303 That's ridiculous, you're a brilliant man.

- 304 The best years of your life are still ahead of you.
- 305 Oh, you have to say that, you're sweet on me.
- 306 Well, if you're really worried about your career, maybe you should consider spending a little less time with video games and comic books.
- 307 Hey!
- 308 I thought you were sweet on me.
- 309 Okay, fine, let's say you never win a Nobel Prize.
- 310 Let's say you spend your life doing solid scientific research surrounded by friends and loved ones who appreciate you, not for what you've accomplished but for who you are as a man.
- 311 Wouldn't that be a life well-lived?
- 312 You're so cute.
- 313 I'm gonna go learn how to walk on stilts.
- 314 So many warnings.
- 315 Okay, are you sure about this?
- 316 Absolutely. I just want you to be happy.
- 317 And maybe a little turned on about how selfless I'm being.
- 318 Penny, what's up?
- 319 Hey, uh, so I've been thinking about it and I want to take the job.
- 320 Oh, bad news.
- 321 When my fiancée found out that I was offering a job to my ex-girlfriend, she said it was a stupid idea and threw a shoe at me.
- 322 Oh, so there's no job?
- 323 Nope, just a little bump on my forehead.
- 324 Okay, thanks anyway.
- 325 By
- 326 Well, his fiancée thought the idea of us working together was stupid.
- 327 You were right, I was wrong.
- 328 Aren't you gonna say anything?
- 329 Not if I want to be doing this later.
- 330 Hey, I didn't know you were home.
- 331 Where you been?
- 332 I went to see your mom.
- 333 Seriously, where were you?
- 334 I just told you, your mom's.
- 335 Why?
- 336 Well, since you find my magic tricks so embarrassing, I got to wondering what cool hobbies you had as a kid.
- 337 Oh.
- 338 What'd she say?
- 339 She didn't say much of anything.
- 340 But she said a lot!
- 341 (puppet voice):
- 342 Hi, Bernadette, remember me?
- 343 First of all, that's not what she sounds like, she's from South Carolina.
- 344 (chuckles) I can't believe you made fun of me all these years while you

were a closeted ventriloquist.

- 345 Okay, it's not like I wanted to be a ventriloquist.
- 346 I was in beauty pageants and I needed a talent besides spreading rumors that the other contestants were pregnant.
- 347 Well, since you enjoyed getting rid of all my stuff, you know, maybe we should throw this little lady in the wood chipper.
- 348 No!
- 349 And the little lady has a name.
- 350 Which is?
- 351 Tammy Jo St. Cloud.
- 352 "Tammy Jo St. Cloud."
- 353 Oh, and I'm a dork for juggling.
- 354 Sorry, you're not a dork.
- 355 (Southern accent):
- 356 You're a clown.
- 357 (normal voice):
- 358 Tammy Jo, don't say that, you'll make him feel bad.
- 359 (Southern accent): Look at him, what reason he got to feel good?
- 360 All right, very funny.
- 361 Don't listen to her, she's been in a box for, like, years.
- 362 (chuckles)
- 363 Yeah, back when his haircut was fashionable.
- 364 (giggles)
- 365 That's enough, put her away.
- 366 (Southern accent):
- 367 Oh, big daddy,
- 368 I don't think so.
- 369 You marry Miss Bernie, you marry me.
- 370 We all family now.
- 371 All right, you're freaking me out.
- 372 (Southern accent):
- 373 Don't be that way.
- 374 If you don't mind a few splinters, we can have us a ménage à trois.
- 375 Ooh!
- 376 I'm doing it.
- 377 I'm doing it.
- 378 (chuckles)
- 379 I'm tall and I'm doing it!
- 380 (snorts softly)
- 381 Ah, man.

## 2.23 Episode 23: The Gyroscopic Collapse

- 1 Previously on The Big Bang Theory...
- 2 What's this?
- 3 Oh, nothing, just some math we don't need.

- 4 This is a different approach.
- 5 You trying to get the guidance system even smaller?
- 6 It's just a... theory.
- 7 Well, it's not even worked out.
- 8 Oh.
- 9 (chuckles)
- 10 I want this.
- 11 Uh, but we've already met the agreed upon specs.
- 12 Going smaller would require weeks' worth of new computations.
- 13 So get the kid with the two shirts to do it.
- 14 Sir, I mean, (stammers) if I may, uh, we've put a lot of thought and effort into this current prototype.
- 15 It's a really elegant solution, and most importantly, it works.
- 16 You both make excellent points.
- 17 And thank you for presenting it so articulately.
- 18 (chuckles)
- 19 Make this.
- 20 Champagne, champagne, Thank you.
- 21 and for the world's tallest second grader, apple juice.
- 22 No bendy straw, some party.
- 23 Hey, a-a toast.
- 24 Thank you all for your support while we worked on our Air Force project.
- 25 And please know that we could not have done it without you, so cheers.
- 26 ALL: Cheers.
- 27 (whoops)
- 28 You know, it's nice of you to acknowledge us, but this is your accomplishment.
- 29 Yeah, you guys did this all on your own.
- 30 Without me.
- 31 To success without Raj.
- 32 (all cheer)
- 33 So what happens next?
- 34 Phase two, we test it, perfect it, and hope to live long enough to see the movie based on our lives starring more attractive versions of us.
- 35 (all chuckle)
- 36 Yeah, I'll definitely live long enough—vitamin C.
- 37 First thing tomorrow morning, we're back at it.
- 38 Without me.
- 39 I hope his character doesn't make it into the movie; he's kind of a bummer.
- 40 FEMALE VOICE: Leonard Hofstadter.
- 41 Access granted.
- 42 Hmm.
- 43 I don't care if this thing's burning out my retinas; it makes me feel special.
- 44 Now, before we field test, I think we...
- 45 What the hell?
- 46 Where is everything?

- 47 Who else has access to this room?
- 48 It's a secure lab in a classified facility; only the U.S. government and us.
- 49 This is very disconcerting.
- 50 But the movie did just get good.
- 51 Our whole universe was in a hot, dense state Then nearly billion years ago expansion started...
- 52 Wait!
- 53 The Earth began to cool The autotrophs began to drool, Neanderthals developed tools We built the Wall We built the pyramids Math, Science, History, unraveling the mystery That all started with a big bang Bang! Sir, I-I-I'm sorry but I just don't get it.
- 54 Y-You came into our lab in the middle of the night and took our prototype and all of our research and didn't even tell us?
- 55 Sounds like you get it.
- 56 Well, why would you do that?
- 57 You guys completed phase one, we'll take it from here.
- 58 Where did you move it?
- 59 I can't tell you that.
- 60 Are you implementing phase two?
- 61 I can't tell you that.
- 62 Wait, so you're just going to take all the work we've done for the last year and toss us aside?
- 63 That one I can tell you, yes.
- 64 This is all very upsetting.
- 65 I'm sorry to hear that.
- 66 As you know, the primary focus of the United States military is people's feelings.
- 67 If that's sarcasm, please save it for our enemies.
- 68 Well, I may be moving out soon.
- 69 I think I found a place to live.
- 70 Oh, I'm sorry to hear that.
- 71 Really?
- 72 You kept sending me apartment listings.
- 73 Um...
- 74 well, I...
- 75 yeah, you got me.
- 76 Where are you moving?
- 77 And when?
- 78 But a-also where?
- 79 Bert has a room for rent.
- 80 So you're gonna be roommates with Bert?
- 81 Uh, no, it's, uh, pretty private, actually, it's over his garage.
- 82 So the only time I'll see him is when he pulls his car in, does his laundry or practices drums in my dining room.
- 83 Well, good for you.
- 84 Mm-hmm.

- 85 I actually have a little news myself.
- 86 Okay, we're just gonna circle back to when he's moving out?
- 87 Okay, that's cool.
- 88 I was, uh, asked to be a visiting researcher at Princeton.
- 89 - Hey, that's amazing.
- 90 - Good for you.
- 91 - Congratulations.
- 92 Thanks, but the thing is I'll be gone for a few months and I don't know how Sheldon's gonna feel about that.
- 93 Oh, come on, he's a grown man, he can take care of himself.
- 94 You really believe that?
- 95 Once again, you got me.
- 96 How can you work on something for a year and they just take it?
- 97 I can't believe the Air Force would treat us like that.
- 98 You know, I have a good mind to stop paying my taxes.
- 99 It's too bad I enjoy doing them so much.
- 100 The Air Force did it again.
- 101 They're erasing our lives!
- 102 Third floor, wrong apartment.
- 103 Although, if anyone's gonna clean out your apartment and disappear, it'd be Penny.
- 104 She might disappear, but she's definitely not cleaning anything.
- 105 It's okay, everything's here.
- 106 Oh, hey, what's going on?
- 107 You won't believe it; the military confiscated our project.
- 108 What?
- 109 You're kidding.
- 110 Why would they do that?
- 111 They wouldn't say.
- 112 I feel so betrayed.
- 113 You know, all my life I thought Uncle Sam was a friendly uncle who brought you presents.
- 114 Turns out he's the other kind.
- 115 Sheldon, I'm so sorry.
- 116 Thank you.
- 117 Can we just talk about something else?
- 118 Yeah, what's going on with you guys?
- 119 Give us some good news.
- 120 Amy's got some news.
- 121 Yeah, um...
- 122 Raj is moving out.
- 123 Oh, no.
- 124 (sternly): When?
- 125 You doing okay?
- 126 Not really.
- 127 (chuckles)

- 128 Want me to put on some Neil Diamond?
- 129 That always makes you feel better.
- 130 No.
- 131 Then you'll get all sexed up and I'm not in the mood.
- 132 I mean, an entire year wasted.
- 133 You might be forgetting another accomplishment of the past year.
- 134 Oh.
- 135 Yeah, yeah, we brought life into the world.
- 136 Really?
- 137 That's the importance you put on us having a baby?
- 138 I'm happy about it, but, I mean, it's not like I did much.
- 139 I mean, after the first three minutes it was pretty much all you.
- 140 So, did you tell him about Princeton yet?
- 141 No, I'm waiting till he's in a good mood.
- 142 Oh, sweetie, you might not live that long.
- 143 I don't know, maybe I shouldn't go.
- 144 Oh, stop it, he'll be fine.
- 145 I guess.
- 146 And he'll have you and Leonard right across the hall the whole time.
- 147 Oh, damn, wait, you know, maybe you shouldn't go...
- 148 Got to go.
- 149 Morning.
- 150 I apologize for exceeding my allotted bathroom time.
- 151 Are you feeling okay?
- 152 Not really.
- 153 Apparently grief can make one less regular.
- 154 Oh, I'm sorry to hear that.
- 155 No, I sat and I sat, but to no avail.
- 156 Oh, the-the more details, the more sorry.
- 157 Well, maybe this'll cheer you up.
- 158 I made your favorite oatmeal...
- 159 plain.
- 160 What's the occasion?
- 161 No occasion, I just wanted to do something nice for you.
- 162 You're so kind.
- 163 You know, I don't know how I ever got by without you.
- 164 Oh.
- 165 That's sweet, but you... you did just fine on your own.
- 166 Well, I thought that, too, but I've come to realize, I am completely dependent on you.
- 167 Sheldon, you're, you're being silly.
- 168 No, to wake up every morning and know you're there is a great comfort to me.
- 169 Mmm, tasteless.
- 170 How do you do it?
- 171 You know, what you need to do is put this Air Force project behind you

- and just dive into something new.
- 172 Well, there is our quantum cognition experiment.
- 173 You and I could spend more time on that.
- 174 Oh, I don't know, I mean, let's say we succeed in proving that our consciousness creates reality.
- 175 I mean, what will we have really accomplished?
- 176 You know, a loaf of bread's still three bucks.
- 177 I'm confused.
- 178 You're always saying that you want to spend more time with me.
- 179 That is true, I have said that.
- 180 Well, a lot, it's very annoying.
- 181 Has something changed?
- 182 Um, is there something that you're not telling me?
- 183 I was offered a summer research fellowship at Princeton.
- 184 Princeton?
- 185 A fine institution.
- 186 The place where Albert Einstein taught.
- 187 And where Leonard got his PhD, so it may have gone downhill.
- 188 Yeah, that's the one.
- 189 Well, that's wonderful.
- 190 Congratulations.
- 191 Well, I-I haven't accepted it yet.
- 192 I wanted to talk to you first.
- 193 Wh-What is there to talk about?
- 194 You have to take it.
- 195 It's important.
- 196 So are you.
- 197 Thank you, but I'll be fine.
- 198 Are-are you sure?
- 199 Yes.
- 200 I may have lost my guidance system and my girlfriend, but I still have a colon full of yesterday's meals to keep me company.
- 201 Although, thanks to your high-fiber breakfast, I'm sure that'll be leaving me, too.
- 202 Really?
- 203 He doesn't put raisins or banana slices or anything in it?
- 204 I don't think plain oatmeal was the point of that story.
- 205- I mean, I like a little brown sugar...
- 206 Guys.
- 207 You're still gonna go, right?
- 208 I don't know.
- 209 Sheldon's so vulnerable right now.
- 210 Oh, come on.
- 211 Look, if the roles were reversed, he'd be on the first train to New Jersey, or the second train if there were teenagers on the first one.
- 212 Well, distance might be nice.

- 213 The last time a big project ended for Howie, he wouldn't stop following me around.
- 214 He even went with me to get a mammogram.
- 215 Well, what's wrong with that?
- 216 No, he wanted to get one with me, like some kind of weird couple's massage.
- 217 And yet you bore his child.
- 218 Neato.
- 219 You're excited about this opportunity, right?
- 220 Of course.
- 221 I get to be part of the first team to use radon markers to map the structures that...
- 222 Okay, a simple yes will do.
- 223 You have to go.
- 224 I know, but what if Sheldon...
- 225 Okay, listen to me.
- 226 Your relationship can handle being long distance for a while.
- 227 It's not like you two are very physical.
- 228 Hey, you don't know what goes on behind closed doors.
- 229 A lot of lectures?
- 230 All right, so you know.
- 231 I'm telling you, if you don't go you'll end up regretting it.
- 232 WOLOWITZ: Hey!
- 233 Wait up!
- 234 Oh, great.
- 235 You left something at home.
- 236 A big hug!
- 237 Oh!
- 238 (Wolowitz chuckles)
- 239 I found it right next to these kisses.
- 240 (Wolowitz smoothing)
- 241 It's too late for me.
- 242 Save yourself.
- 243 So, are you excited to have your own place again?
- 244 I am, but I'll miss you guys.
- 245 Ah, we'll miss you, too.
- 246 Wha... you could try saying that without smiling.
- 247 I'm trying.
- 248 This is the best I can do.
- 249 (harmonica playing)
- 250 What are you doing?
- 251 What does it look like?
- 252 I'm playing sad harmonica...
- 253 in an apartment as empty as my heart.
- 254 Why?
- 255 I got the blues.

- 256 My baby done left me.
- 257 Come on, Sheldon.
- 258 Amy's only gone for a few months.
- 259 And now that I'm moving out, your old room is empty, so you can stay there whenever you want.
- 260 Uh, could I talk to you in the hall for a sec?
- 261 Yeah, sure.
- 262 Sheldon, you're being silly.
- 263 Am I?
- 264 Yesterday I had an Air Force project, a girlfriend who lived with me, and my good friend Raj right across the hall.
- 265 Do you really care about that last one?
- 266 No, but that list was sounding a little thin.
- 267 Instead of dwelling on the negative, think about this.
- 268 Your girlfriend was given an amazing opportunity, which gives you an opportunity to show her that you're a loving and supportive boyfriend.
- 269 So trick her.
- 270 All right, let me start again.
- 271 Uh... you and Amy...
- 272 KOOTHRAPPALI: Can I get my stuff?
- 273 Sounds like it's gonna be a while.
- 274 I missed you.
- 275 (gasps)
- 276 Come here, let's talk.
- 277 Ooh.
- 278 Sounds serious.
- 279 Have I been a bad boy?
- 280 Am I gonna get a spanking 'cause you know I...
- 281 Just listen.
- 282 I don't know if you realize this, but whenever you're between projects, you tend to get a little insecure.
- 283 Oh.
- 284 A little clingy.
- 285 I know and I'm sorry.
- 286 Oh, oh, oh, okay, stop.
- 287 Stop.
- 288 I love when you're affectionate, but this is not coming from a good place.
- 289 (laughing): Well, excuse me, but what did you do when you worked on that allergy drug for two years and the FDA shut down your project?
- 290 I signed us up for ballroom dance class.
- 291 Okay, and what did you do when they took you off the antifungal team?
- 292 I made us have a baby.
- 293 So?
- 294 Bring it in.
- 295 (both chuckle)
- 296 And now the movie just got rated "R." Hey.

- 297 You going somewhere?
- 298 No, but you are, so I got you this as a present.
- 299 Sheldon, that isn't necessary.
- 300 No, it is.
- 301 Leonard pointed out to me that I'm not always a loving and supportive boyfriend, so here's some quality luggage.
- 302 Thank you.
- 303 The salesman said it could survive a plane crash, so...
- 304 Perhaps you should fly inside it.
- 305 Does this mean you're okay with me going?
- 306 Well, I'm not looking forward to it, but it is a wonderful opportunity and you need to take it.
- 307 Besides, Princeton is in New Jersey, so it's not like you're gonna want to stav.
- 308 Uh, I know it's not your birthday, but if you're interested...
- 309 I am.
- 310 Okay.
- 311 Oh, and just to be clear, I'm not being intimate with you in order to keep you from going.
- 312 I wasn't thinking that.
- 313 Well, no, it's just, I'm just warning you, you know, if you find yourself, miles away and craving a-a hit of this, you know.....
- 314 I can't Skype it to you.
- 315 That's a risk I'm willing to take.
- 316 All right, then.
- 317 Let's go to the bedroom, remove our clothes, fold them neatly.....and engage in frenzied lovemaking.
- 318 What if we don't fold our clothes at all?
- 319 I d... or...
- 320 what if we fold them?
- 321 Well, here's your key back.
- 322 Thank you.
- 323 As soon as I have the place set up I'm gonna have you guys over.
- 324 Oh, we would love that.
- 325 I really can't thank you enough for taking me in.
- 326 You know, I was in a pretty low place in my life, and...
- 327 SHELDON: Oh, Amy, you naughty vixen.
- 328 Anyway, uh, as I was saying, I was at a pretty low place in my life and, uh, if it wasn't for friends like you...
- 329 AMY: My goodness, that form of stimulation is highly efficient.
- 330 I can't compete with that.
- 331 Bye.
- 332 Should we give them their privacy?
- 333 I want to, but I don't think I can.
- 334 SHELDON: Whoopee!
- 335 Okay, I'm good now.

- 336 Okay, the car is waiting.
- 337 Do you want to walk me downstairs?
- 338 Of course.
- 339 Here, here, let me.
- 340 I've been doing a little research on New Jersey, and I was delighted to learn that their chief agricultural product is sod.
- 341 - Is it?
- 342 - Hmm, yes.
- 343 Yeah, perhaps I've been harder on them than they deserve.
- 344 Do you think it's possible you might enjoy being on your own for a little while?
- 345 It's hard to say.
- 346 I've never really lived by myself.
- 347 What if I become strange and eccentric?
- 348 I'll love you no matter what.
- 349 Howard Hughes saved his urine in milk bottles.
- 350 We'll cross that bridge when we come to it.
- 351 And you'll text me when you arrive at the airport?
- 352 I will.
- 353 And when you're at the gate?
- 354 - Uh-huh.
- 355 And if you see any actors from Game of Thrones in first class?
- 356 I don't know what they look like, but sure.
- 357 Oh.
- 358 And don't forget to Skype me when you arrive.
- 359 I won't.
- 360 - And every morning.
- 361 - Got it.
- 362 Now of course, my : a.m. is your noon, so let's avoid the whole "good morning," "good afternoon" minefield, and let's just say, "Hello." Good thinking.
- 363 And just remember, I am proud of you and I support you in all that you do.
- 364 Thank you.
- 365 That means a lot.
- 366 Oh, and one last thing.
- 367 If you find yourself working with a male scientist who's as smart as me, as tall as me and has hair like Thor, well, then I want you to step away from the situation and call me immediately.

### 2.24 Episode 24: The Long Distance Dissonance

- 1 Previously on The Big Bang Theory...
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- 8 Thank you.
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- 11 If you find yourself working with a male scientist, who's as smart as me, as tall as me, and has hair like Thor, well, then, I want you to step away from the situation and call me immediately.
- 12 How are you settling in?
- 13 AMY: Pretty well.
- 14 Princeton has a beautiful campus.
- 15 Now, I've learned some fun facts about New Jersey to help you make small talk.
- 16 Would you like to know the state bird or the murder rate?
- 17 They're both shocking.
- 18 Actually, I want to hear about you.
- 19 How are things at home?
- 20 Well, I'm a lot less likely to see an Eastern Goldfinch or be murdered, I'll tell you that.
- 21 I miss you.
- 22 I miss you, too.
- 23 It's so strange, earlier today I ended a sentence with a preposition and you weren't there to correct my grammar.
- 24 I'm sorry you had to go through that.
- 25 In fact, that's when I started to really miss you.
- 26 You know you just split an infinitive.
- 27 Did I?
- 28 Are you gonna teach me a lesson?
- 29 I am.
- 30 It is naughty to put an adverb between the word "to" and the verb stem.
- 31 What are you gonna do about it?
- 32 I'm going to admonish you.
- 33 Vigorously?
- 34 That's the only kind of admonishing I do.
- 35 Our whole universe was in a hot, dense state Then nearly billion years ago expansion started... Wait! The Earth began to cool The autotrophs began to drool, Neanderthals developed tools We built the Wall We built the pyramids Math, Science, History, unraveling the mystery That all started with a big bang Bang! How's Sheldon doing with Amy gone?
- 36 Well, the last three nights I've had to take him to get a haircut, to the train store, and to a Walgreens in Arcadia where they still have the "good ibuprofen." Now ask me how I'm doing with Amy gone.
- 37 How are you doing with... Shut up.
- 38 If you'd like, we can help you out.

- 39 Oh, that would be great.
- 40 I mean, not me, I've got a wife and child, but this one posts video of himself flossing on Instagram.
- 41 It was a tutorial.
- 42 And yes, I'm happy to keep Sheldon company.
- 43 Great. Tonight he wants to look at ladders at Home Depot.
- 44 Oh, why does he need a ladder?
- 45 He doesn't; he just likes looking at them.
- 46 Bring a book.
- 47 Gentlemen.
- 48 You may remember Dr. Nowitzki, She's back at Caltech for her postdoc.
- 49 - Hello.
- 50 - Hello.
- 51 - Hi.
- 52 Oh, let me bring a chair for you.
- 53 Oh, thanks.
- 54 Dr. Nowitzki's going to tell me about the work she did at CERN.
- 55 And she brought me this duty-free Toblerone.
- 56 Oh. I love those.
- 57 Let's sit somewhere else.
- 58 What just happened?
- 59 A stranger just lured Sheldon away with a candy bar.
- 60 Wait, isn't she the grad student that used to follow him around?
- 61 Oh, yeah.
- 62 Back before he hit puberty and grew man parts.
- 63 So what do you guys think that's about?
- 64 Knowing Sheldon, nothing.
- 65 So, tell me about your scalar dark energy experiment.
- 66 Not 'til you tell me about your latest paper on quantum loop theory.
- 67 Oh. You must be one of those dessert before dinner people.
- 68 (laughs)
- 69 He just made her laugh, something's wrong.
- 70 Do you see the way she's looking at him?
- 71 Yeah. Like Bernadette used to look at me.
- 72 I keep telling you, close the bathroom door.
- 73 Ah, did you see that?
- 74 She just touched his hand and he didn't swat it away.
- 75 What is happening?
- 76 Okay, the simplest explanation is usually the right one.
- 77 Which is?
- 78 That ain't Sheldon.
- 79 Not only did they eat together, Leonard said he made her laugh.
- 80 That's nothing, Howie said she touched his hand.
- 81 Did he Purell?
- 82 No.
- 83 I cannot believe Leonard mentioned the Toblerone but left that part out.

- 84 Should we call Amy?
- 85 I don't know; we shouldn't worry her if it's nothing.
- 86 I guess we could wait till we have more information about this girl. Yeah.
- 87 (sighs) Do you think living with Amy has somehow stirred up Sheldon's... sexual appetite?
- 88 Ugh.
- 89 How can you think that?
- 90 Why would you even put those words together?
- 91 All right, then we agree.
- 92 He's not making any moves, it's this Dr. Ramona chick.
- 93 Nowitzki.
- 94 I Googled her, she's pretty cute.
- 95 Really?
- 96 All I got from Leonard was the Toblerone bar had nuts.
- 97 (gasps)
- 98 And get this, I saw an articulating ladder with dual-leg leveling, which delivers stability and adaptability to uneven terrain.
- 99 Sounds like a big night.
- 100 Yeah.
- 101 Raj made the funniest joke, he said, "Which is the best ladder to use to hang myself?" (laughs)
- 102 So you're keeping busy?
- 103 You're not lonely?
- 104 Oh, not at all.
- 105 I've had outings with Leonard and Raj in the evening, and—oh, I had lunch with Dr. Nowitzki.
- 106 Who's he?
- 107 Oh, Dr. Nowitzki is a woman.
- 108 Oh.
- 109 Really?
- 110 Uh, when did you meet her?
- 111 Many years ago.
- 112 Back when she was a grad student.
- 113 She's always been a huge fan of my work, and now she's doing research at Caltech.
- 114 Huge fan, you say?
- 115 Yes.
- 116 I think you'd like her.
- 117 She's extremely intelligent, just like you.
- 118 Unlike you, she's tall, blonde and used to be an Olympic swimmer.
- 119 That's terrific.
- 120 I'll call you right back.
- 121 (Skype rings)
- 122 Oh, hey, Amy.
- 123 I gave you one job!
- 124 Keep an eye on him.

- 125 How hard is that?
- 126 We thought you meant not letting him run out into traffic.
- 127 Which he only did once.
- 128 Yeah.
- 129 Why didn't you tell me?
- 130 We didn't want you to worry.
- 131 Should I worry?
- 132 No.
- 133 Come on, it's Sheldon.
- 134 Nothing is gonna happen.
- 135 That's what you said to me when I started dating him.
- 136 And then five years later, bingo-bango, something happened.
- 137 Yeah, but you're gonna be back in three months.
- 138 (sighs)
- 139 You don't get it.
- 140 I've been smacking that ketchup bottle for a long time.
- 141 All she's got to do is tip it over and point it at her fries.
- 142 Well, what do you want us to do?
- 143 I don't know.
- 144 Might be the New Jersey talking, but this Nowitzki broad needs to disappear.
- 145 That's ridiculous.
- 146 As far as we know, all that happened is two scientists had lunch.
- 147 Yeah, but one of those scientists is a tall, blonde Olympic swimmer.
- 148 Come on.
- 149 Looks don't matter to Sheldon.
- 150 Because he only has eyes for you.
- 151 Nice try.
- 152 Thanks.
- 153 I was scrambling.
- 154 It's unbelievable.
- 155 Sheldon has lunch with another woman and somehow my wife yells at me.
- 156 Penny laid into me, too.
- 157 Apparently, I'm overly fixated on premium Swiss chocolate bars.
- 158 Can you even eat those things?
- 159 If I take a Lactaid a half-hour before and some Pepto right after.
- 160 Sounds like a lot of work.
- 161 Yeah.
- 162 Eh, I'm worth it.
- 163 Guys.
- 164 Focus.
- 165 Should we do something about Nowitzki?
- 166 Like what?
- 167 Uh, well, she's single, so if somebody else asks her out and she says yes, then we know she's not into Sheldon.
- 168 I'll do it.

- 169 No offense, Stuart, but Th-Th-the woman's a doctor.
- 170 So?
- 171 Doctors like me.
- 172 Whenever I see mine he calls in a bunch of other doctors to have a look.
- 173 She's not that kind of doctor.
- 174 STUART: Oh.
- 175 Well, her loss.
- 176 I've been called a genuine medical oddity.
- 177 Actually, I was going to suggest me.
- 178 Great.
- 179 Anybody's better than, mmm.
- 180 Excuse me.
- 181 They took out my spleen and gallbladder, not my feelings.
- 182 (sighs)
- 183 (clears throat)
- 184 Dr. Nowitzki.
- 185 Good to see you.
- 186 Good to see you, too.
- 187 May I join you?
- 188 No.
- 189 Good to see you.
- 190 We should call Guinness, that might be a record.
- 191 She's clearly having a working lunch and preferred to eat alone.
- 192 Dr. Cooper, over here.
- 193 I could have made her very happy.
- 194 You kept walking.
- 195 I think you did.
- 196 Do you really think there's reason to worry?
- 197 Yeah, she's definitely going after Sheldon.
- 198 I made a play for her and she shot me down.
- 199 All right, well, that doesn't prove anything.
- 200 Yeah, there's a million reasons a woman would shoot Raj down.
- 201 Like, really, a million?
- 202 Fine, hundreds.
- 203 Thank you.
- 204 The point is this could be nothing and we are all overreacting.
- 205 Hey, everybody.
- 206 This is my friend, Dr. Nowitzki.
- 207 Hi.
- 208 ALL: Hi.
- 209 We just went swimming.
- 210 And you actually got in a pool?
- 211 I was scared, but I told myself it's just a big bathtub.
- 212 Then I got scared again 'cause there are all these strangers in my bathtub.
- 213 I was proud of him— a lot of people don't put their face in the water on the first day.

- 214 Well, I was hiding from a bee, but it still counts.
- 215 Can I just squeeze in here?
- 216 So, Sheldon, have you talked to Amy?
- 217 Yes, we Skyped this morning and I'm sure I'll check in with her before I go to sleep.
- 218 RAMONA: Sheldon talks about her all the time.
- 219 I can't wait to meet her.
- 220 That is true.
- 221 She keeps asking how long Amy's going to be gone.
- 222 Uh, so, Ramona, tell us about yourself.
- 223 Do you, do you have a boyfriend?
- 224 Leonard, your wife is sitting right here.
- 225 What are you doing?
- 226 No, my work doesn't leave me a lot of time for relationships.
- 227 I think you made that very clear.
- 228 She was part of the American team at CERN.
- 229 I had a front row seat when they detected the Higgs boson.
- 230 SHELDON: Do you know, I've corresponded with Peter Higgs.
- 231 Would you like to see some of his letters?
- 232 Absolutely.
- 233 I'll get them.
- 234 Well, hang on, I'll come with you.
- 235 Oh, fun.
- 236 Like a play date.
- 237 (door closes)
- 238 Okay, correct me if I'm wrong, but isn't that exactly what we were supposed to stop from happening?
- 239 I threw my body at them, what else did you want me to do?
- 240 You think you should call Amy?
- 241 You got fingers and a mouth, you call her.
- 242 Here you go.
- 243 Are these all from Peter Higgs?
- 244 Hmm?
- 245 Oh, no, no, no.
- 246 They're from many famous people.
- 247 See?
- 248 Oh, like this one.
- 249 This is from Patrick Stewart.
- 250 It says if I come to his house again, I get to meet his dogs.
- 251 (Skype rings)
- 252 Oh, excuse me.
- 253 Hello, Sheldon.
- 254 Oh, hello, Amy.
- 255 I was missing you again.
- 256 I miss you, too.
- 257 Hey, this is good timing.

- 258 Remember that Dr. Nowitzki I told you about?
- 259 She's right here.
- 260 Sh-she's what?
- 261 Hello.
- 262 Hi.
- 263 So nice to meet you.
- 264 Uh-huh.
- 265 (phone rings)
- 266 Hang on.
- 267 Hello.
- 268 A little late, Leonard.
- 269 I'm sorry.
- 270 What is Leonard doing calling you at this hour?
- 271 It's not important.
- 272 I must tell you, that seems a little inappropriate.
- 273 Don't you agree?
- 274 I do.
- 275 See?
- 276 We both think so.
- 277 All right, this is making me crazy.
- 278 Somebody's got to go over there.
- 279 You got feet and legs, you do it.
- 280 Will you with me?
- 281 To do what?
- 282 Shake a can of nickels at them?
- 283 We're being ridiculous.
- 284 There's no way a woman that attractive is trying to seduce Sheldon Cooper.
- 285 You done trying to make yourself feel better?
- 286 No.
- 287 I haven't played the race card yet.
- 288 Hey, I hate to break up the party, but Amy says I'm tired and have to go to bed.
- 289 It was nice seeing everybody.
- 290 Thank you for dinner.
- 291 Sure. Our pleasure.
- 292 Whatever.
- 293 Walk me to my car?
- 294 Of course.
- 295 We'll all go.
- 296 Excuse me.
- 297 Pardon.
- 298 I just need to... yeah.
- 299 (laughing): That was fun.
- 300 It was like Mario Kart.
- 301 Bye.

- 302 We need to talk.
- 303 Wh- Is this about Leonard and Amy?
- 304 I don't like it either.
- 305 Okay, I know you don't have a lot of experience with women, but Ramona seems to have a romantic interest in you.
- 306 That doesn't make any sense.
- 307 She knows I have a girlfriend.
- 308 Well, sometimes women don't care.
- 309 Sometimes it makes them want a guy even more.
- 310 That may be true, but Dr. Nowitzki's just a friend.
- 311 In fact, I wouldn't have even noticed she's a woman if she hadn't worn that bathing suit that highlighted her bosom.
- 312 Okay.
- 313 Um...
- 314 (clears throat) ...let's try this.
- 315 Think of yourself as one of those limited edition toys people like to collect.
- 316 I already do.
- 317 Well, then you get it.
- 318 (gasps)
- 319 Because there's only one of me, I'm more valuable.
- 320 Right.
- 321 Although, Amy's already taken me out of my package and played with me
- 322 Let's forget the toy thing, okay?
- 323 Um, maybe...
- 324 Penny, look.
- 325 I appreciate your concern, but I don't think that's what's happening.
- 326 All right.
- 327 What do you think is happening?
- 328 I think Dr. Nowitzki is a friendly colleague.
- 329 I think you and Leonard need to see a marriage counselor.
- 330 And I need to update my résumé to include swimming as a special skill.
- 331 Don't look at me like that, I tried.
- 332 (knocking at door)
- 333 Hey, did you eat yet?
- 334 Uh, breakfast yes, lunch no.
- 335 I did have a cough drop, but that really rides the line between sucking and eating.
- 336 Well, perfect.
- 337 I made us sandwiches.
- 338 How thoughtful.
- 339 Thank you.
- 340 Mmm.
- 341 No big deal, I enjoy spending time with you.
- 342 And I with you.
- 343 Question: are you seeking a romantic relationship with me?

- 344 What if I were?
- 345 Well, that would raise a number of problems.
- 346 We're colleagues.
- 347 I'm currently in a relation...
- 348 Excuse me a moment.
- 349 (seat belt bell chimes)
- 350 (laughs)
- 351 Amy.
- 352 Amy.
- 353 (knocks again)
- 354 (knocks again)
- 355 Amy.
- 356 Will you marry me?

# 3 The Big Bang Theory Season 11

## 3.1 Episode 01: The Proposal Proposal

- 1 Previously on The Big Bang Theory...
- 2 I was offered a summer research fellowship at Princeton.
- 3 A fine institution.
- 4 The place where Albert Einstein taught, and where Leonard got his PhD, so it may have gone downhill.
- 5 Gentlemen, you may remember Dr. Nowitzki.
- 6 She's back at Caltech for her postdoc.
- 7 - Hello.
- 8 GUYS: Hi.
- 9 Question: are you seeking a romantic relationship with me?
- 10 What if I were?
- 11 Well, that would raise a number of problems.
- 12 We're colleagues, I'm currently in a relation...
- 13 (knocking)
- 14 SHELDON: Amy?
- 15 Amy.
- 16 (knocking continues)
- 17 Amy?
- 18 Will you marry me?
- 19 (ringtone playing)
- 20 One moment, please.
- 21 Really, you're going to answer that right now?
- 22 It's Leonard.
- 23 I don't want to be rude.
- 24 Hello?
- 25 Oh, hey, where you been?
- 26 We've been calling you for hours.

- 27 Oh, I'm sorry, my phone was on "airplane" mode.
- 28 Why?
- 29 Because I was on an airplane.
- 30 Hey, put him on speaker.
- 31 - Yeah.
- 32 - Hey, where are you?
- 33 I came to Princeton to see Amy.
- 34 It's a funny story, actually.
- 35 I was having lunch with Dr. Nowitzki, and she kissed me.
- 36 - Excuse me?
- 37 - What?
- 38 I'm sorry?
- 39 And in that moment, I realized that Amy was the only woman I ever wanted to kiss for the rest of my life.
- 40 So I came to New Jersey to ask her to marry me.
- 41 Oh, that's so sweet.
- 42 (chuckling)
- 43 - Sheldon...
- 44 - Yeah, although there was one man whose blessing I needed first.
- 45 I've thought about it, and I really want to spend the rest of my life with Amy.
- 46 Do I have your blessing?
- 47 Well, Sheldon... ...
- 48 I think you should make her finger like Saturn and put a ring on it.
- 49 You asked Stephen Hawking and not her father?
- 50 SHELDON: Stephen Hawking's a genius.
- 51 If he said no, I wasn't gonna waste my time on her father.
- 52 But you did ask my father?
- 53 I did.
- 54 He said yes.
- 55 Although, not in a robot voice, so it wasn't nearly as cool.
- 56 Okav.
- 57 Oh, my God, I can't believe you guys are engaged.
- 58 We're not engaged, yet.
- 59 She's taking forever to answer.
- 60 Because you're on the phone!
- 61 We'll call you back.
- 62 (ringtone chiming)
- 63 SHELDON: She said yes.
- 64 Yay!
- 65 Congratulations!
- 66 Our whole universe was in a hot, dense state Then nearly billion years ago expansion started...
- 67 Wait!
- 68 The Earth began to cool The autotrophs began to drool, Neanderthals developed tools We built the Wall We built the pyramids Math, Science, History,

unraveling the mystery That all started with a big bang Bang! Mother, I have some good news to share.

- 69 We're engaged.
- 70 I am so happy for you two, but I'm not surprised.
- 71 I've been praying for this.
- 72 Well, God had nothing to do with it.
- 73 It happened because I was kissing another woman, and it made me realize I wanted to be with Amy.
- 74 More than one woman was interested in you?
- 75 I might have prayed a little too hard.
- 76 Wait, oh, and I just...
- 77 I want to let you know right now that we are not getting married in a church.
- 78 That's all right, Sheldon.
- 79 Anywhere Jesus is a church.
- 80 Well, he won't be at our wedding.
- 81 He's in my heart, so if I'm there, he'll be there.
- 82 Okay, well, then, he's your plus-one.
- 83 You don't get to bring anyone else.
- 84 That's fine.
- 85 Love you.
- 86 Love you, too.
- 87 Bye.
- 88 Lord, thank you.
- 89 Even though you can do anything, that was mighty impressive.
- 90 We're engaged.
- 91 Oh, my God, that's amazing!
- 92 Wait, uh, tell me everything.
- 93 Well, Dr.
- 94 Nowitzki was kissing me...
- 95 Okay, you can stop leading with that part of the story.
- 96 Well, congratulations.
- 97 I'm so happy for you two.
- 98 Hold on, I have to tell Bernadette.
- 99 Hey, Bernie, guess what?
- 100 Sheldon and Amy got engaged.
- 101 Can you believe it?
- 102 Oh, my God.
- 103 I cannot believe it.
- 104 She's so happy...
- 105 I think she's crying.
- 106 Do you think Sheldon's gonna want some weird Star Trek wedding?
- 107 I don't know.
- 108 Well, Leonard could barely finish the words "Doctor Who wedding cake" before I shut that down hard.
- 109 Mm-hmm.

- 110 Are you listening to me?
- 111 Yeah, you're mean to Leonard.
- 112 I heard vou.
- 113 Is everything okay?
- 114 Look, I'm gonna tell you something, but you can't freak out, because I'm already freaking out.
- 115 Oh, my God, what is it?
- 116 I'm pregnant again.
- 117 Wha...
- 118 Interesting.
- 119 Howard's gonna lose his mind.
- 120 Wait, you haven't told him yet?
- 121 No.
- 122 You told me first?
- 123 Oh, Bernie!
- 124 This wasn't supposed to happen—we were careful.
- 125 Yeah, I didn't even think you could get pregnant while you were breast-feeding.
- 126 Well, guess what?
- 127 You can.
- 128 Okay, look, look, this is a good thing.
- 129 Halley's gonna have a little brother or sister to play with.
- 130 I guess that would be pretty cute.
- 131 And, you, know, I was a surprise to my parents, and my dad said it was the best thing that ever happened to them.
- 132 Okay.
- 133 Maybe this baby actually is a blessing.
- 134 Oh, my God, honey, of course it is.
- 135 (exhales)
- 136 How am I pregnant again?
- 137 Yeah, what were you thinking?
- 138 All right, I'm all checked in to my flight.
- 139 Well, I'm sad you're leaving.
- 140 Why'd you only book a flight for one day?
- 141 I came here to propose.
- 142 If you'd said no, I wouldn't want to stick around looking at your stupid face
- 143 Now, mind you, your face is only stupid in the "no" version of the story.
- 144 But I said yes, so I get a lifetime of this.
- 145 Yes, you do, smart face.
- 146 Why don't you stay a few extra days?
- 147 Well, I don't have any other clothes.
- 148 We'll get you some.
- 149 Oh, I don't know, I'm pretty particular.
- 150 Well, there's a comic book store less than a mile from here.
- 151 Perfect, let's go shopping.

- 152 Oh, um, and I'm having dinner with some colleagues tonight.
- 153 I'm sure they'd love to meet you.
- 154 (groans)
- 155 Come on, what do you say?
- 156 Aw, you're nagging me.
- 157 It's like we're already married.
- 158 Is that a yes or a no?
- 159 Geez, save some for the honeymoon.
- 160 Look at Nowitzki over there.
- 161 LEONARD: I can't believe she tried to steal Sheldon from Amy.
- 162 You know what?
- 163 I'm gonna go there and tell her that they're engaged now and that her little plan didn't work.
- 164 Because you're sticking up for Sheldon, or because you're still mad she rejected you?
- 165 Too far away, can't hear you.
- 166 Hello, Ramona.
- 167 Mm.
- 168 Hello.
- 169 Why are you sitting by yourself?
- 170 Oh, that's right, Sheldon's in New Jersey being engaged to Amy.
- 171 I heard.
- 172 Now that Sheldon's out of the picture, I could give you one more chance to go out with me.
- 173 Nope, I'm good.
- 174 You sure?
- 175 I will not ask again.
- 176 I sincerely hope not.
- 177 Very well.
- 178 I'm going to leave before this gets awkward.
- 179 Hey.
- 180 Want me to make dinner?
- 181 Uh, sure, but first, why don't you have a seat?
- 182 There's something I need to show you.
- 183 Ooh, if it's how to make dinner, that'd be great.
- 184 (sighs)
- 185 Is this a...
- 186 pregnancy test?
- 187 Yes.
- 188 That means...
- 189 positive?
- 190 Yes.
- 191 No.
- 192 Yes.
- 193 (giggling nervously): N- No.
- 194 Yes.

- 195 (high-pitched): No!
- 196 How could this even happen?
- 197 Uh, w- we were careful.
- 198 - Well, it did.
- 199 - No!
- 200 - Yes!
- 201 Yes!
- 202 - No!
- 203 No!
- 204 - No!
- 205 No!
- 206 - Yes!
- 207 Yes!
- 208 Yes!
- 209 Okay!
- 210 Okay!
- 211 Okay!
- 212 Well, w-what are we gonna do?
- 213 What do you mean what are we gonna do?
- 214 We're gonna have another baby.
- 215 - No!
- 216 No!
- 217 - Stop that!
- 218 - Yes!
- 219 - I'm trying!
- 220 Look, I know it's scary, but...
- 221 we're both responsible adults, we can do this.
- 222 You really think so?
- 223 (crying): No!
- 224 Hey, Stuart.
- 225 Oh, hey, Raj.
- 226 What can I help you with?
- 227 I need to buy an engagement gift.
- 228 Well, you came to the wrong place.
- 229 It's for Sheldon and Amy.
- 230 No way!
- 231 They're engaged?
- 232 Yeah.
- 233 Well, that's exciting news.
- 234 (chuckles)
- 235 Who would've thought Sheldon and Amy would be the next two to tie the knot?
- 236 Tell me about it.
- 237 I'm the one who caught the bouquet at Leonard and Penny's wedding.
- 238 Okay.
- 239 Uh...

- 240 you know, they might like this.
- 241 Superman and Wonder Woman, it's kind of romantic.
- 242 Hmm.
- 243 You know what?
- 244 Why am I buying them a gift?
- 245 They have love.
- 246 Screw them and their happiness.
- 247 What do you have for someone who's bitter and alone?
- 248 Literally everything.
- 249 Sheldon, these are the heads of my research team.
- 250 Oh. hello.
- 251 AMY: Dr. Zane, Dr. Harris, this is my fiancé, Dr.
- 252 Sheldon Cooper.
- 253 That's the first time I've said that and it kind of gave me the goose bumps.
- 254 (chuckles)
- 255 Dr. Cooper, we are so excited to meet you.
- 256 SHELDON: Oh.
- 257 Well, that's very kind of you.
- 258 If you'd like, I could autograph your menus after dinner, yeah?
- 259 But I better not see those on eBay.
- 260 (laughs)
- 261 No, no, no, we're just excited to meet the man who landed this brilliant woman here.
- 262 (chuckles softly)
- 263 SHELDON: Oh!
- 264 That wasn't hard, she threw herself at me.
- 265 Now, getting the universe to show me its naughty bits, that-that took some doing.
- 266 Sheldon's a physicist.
- 267 Oh.
- 268 Oh, that's nice.
- 269 Amy, I recently read your paper on lesions in the olfactory receptors in the brain.
- 270 It was inspired.
- 271 Oh, well, I guess it didn't stink.
- 272 But if it did, that rat wouldn't have known it.
- 273 (laughter)
- 274 I'm sorry, I'm sure you don't want to sit here and listen to a bunch of work talk.
- 275 Oh, no, I love it.
- 276 No, but let's talk about work.
- 277 Amy's work, my work.
- 278 Yeah, why don't we start with my work?
- 279 Actually, I do have a question for Dr. Cooper.
- 280 When Amy first told you about her approach to synaptic tracing, did you think it was gonna revolutionize the field?

- 281 (stammers)
- 282 Really?
- 283 That's your question?
- 284 What are you, Entertainment Tonight? You know what?
- 285 Let me give you a better question.
- 286 Here, um, "Dr. Cooper, "I heard you were working on a top-secret project "for the U.S. military.
- 287 Why don't you tell us about that?" See, that's a great question.
- 288 Okay, what was that like?
- 289 Oh, I can't tell you that, it's top-secret.
- 290 Boy, that was exhausting.
- 291 You know, no offense, but your colleagues were pretty rude.
- 292 Really, they were rude?
- 293 Yes.
- 294 They just kept talking about you and how great you are, no matter how many times I brought me up.
- 295 You know, these are my colleagues and they want to talk about my work.
- 296 Why does that bother you so much?
- 297 Because I was there.
- 298 It's like having Optimus Prime over to dinner and not asking him to turn into a truck.
- 299 You know what, Sheldon?
- 300 You're not always the smartest person in every room.
- 301 You may not even be the smartest person in this room.
- 302 Oh, I am sorry.
- 303 What, is Neil deGrasse Tyson hiding behind the couch?
- 304 'Cause if he is, he's not that smart, it's pretty dusty back there.
- 305 Hey, where are you going?
- 306 I'm storming off to my room.
- 307 Well, then where am I supposed to storm off to?
- 308 Well, you're so smart, why don't you figure it out?
- 309 (door closes)
- 310 Is there another bedroom?
- 311 Perhaps a-a den?
- 312 So, how are you guys doing with all the new events in your womb?
- 313 Good, you know?
- 314 Obviously, it was a surprise.
- 315 There was some crying and some yelling.
- 316 Some suggestion of make-up s\*x that did not go over well, even though it's not like we can get more pregnant.
- 317 But then we realized that it's a gift, in the sense that we didn't ask for it, and we may not have chosen it...
- 318 And we already have one.
- 319 You know, whenever I find a top I like, I always go back and get a second one in a different color.
- 320 Which I hope is not the case with your baby.

- 321 I know you guys are freaked out, but you're great parents, and if you ever need help, we are here for you.
- 322 Yeah, anything at all, just ask.
- 323 Ooh, you know what you could do?
- 324 You could have a baby, too.
- 325 I'm sorry, what?
- 326 No, that's a great idea, we could go through it together.
- 327 Wouldn't that be fun?
- 328 (chuckles)
- 329 You guys were just saying how freaked out and miserable you are.
- 330 I say lots of crazy things.
- 331 I'm pregnant and hormonal.
- 332 Do it!
- 333 Have a baby, do it!
- 334 Come on, it'd be so cute, our kids playing together?
- 335 What do you say, why don't you two hit the old mattress and whip up a family?
- 336 Okay, we're not gonna have a baby just to make you guys feel better.
- 337 Yeah, if we're gonna have a baby it's gonna be when we are ready, or when I'm certain Penny is gonna leave me.
- 338 Exactly.
- 339 They're my friends, and I should be happy for them.
- 340 A-And I'm trying, but all I feel is this gnawing, empty sensation in my gut.
- 341 I had that once.
- 342 Turned out it was a tapeworm.
- 343 Cool.
- 344 Uh...
- 345 It's just...
- 346 it's hard talking to my other friends about this, but I knew you would understand.
- 347 Why is that?
- 348 Because you and I are both alone, which is actually kind of comforting, because at least we can be alone together.
- 349 Mm.
- 350 This is-this is awkward.
- 351 I, um, I was actually gonna close up a little early to night 'cause I have a date.
- 352 Really?
- 353 Yeah.
- 354 (clears throat)
- 355 Forgive me if I'm having trouble being happy for you.
- 356 Don't be silly, I'm loving your pain.
- 357 Is this how our marriage is going to be?
- 358 Sometimes people will be more interested in talking to her than to me?
- 359 Are you sitting in a bathroom?

- 360 Yes.
- 361 I needed a place to storm off to and it was all that was available.
- 362 Fine.
- 363 But if I hear a flush, this conversation is over.
- 364 Those people were in the presence of a world-class mind, and all they wanted to talk about was their own nonsense.
- 365 Can you see the irony in that statement?
- 366 How about now?
- 367 How about now?
- 368 I'll wait.
- 369 LEONARD: Uh...
- 370 Surprise.
- 371 Oh, crap, is it our anniversary?
- 372 No.
- 373 Wait.
- 374 No.
- 375 No.
- 376 All right, so what are we celebrating?
- 377 Well, you know, Bernadette and Howard are pregnant again, and Amy and Sheldon are getting married.
- 378 I didn't want you to feel left out.
- 379 Ah.
- 380 Left out?
- 381 Well, Bernadette has to grow a baby inside of her, and Amy has to marry one.
- 382 My life is great.
- 383 So do you not want the cake?
- 384 Try and take it away, see what happens.
- 385 Oh, crap, it is our anniversary.
- 386 Happy anniversary!
- 387 Amy.
- 388 There's something I need to say to you.
- 389 I'm listening.
- 390 I've been thinking about the Avengers.
- 391 I believe that.
- 392 But I don't think that's something you needed to say to me.
- 393 I realized that Iron Man is great.
- 394 And also, that Captain America is great.
- 395 And sometimes, Iron Man is in a Captain America movie, and he's not mad it's not an Iron Man movie.
- 396 You know, he can fly in, give the audience a thrill, and then fly away.
- 397 And that should've been me tonight.
- 398 I should've been the delightful cameo in your movie.
- 399 Thank you, Sheldon.
- 400 Instead, I was like the Hulk, and I...
- 401 Okay, please stop talking about the Avengers.

- 402 Anyway.
- 403 I'm proud of you.
- 404 And I'm going to try to do a better job of sharing the spotlight because we're a team.
- 405 You know?
- 406 Much like t-the Dodgers.
- 407 If they had superpowers, and fought crime.
- 408 And Thor was in them.
- 409 Sheldon, I know this isn't easy, but you'll have a whole lifetime to practice.
- 410 I-It could take that long, I'm really bad at it.
- 411 You know, maybe, um, I should start right now, and go back to Pasadena and let you have this experience to yourself.
- 412 You just want to go back 'cause that's where every body makes a fuss over vou.
- 413 You know, your colleagues are right, you are brilliant.
- 414 Hello.
- 415 - Hey.
- 416 - Hey.
- 417 - Amy, welcome back.
- 418 Oh, l-let me see the ring.
- 419 Ooh, nice.
- 420 H-Hey, her eyes are up there.
- 421 I-Is that the woman who kissed Sheldon?
- 422 Uh...
- 423 Could be.
- 424 Hard to say.
- 425 Tell us about Princeton.
- 426 Excuse me for a minute.
- 427 Not- well, we'll catch up later.
- 428 This is going to be the biggest smackdown since my Aunt Noopur showed up at the family reunion wearing the same sari as my cousin Sruti.
- 429 Dr. Nowitzki?
- 430 Oh.
- 431 Dr. Fowler.
- 432 Um, hello.
- 433 Thank you.
- 434 Thank you so much.

## 3.2 Episode 02: The Retraction Reaction

- 1 Uh, One dumpling left.
- 2 Who wants it?
- 3 Maybe you should offer it to the pregnant lady.
- 4 And that would be...
- 5 Me, Sheldon.
- 6 I'm obviously pregnant.

- 7 Well, you never said it to my face.
- 8 And the last time I assumed a woman was pregnant, it did not go over well.
- 9 Yeah, I'm still mad at you.
- 10 (clears throat)
- 11 You were drinking water instead of wine.
- 12 What was I supposed to think?
- 13 KOOTHRAPPALI: Sheldon's right.
- 14 I would never ask a woman if she was pregnant, unless she tells me or I see a human being wiggling out of her.
- 15 Well, Sheldon, I'm pregnant.
- 16 Congratulations.
- 17 How far along are you?
- 18 About three months.
- 19 Only three?
- 20 Good gravy, how many babies are in there?
- 21 Okay, let's talk about something that won't infuriate my pregnant wife.
- 22 I read an interesting fact about elephants.
- 23 Try again.
- 24 Oh, I've got something.
- 25 I'm being interviewed on public radio this Friday.
- 26 Oh, cool.
- 27 How come?
- 28 Uh, the university is trying to get more funding for the physics department, so they want me to go out and talk it up.
- 29 Really?
- 30 You?
- 31 (whispering indistinctly)
- 32 Well, they picked the right person for the job.
- 33 Thank you.
- 34 I think he bought it.
- 35 Our whole universe was in a hot, dense state Then nearly billion years ago expansion started...
- 36 Wait!
- 37 The Earth began to cool The autotrophs began to drool, Neanderthals developed tools We built the Wall We built the pyramids Math, Science, History, unraveling the mystery That all started with a big bang Bang! Hi, I'm Ira Flatow, and this is Science Friday. Joining me today is my guest physicist, Dr.
- 38 Leonard Hofstadter, to talk about all of the exciting research they're doing at Cal Tech.
- 39 Thank you for having me.
- 40 Whoa...
- 41 (chuckles)
- 42 Could never get used to hearing myself in headphones.
- 43 Is that really how I sound?
- 44 (chuckles)
- 45 It is.

- 46 It is.
- 47 (deep voice): That is good to know.
- 48 I told him his voice was annoying.
- 49 He didn't want to listen.
- 50 Hey...
- 51 You're saying it's not?
- 52 Just...
- 53 hey.
- 54 FLATOW: So, it has been five years since the discovery of the Higgs boson—what's the next big thing gonna be?
- 55 Wow, that's hard to say.
- 56 There's so much going on.
- 57 We've been collecting tons of data that could revolutionize the way we understand the universe.
- 58 For instance, there's a particle called a squark, which could prove supersymmetry.
- 59 That is interesting.
- 60 Have you found it?
- 61 - What, the squark?
- 62 - Yes.
- 63 No. no.
- 64 Wouldn't that be exciting?
- 65 But we're also looking for the selectron, the gluino and the neutralino.
- 66 - Well, and have you found that?
- 67 - No.
- 68 LEONARD: Another fun sidenote—I went to high school with a girl named Theresa Gluino, but it didn't cost billionto findher.
- 69 Shewassmoking behind the gym.
- 70 (laughs)
- 71 So, what have you found?
- 72 Uh, nothing, actually.
- 73 Shouldhebesayingthat?
- 74 Uh, probably not.
- 75 Yeah, this is public radio.
- 76 Doesn'the realize that dozens of people might hear him?
- 77-But Iremain confident.
- 78-We've got the best equipment and the best minds all working on it.
- 79 Okay, soundslikehe's backontrack.
- 80 LEONARD: Although, somedays I'm, like, ugh...
- 81-we've spent somuch money. Why haven't we found anything? What are we doing? Oh, boy.
- 82 There's Leonard.
- 83 I'll be the 'shaving arough day.
- 84 (chuckles)
- 85-Let's just try to be supportive.
- 86 Supportive?
- 87-Hepublicly maligned the love of my life, Lady Physics.

- 88-You might not want to mention that to Lady Fianc'ee.
- 89 Hey, guys.
- 90 KOOTHRAPPALI : Hey, how's itgoing?
- 91 (scoffs)
- 92-What?
- 93 Yougot something to say?
- 94 Ithink I just said it.
- 95 P F F.
- 96 Pff!
- 97 Look, I Iwas just speaking the truth.
- 98-We'rescientists--isn't that what we're supposed to do?
- 99 Oh, what would you know about the truth?
- 100-Youthought Phantom Menace was "not halfbad." It oldy out hat inconfidence!
- 101 Okay, calmdown.
- 102 Every body just coolit.
- 103 No, let'emgo.
- 104-If we get lucky, may be one of the mwill start crying.
- 105-Uh, can we just drop this and have lunch like a dults?
- 106 -Fine.
- 107 -Verywell.
- 108 -Leonard?
- 109 -What?
- 110 Pff!
- 111 (knockondoor)
- 112 Youready for lunch?
- 113 Oh, one second.
- 114 Ooh, someone's gotal ot of fancy new labequipment.
- 115 Iknow.
- 116-The university has been throwing money at mystudy.
- 117-With any luck, the re'll be a brain disease with myname on it.
- 118 Fingerscrossed.
- 119-Which is ironic, because if you had Fowler's palsy, you wouldn't be able to cross your fingers.
- 120-I'm surprised Sheldon's not upher eplaying with all your new toys.
- 121 Actually, I haven't told him about it.
- 122-We've been getting somuch more funding than physics, he's been a little sensitive.
- 123-Soyou'rejust gonnahide your success from him?
- 124 Iknow.
- 125 AmIterrible?
- 126 -No.
- 127 Idothat, too.
- 128 Howhethoughtmy company retreat was in Boise?
- 129 Itwasin Tahiti.
- 130 That's such are lief.
- 131-Imean, part of mew as worried I was being unfair to Sheldon.
- 132 Take that part of your self and hide it away.
- 133 Justlike I did with last year's bonuscheckthat I" didn't get." (knock ondoor)

- 134 Ms. Davis, youwanted to seeme?
- 135 Yes, Dr. Hof stadter, comeon in.
- 136 ShouldIsitorstand?
- 137-I'm not used to being called into the dean's of fice.
- 138 Please, sit.
- 139-Ihave to say I'm a little nervous.
- 140 Youshould be.
- 141-Look, Iknow Iscrewedup, but it was only one interview.
- 142-How much damage could it have caused?
- 143-Would you like for metore adyout hee-mails from donors as kingwhy are they giving us money if physics is a described by the contraction of the property of the contraction of the
- 144 Ididn't sayit was a dead end.
- 145-Ijusts aid that Iwas worried it might be.
- 146-Soif I justs a id I was worried you might not have a job next week, how would you feel?
- 147 Light headed, and gladyouasked metosit down.
- 148 Okay, justtellmewhatIcando.
- 149-I'm gonnane edy out omake a statement saying that you misspoke, and that you're confident the physics community of the physics of the p
- 150-Youwant metolie.
- 151 Look, Dr. Hofstadter, I'm counting on you.
- 152-Ithink that you are the smartest physicist at this university.
- 153 Really?
- 154 See?
- 155 Lies.
- 156 They're not that hard.
- 157 (door opens)
- 158 -Hi.
- 159 -Hello.
- 160 Huh.
- 161 Lookslikeyou've been busy.
- 162 Oh, Ihave.
- 163-Uh, dark matter, uh, reconciling gravity and quantum mechanics.
- 164 Supersymmetry.
- 165-I've figure dout the biggest problems in physics to day.
- 166 Wow, yousolved the mall?
- 167-No, Ijust, If igured out that they're the biggest problems.
- 168-Isthis about what Leonards aid on the radio?
- 169 Absolutely not.
- 170-And Idonot want to talk about Leonard.
- 171-Canwe please just talk about anything else?
- 172 We could talk about my day.
- 173 Walked right into that one, didn't I?
- 174-Well, since you sort of a sked, I actually had a very good day.
- 175-Got some new equipment formy lab.
- 176 Well, congratulations.
- 177-Igot some new equipment, too.
- 178-Igotthese markers.
- 179-They smell like fruit.

- 180-Which I did not notice when I bought them.
- 181 (sniffs)
- 182 Don't really care for it.
- 183-Here, drink this.
- 184 Itmighthelp.
- 185 What if it doesn't?
- 186-Well, that's why I brought the bottle.
- 187-Noone would talk to me in the halls.
- 188-They just glared at me.
- 189-It's like high school allover again.
- 190-Oh, I would totally do high school allower again.
- 191 Butthat doesn't help you.
- 192 No.
- 193-Igot called into the administration of fice.
- 194 Ooh, lookat mybad boygetting called to the principal.
- 195 Wedon't technically have a principal.
- 196-There's a standing committee that over sees the budget.
- 197-Ooh, look at my bad boy answering questions no body as ked.
- 198-Hey, comeon, look, you said a few dumbthing son the radio--what is the worst that could happen?
- 199-Imayget fired.
- 200-Okay, well, even if you did, you could find another job.
- 201-Yeah, who wouldn't want to hire the physicist who publicly said physics is dead?
- 202-Well, I wouldn't put that under "special skills." I can fixit, I just need to write a retraction I don't believe in-basically sellout to keep my job.
- 203 Great, I'llleaveyoutoit.
- 204 Hmm.
- 205 Hmm.
- 206 Oy.
- 207 (knocking ondoor)
- 208-LEONARD: Sheldon, it's me.
- 209-What?
- 210-Look, Iknowyou'remad, but Ihave to write a statement that says the physics community is close to a breakthrough the physics of the phys
- 211 Sorry, Ican't.
- 212 Comeon, don't be like that.
- 213-I can't, because Ithin kyouwer eright.
- 214 What?
- 215 Look.
- 216 (sighs)
- 217-Notall science pansout.
- 218-Youknow, we've been hoping supersymmetry was true for decades, and finally, we built the Large Hadron Collisions of the School Collisions of
- 219-And may be supersymmetry, our last bigidea, is simply wrong.
- 220 Well, that sounds awful.
- 221-Now I get why every one hat esme.
- 222-Well, on the bright side, afterworking together for years, you finally get to hear messay, "Youwer eright." Oh the bright side of the property of the pr
- 223 How'sitfeel?

- 224-Mm, given Imight be unemployed, bitters weet.
- 225 Readitbacktome?
- 226 Oh, hangon.
- 227 "Yes, one might question the billion" to build and run the Large Hadron Collider, but on the other hand..." Okay.
- 228 Um...
- 229 Oh, oh!
- 230 "On the other hand, contrary to predictions, "the collider didn't create a small black hole "that devoured the Earth and life as we know it.
- 231 So, s- money well spent." This is depressing.
- 232 Do you have any alcohol around here?
- 233 Uh, not surprisingly, when Penny moved out, she took every last drop.
- 234 Um...
- 235 Oh, but I do have several bottles of Romulan ale that I bought at Comic-Con.
- 236 Isn't that just vodka with blue dye in it?
- 237 You- first, physics, now Romulan ale.
- 238 What else would you like to defecate on?
- 239 Hey.
- 240 I thought you were coming right back.
- 241 I was, but we're both depressed, and decided to drown our sorrows.
- 242 In mouthwash?
- 243 Man, that is so summer camp.
- 244 I-It's Romulan ale, from Star Trek. It was briefly legalized during the alliance between the Romulan Empire and the Federation at the time of the Dominion War.
- 245 Aw, now I'm depressed.
- 246 The more I told him about my lab, the pissier he got.
- 247 You know what he said to me?
- 248 He said, "I hope all your correlations turn out to be specious." He said that to your face?
- 249 What a dick.
- 250 You know, you're a successful woman.
- 251 You should be able to brag about your accomplishments once in a while.
- 252 Well, so should you.
- 253 I mean, the guys are never shy about bragging.
- 254 Tell me about it.
- 255 Howie texts me every time his dog levels up in Warcraft. Has he ever called you to tell you he found three peanuts in one shell?
- 256 'Cause Sheldon has.
- 257 We should be able to do that, too.
- 258 I guess we can brag to each other.
- 259 That's a great idea.
- 260 Damn right it is; I came up with it.
- 261 (chuckles)
- 262 That felt good.

- 263 You know, there's so much money in pharmaceuticals, we don't even wash out our test tubes.
- 264 We just throw them out and get new ones.
- 265 I just got a brand-new, state of the art fMRI machine.
- 266 Whoa.
- 267 Those things are so expensive.
- 268 I know.
- 269 Sometimes, I just lie down in there and take a nap.
- 270 Oh.
- 271 It's like a million dollar bunk bed.
- 272 At the office, I have two assistants.
- 273 I don't even know their names, I just call them Thing One and Thing Two.
- 274 That's great.
- 275 I-I don't have assistants.
- 276 Oh.
- 277 I guess that's one of the benefits of being in the private sector.
- 278 That and all the money I make.
- 279 Yeah, you've got that.
- 280 I've got my integrity.
- 281 Hard to say which is better without making you feel bad.
- 282 Okay.
- 283 So you guys are upset because the collider thing disproved your theories?
- 284 I-It's worse than that.
- 285 It hasn't found anything in years, so we don't know if we're right, we don't know if we're wrong.
- 286 We don't know where to go next.
- 287 All I know is it looks like I tongue-kissed Avatar. PENNY: Come on.
- 288 You guys are physicists.
- 289 Okay?
- 290 You're always gonna be physicists.
- 291 And sure, sometimes, the physics is hard, but isn't that what makes it boring?
- 292 - Hey.
- 293 - We're here
- 294 What's going on?
- 295 Okay.
- 296 As far as I can see, science is dead, 'cause Leonard killed it.
- 297 And, uh, I don't know who the Romulans are, but those guys know how to party.
- 298 So, what do you want us to do?
- 299 I don't know.
- 300 You're scientists; cheer them up.
- 301 "Cheer them up"?
- 302 Do you even know what a scientist is?
- 303 No, we don't need to be cheered up.

- 304 It just turns out that physics is exactly like Lost. Started out great, and turns out just a big old waste of time.
- 305 Boo-hoo.
- 306 You know what you sound like?
- 307 Babies.
- 308 Two whiny babies.
- 309 And there's nothing worse than being stuck with two whiny babies!
- 310 Oh.
- 311 Oh, my God, I'm gonna have two babies.
- 312 No, no, no, no.
- 313 Babies are great.
- 314 You're lucky to have two babies.
- 315 I mean, look at me, uh, I'm all alone.
- 316 I'm never gonna have babies, 'cause you can't make a baby watching Netflix with your dog.
- 317 Thanks for coming.
- 318 I may not make as much money as you, but at least I know that I'm actually doing something that makes people's lives better.
- 319 Hey, my work makes people's lives better.
- 320 Especially if you have moderate to severe eczema and don't mind if you lose teeth.
- 321 You're right.
- 322 We both do important work.
- 323 I'm trying to map the structures of the brain, and you're trying to convince people that itchy hair is a real thing.
- 324 It is a real thing.
- 325 It happens to be a side effect of our cholesterol drug.
- 326 I'm just saying that my research may actually change the world forever.
- 327 I hope it does.
- 328 'Cause I'm gonna see that world from a yacht so big, you can land a helicopter on it.
- 329 (drink pouring)
- 330 Physics is all we're cut out for.
- 331 I mean, if we weren't physicists, w-what would we be?
- 332 I don't know.
- 333 Popular?
- 334 (chuckles)
- 335 Mm-hmm.
- 336 It's fine.
- 337 I don't need to be a theoretical physicist.
- 338 There's lots of things I could use this brain for.
- 339 I could be an accountant for the mob.
- 340 I could guess people's weight at the fair.
- 341 Okay.
- 342 This is getting silly.
- 343 Is it?

- 344 .
- 345 Okay.
- 346 That is enough.
- 347 Your lives are not wasted.
- 348 Your careers are not at a dead end.
- 349 You just hit a rough patch.
- 350 Instead of feeling sorry for yourselves, you need to get up and get inspired.
- 351 How?
- 352 I don't know.
- 353 You know, when I'm feeling down, I go for a run, which is exactly why I'm not pounds, genius!
- 354 I know where we need to go.
- 355 Mm.
- 356 Are we running there?
- 357 Because watching drunk Sheldon run would be the highlight of my life.
- 358 WOLOWITZ: We're going to see Richard Feynman.
- 359 Penny, Richard Feynman is an iconic phys...
- 360 I know who he is.
- 361 Leonard dressed as him for Halloween last year.
- 362 PENNY: I had no idea Richard Feynman was dead.
- 363 Yep.
- 364 Most people don't know he's actually buried right here in Altadena.
- 365 I'm sure they keep a lid on that to avoid traffic jams.
- 366 Well.
- 367 (chuckles)
- 368 Here he is.
- 369 Oh, wow.
- 370 He's buried with his wife.
- 371 We get it.
- 372 A lady loved you.
- 373 Quit bragging.
- 374 Feynman was so cool.
- 375 When I was a kid, I'd put on some headphones and crank up one of his lectures and just...
- 376 jam out to knowledge.
- 377 This guy knew how to live.
- 378 He taught himself musical instruments.
- 379 He studied Portuguese.
- 380 Just to give a speech in Brazil.
- 381 The only part of me that's been to Brazil is my bikini line.
- 382 Okav.
- 383 He did so much.
- 384 And here we are, stuck and letting him down.
- 385 You know, Feynman used to say he didn't do physics for the glory or the awards, but just for the fun of it.
- 386 He was right.

- 387 Physics is only dead when we stop being excited about it.
- 388 Even beyond the grave, he's imparting wisdom.
- 389 Um, I'm the one who remembered it.
- 390 Give me the bottle.
- 391 I mean, it might be a little corny, but I say we pour one out for all the science homies who came before us.
- 392 I love that.
- 393 (Wolowitz chuckles)
- 394 Mm-hmm.
- 395 (chuckles softly)
- 396 (gags)
- 397 Here comes some more.
- 398 (Sheldon retching)
- 399 Ah, we got to see him run.
- 400 (knocks on door)
- 401 Oh, hi, you wanted to see me?
- 402 Yes.
- 403 I wanted to talk to you about the e-mail you sent me last night.
- 404 I sent you an e-mail?
- 405 You bet you did.
- 406 "Hello.
- 407 Shalom and aloha from the grave of Richard Feynman." (groans): Oh, it's coming back to me.
- 408 "Please accept the following retraction: "I know I said physics is dead, "but it is the opposite of dead.
- 409 "If anything, "it is undead, like a zombie.
- 410 "Speaking of which, "if Richard Feynman came back as a zombie, I would totally let him bite me." Any chance that's the end?
- 411 "I got bit by a squirrel once.
- 412 "I had to get rabies shots.
- 413 "I cried so much, "my mother said 'don't be a baby.' "In conclusion, "physics is great.
- 414 "Squirrels suck, and someday, "I'm gonna put my mom in a cheap nursing home.
- 415 "Yours truly, XOXO, Dr. Leonard Hofstadter." I-I can explain.
- 416 I...
- 417 "P.S.
- 418 "Can you come pick us up?
- 419 "The Uber driver won't open the door because Sheldon is covered in blue vomit."

### 3.3 Episode 03: The Relaxation Integration

- 1 Hmm.
- 2 Some news of our wedding.
- 3 I have sent you all a "save the date" e-mail.

- 4 Oh, exciting.
- 5 You guys picked a date?
- 6 Better.
- 7 I picked dates.
- 8 And I need you to save them all until we narrow it down.
- 9 I thought we agreed on June .
- 10 That's the day after Flag Day.
- 11 Everyone'll be partied out.
- 12 It's a date- just pick one.
- 13 It's not just a date—it's a textbook optimization problem.
- 14 There is a perfect date—just like there's a perfect room temperature and a perfect dessert.
- 15 Mm.
- 16 There's no perfect dessert.
- 17 Yellow cake in the shape of a dinosaur with chocolate frosting, a scoop of vanilla ice cream on the side, not touching.
- 18 You'll see.
- 19 You'll have it at our wedding.
- 20 You wanna bet?
- 21 SHELDON: You give me enough time, I can do the same thing with a wedding date— it needs to be on the weekend, uh, not near any of your birthdays, or the weekend of Comic Con.
- 22 Ooh, you could get married at Comic Con.
- 23 AMY and PENNY and BERNADETTE: No!
- 24 We just need a weekend date that's completely boring and uneventful.
- 25 Too bad you didn't get your ducks in a row, 'cause tonight would have been perfect.
- 26 Our whole universe was in a hot, dense state Then nearly billion years ago expansion started...
- 27 Wait!
- 28 The Earth began to cool The autotrophs began to drool, Neanderthals developed tools We built the Wall We built the pyramids Math, Science, History, unraveling the mystery That all started with a big bang Bang! (low whooshing)
- 29 Good morning.
- 30 Good morning.
- 31 I know today is Apple Jacks day, but...
- 32 we're all out.
- 33 That's fine.
- 34 I'll have anything.
- 35 Really?
- 36 Yeah.
- 37 You know...
- 38 whatev.
- 39 "Whatev"?
- 40 I like this side of you.
- 41 You know what I like?

- 42 Smooth jazz.
- 43 (playing Chuck Mangione's "Feels So Good")
- 44 (singing melody to "Feels So Good")
- 45 (getting quieter): Da, da, da-da... (loudly): Da, da-da-da Da, da, da...
- Hey, just a reminder—I'm going out for drinks after work.
- 46 Oh.
- 47 Great.
- 48 Just a reminder- you're pregnant.
- 49 I'm not drinking, just taking a new coworker out.
- 50 Oh.
- 51 Just a reminder- you're married.
- 52 Female coworker.
- 53 She's new in town, and I want to make her feel welcome.
- 54 And let her know the office is full of liars before everyone tells her I'm mean.
- 55 Is she single?
- 56 I'm not setting her up with Raj.
- 57 What about Stuart?
- 58 Are you listening?
- 59 I want her to think I'm not mean.
- 60 Okay.
- 61 Well, it's just...
- 62 we have two single friends.
- 63 Howie, I just met this woman.
- 64 Why don't I wait a little and get to know her?
- 65 Maybe I won't like her, and then I'd be happy to ruin her life with Stuart or Raj.
- 66 (whispers): That's all I ask.
- 67 So, you guys lived with Sheldon for a long time...
- 68 Long time.
- 69 So very long.
- 70 By the way, congratulations again on your engagement.
- 71 Yeah.
- 72 You got a good one.
- 73 Thanks.
- 74 So, it's strange, Sheldon was talking in his sleep last night, and he seemed like a totally different person.
- 75 He was relaxed and...
- 76 loose and calm.
- 77 Well, Sheldon's a complicated man.
- 78 He said "whatev." Give him a brain scan- that might be a tumor.
- 79 Well, I think the wedding planning is really stressful for him, and that can trigger sleep talking.
- 80 Well, maybe this is a part of Sheldon's personality he's been repressing.
- 81 I mean, I think we dream about things we wish we could be in real life.
- 82 Really?
- 83 What do you dream about?

- 84 Oh.
- 85 Uh...
- 86 being the wife of Leonard.
- 87 Mostly that.
- 88 I choose to believe you.
- 89 Well, as much as we've studied the brain, there's still a lot we don't know about dreams and their function.
- 90 You know, even psychologists are divided on it.
- 91 Mm, it's true<br/>– Freud thought dreams were about s\*x, Adler thought they were about dominance...
- 92 Then again, mine are just about being married to this little guy.
- 93 Well, now it's just edging into mockery.
- 94 Well, moving to a new city was a little scary, but the job seems great.
- 95 Everyone's really nice.
- 96 Oh, they are.
- 97 Super nice.
- 98 I mean, only one them took you out tonight—but it's not a competition.
- 99 Thanks again.
- 100 You know, we could have gone somewhere more pregnancy-friendly.
- 101 Oh, it's okay.
- 102 One of the great things about being pregnant is drinking cranberry juice out of a wineglass and watching people freak out.
- 103 Bernie!
- 104 Oh, damn.
- 105 Hey!
- 106 What are the odds?
- 107 Yeah, seren-frickin'-dipity.
- 108 Hello.
- 109 - Rajesh.
- 110 - Stuart.
- 111 Hi.
- 112 Ruchi.
- 113 Ruchi is my coworker.
- 114 But that was probably in your briefing packet.
- 115 (door opens)
- 116 Hi.
- 117 Hello.
- 118 What's wrong?
- 119 Well, I found the perfect wedding date.
- 120 - That's terrific!
- 121 - No, it's not.
- 122 It was May, .
- 123 We would have had a lovely wedding.
- 124 And our honeymoon would have coincided with the first appearance of the Hale-Bopp comet.
- 125 Sheldon, you were .

- 126 And in Texas- no one would have batted an eye.
- 127 Oh, wait, it's no good.
- 128 That's the day that Jon Pertwee, the third Doctor Who, died.
- 129 And it's in the past.
- 130 Hey-hey, I said it's no good-just let it go.
- 131 Sheldon...
- 132 I appreciate you trying to make this wedding perfect, but it's making you miserable.
- 133 No, the wedding isn't making me miserable, the calendar is.
- 134 Why can't there just be one week each month for famous people to die?
- 135 Well, they've already arranged to die in threes—what more do you want from them?
- 136 This is so frustrating.
- 137 Why can't I find a perfect date?
- 138 I found the perfect way to say hi to cowboys.
- 139 (clicks tongue)
- 140 I'm just saying maybe there's a part of you deep down that...
- 141 just wants to relax a little, you know?
- 142 Kick back.
- 143 Say, "Whatev." Whatev?
- 144 I'm sorry, you're really not gonna finish that word?
- 145 I-I'm just trying to make a point...
- 146 Finish the word, Amy.
- 147 Fine.
- 148 Er.
- 149 Er, er, er.
- 150 Thank you.
- 151 Only now you owe me three more whatevs.
- 152 Oh, you were born in Trivandrum.
- 153 Have you ever been to the Kuthira Malika Palace?
- 154 No, I haven't.
- 155 Me, either.
- 156 What a small world.
- 157 I've also never been there.
- 158 I've never been lots of places.
- 159 Go on, quiz me.
- 160 I'm sorry, we're being rude talking about India.
- 161 Oh, yeah, you know, if you and Bernadette want to talk about America, that's cool with us.
- 162 Here, let me get you started.
- 163 (American accent): Hamburgers.
- 164 Am I right?
- 165 So, what do you guys do?
- 166 Well, I am an astrophysicist, so if you ever go out at night and look up at the stars, that's kind of my office.
- 167 He sells comic books to children.

- 168 STUART: Actually, I own my own store.
- 169 Uh, i-if you'd like to check it out sometime, I'm running a new promotion—buy anything, get taken out for a reasonably priced dinner.
- 170 Yeah, yeah, Stuart's struggling financially.
- 171 But he doesn't let that get him down.
- 172 He believes in himself.
- 173 Even though the whole world has made it clear he should not.
- 174 Thank you.
- 175 A-And, you know, Raj, I think it's great that you no longer live off your parents like a spoiled child.
- 176 You live over someone's garage like a...
- 177 failed adult.
- 178 Yeah, well, you live with her.
- 179 Oh, it's not like that.
- 180 He rents a room from me and my husband.
- 181 Who, by the way, is no prize, either.
- 182 Oh, I don't care.
- 183 You know me- I just go with the flow.
- 184 Beach, public pool...
- 185 They both sound awesome.
- 186 SHELDON (recorded): On second thought, beach.
- 187 I'd like to befriend a seagull.
- 188 That is crazy.
- 189 Yeah.
- 190 Will you e-mail that to me?
- 191 Have you played this for him?
- 192 No.
- 193 I'm worried he'll say I violated his privacy.
- 194 Listen how happy he sounds.
- 195 I'm up for anything, as long as I'm with you.
- 196 - What are you listening to?
- 197 - Nothing.
- 198 Oh, come on, I want to hear.
- 199 We don't need GPS.
- 200 Let's just see where the road takes us.
- 201 I see why you turned it off.
- 202 That guy sounds like an idiot.
- 203 Honey, that's you.
- 204 Don't be silly.
- 205 My voice is deep and sonorous.
- 206 Like a Caucasian James Earl Jones.
- 207 "Luke, I am your father." See?
- 208 It is you.
- 209 I recorded you in your sleep.
- 210 Oh, look- a hitchhiker.
- 211 I bet he has some interesting stories.

- 212 That's me?
- 213 It's you.
- 214 So you spied on me in my sleep?
- 215 Sheldon, I'm sorry.
- 216 You've been doing this every night.
- 217 I couldn't help but wonder if it meant something.
- 218 Well, it doesn't.
- 219 Are you sure?
- 220 I mean, the prefrontal cortex regulates impulse control.
- 221 So it's plausible that when we're asleep, aspects of our personality that we repress might come out.
- 222 Don't try to put science lipstick on your New Age pig!
- 223 And for the record, you make noises when you sleep, and I've never accused you of repressing your inner chainsaw.
- 224 If you want me to object at your wedding, just give me one of these.
- 225 This picture of Galactus eating a planet looks like my preggo wife destroying a coffee cake.
- 226 (laughing): Oh, yeah, I see it.
- 227 I'm just saying, you should bow out.
- 228 Why should I bow out?
- 229 Uh, because we all know how this is gonna end.
- 230 That's what my doctor said, too, but I'm still here.
- 231 Okay, look, I think that she and I have more in common.
- 232 Because you're Indian?
- 233 So just 'cause she's brown, you get to date her?
- 234 Yes!
- 235 And the next time we meet a woman who's pale and cadaver-like, she's all yours.
- 236 Howard, Bernadette was there last night.
- 237 Did she say anything when she got home?
- 238 Yeah, she said, "Why'd you tell those idiots where I was?
- 239 Thanks a lot." Okay, how about we flip a coin?
- 240 Look, hang on.
- 241 Doesn't this girl get a word in all of this?
- 242 And isn't that word "no"?
- 243 Ruchi said she wanted to hang out with both of us.
- 244 Why don't we just do that?
- 245 Oh, fine.
- 246 Let's hang out as friends and see what happens.
- 247 Yeah, and if something grows out of it, just worry about it then.
- 248 Also what my doctor said.
- 249 Hey, this isn't your laundry night.
- 250 I know.
- 251 Laundry on a Wednesday.
- 252 It's the madness my life has become.
- 253 Why is this sleep-talking thing bothering you anyway?

- 254 It's simple.
- 255 I don't like the idea that my mind might be keeping an entire personality from me.
- 256 Dr.
- 257 Jekyll's other personality was Mr.
- 258 Hyde.
- 259 Mr. Hyde.
- 260 Didn't have a postgraduate degree.
- 261 Is it possible that you're stressed because you're scared about getting married?
- 262 I mean, it is a big change, and you're not good with little changes.
- 263 Well, that's nonsense.
- 264 You name one little change I was upset with.
- 265 Uh, when they changed the green Skittle from lime to apple.
- 266 That is not the rainbow I grew up tasting.
- 267 All right, fine.
- 268 Let's start over.
- 269 Is it possible that the sleep-talking is a part of your brain that's telling you everything's gonna be okay and you just need to relax a little?
- 270 So you're proposing that the self is an illusion, and that we actually have multiple centers of consciousness that are communicating with one another?
- 271 In laymen's terms, yeah.
- 272 Huh.
- 273 Interesting.
- 274 So you don't believe there's a Cartesian self that underlies the flux of experience?
- 275 Maybe in my twenties, not anymore.
- 276 Okay.
- 277 Well, assuming you're right, what would you suggest I do?
- 278 Well, I would start with something small, see if it makes your life any better.
- 279 Um, you can learn to meditate, take a yoga class.
- 280 Oh.
- 281 You know, I have always been intrigued by flip-flops.
- 282 The official footwear of the laid-back fellow.
- 283 - Okay, sure.
- 284 - Of course if my feet are gonna be exposed, I'll need to update my tetanus booster.
- 285 Oh, yeah.
- 286 Makes sense.
- 287 Yeah.
- 288 And while I'm there, I may as well get a flu shot and a mole check.
- 289 Sure.
- 290 You know, I've never had a mole check.
- 291 Ooh!
- 292 Well, it's been nice knowing you.

- 293 Here you go.
- 294 Thanks.
- 295 (chuckles)
- 296 It's too bad Stuart couldn't make it.
- 297 He seemed fun.
- 298 Oh, yeah, he is.
- 299 I love him dearly, yeah.
- 300 Not to say that I don't worry about him.
- 301 What's to worry about?
- 302 You know what?
- 303 I'm talking out of school.
- 304 Speaking of which, he's allowed to live near them now.
- 305 Hey, guys.
- 306 - Oh, great, Stuart.
- 307 You're here.
- 308 - Yeah, Stuart.
- 309 Yeah, I did...
- 310 I didn't think you were gonna make it.
- 311 Mm.
- 312 I believe that.
- 313 (ringtone playing)
- 314 Sorry, guys.
- 315 It's work.
- 316 I've got to take it.
- 317 Oh.
- 318 I'm so glad you made it, Stuart.
- 319 Oh, yeah, so glad.
- 320 I can't believe you went behind my back!
- 321 Which clearly means I want this more!
- 322 You want to play a game of "who's more desperate" with me?
- 323 'Cause you're in the big leagues now, Bucko.
- 324 L-Look, Ruchi and I are really hitting it off.
- 325 Please let me just have this one!
- 326 I'm not going anywhere.
- 327 I'm like a fungus you can't get rid of.
- 328 Sorry.
- 329 So what's going on?
- 330 Oh, you just missed Stuart's funny story about the fungus he can't get rid of
- 331 Raj didn't tell me about to night so he could be alone with you.
- 332 Really?
- 333 That's a little weird.
- 334 Just a little?
- 335 Because I can work with that.
- 336 Look, guys, I'm not interested in dating anyone right now.
- 337 I'm just looking to make some friends.

- 338 Yeah, I totally understand.
- 339 But if you were gonna date someone, would it be me or Stuart?
- 340 I think I'm gonna go.
- 341 Uh, uh, uh, uh, Ruchi, I'm sorry.
- 342 If you still want to hang out as friends, I'd like that.
- 343 Thanks, Stuart.
- 344 I'd like that, too.
- 345 And the fungus is under the toenail.
- 346 Hello.
- 347 Hey.
- 348 So, um, I, uh...
- 349 I got flip-flops.
- 350 Good for you.
- 351 Oh, my God, what happened?!
- 352 After I got the flip-flops, I realized that the tops of my feet were exposed,
- so, um, I-I put on some sunscreen, which caused my feet to become slippery.
- 353 And predictably, one of them fell off and went down a sewer grate.
- 354 Now, normally, I would have walked away, but this is a new, laid-back me, so, instead of getting upset, I just reached down to grab it.
- 355 That's when I touched something furry... ...
- 356 which I'm telling myself was a damp toupee.
- 357 When the toupee licked my hand... ...
- 358 I screamed and hopped down the street on my remaining flip-flop.
- 359 Can I just ask...?
- 360 No, this is a long story.
- 361 Why don't we please save your questions till the end?
- 362 So, I-I finally came upon a bus bench where I sat and removed one of my shirts and, uh, fashioned it into a makeshift shoe.
- 363 Not a waterproof shoe.
- 364 That is relevant to the next part of my story.
- 365 The ankle-deep puddle of warm apple juice.
- 366 Apple juice?
- 367 Maybe, maybe not.
- 368 I'm telling myself a lot of things, Amy.
- 369 What happened to your other flip-flop?
- 370 Oh, well, that involves what I am telling myself was a...
- 371 melted candy bar.
- 372 Okay.
- 373 I-I'm sorry.
- 374 Is there anything I can do to help?
- 375 Yes.
- 376 I want you to be in charge of our wedding.
- 377 Just you tell me where and when, and I will show up with a boutonniere and close-toed shoes and a...
- 378 a Star Trek uniform underneath my tuxedo.
- 379 That last part is non-negotiable.

- 380 Are you sure that's what you want?
- 381 As sure as I'm about to go bathe in Purell.
- 382 I love you.
- 383 I love you, too.
- 384 You know, ever since I was a young girl, I-I've dreamed of a June wedding, maybe on a cliff overlooking the ocean at sunset.
- 385 Sure.
- 386 Sounds wonderful.
- 387 Now, if you'll excuse me, I'm going to go clean up.
- 388 Outdoor wedding.
- 389 I know what I'll be using that cliff for.
- 390 I call this meeting of the Council of Sheldons to order.
- 391 Let's take roll.
- 392 Science Sheldon?
- 393 Present.
- 394 Texas Sheldon?
- 395 Howdy.
- 396 Fanboy Sheldon?
- 397 Greetings.
- 398 Germaphobe Sheldon?
- 399 Say it, don't spray it.
- 400 Where's Jock Sheldon?
- 401 Not the time, Humorous Sheldon!
- 402 Okay, new business.
- 403 Do we grant Laid-Back Sheldon a seat on the council?
- 404 Hey, whatever you guys want.
- 405 I'm just chillin' like Bob Dylan.
- 406 - Negative.
- 407 - Heck, no!
- 408 I don't feel well.
- 409 (horn honks)
- 410 Can we kick him out, too?

## 3.4 Episode 04: The Explosion Implosion

- 1 It feels like it wasn't that long ago we were here doing this for Halley.
- 2 'Cause it wasn't.
- 3 Which reminds me, before we leave, let's get you a vasectomy.
- 4 Oh, that's sweet, but today is all about you.
- 5 So, you two ready to find out the s\*x of this baby?
- 6 Yeah.
- 7 Absolutely.
- 8 Is Halley hoping for a little brother or a little sister?
- 9 Well, she's nine months old, so unless it jingles or is in my bra, she doesn't care.
- 10 And how about you two?

- 11 You know, for the first one, we really wanted a girl, but this time around, we don't have a preference.
- 12 Yeah.
- 13 Boy, girl, as long as it's healthy.
- 14 Well, it's a boy.
- 15 (heartbeat pulsing)
- 16 Oh.
- 17 Oh.
- 18 Come on, you can't really be disappointed.
- 19 Hey, I barely know how to be a man myself.
- 20 Now I have to teach someone?
- 21 As the saying goes, "Those who can't do, teach"" Don't you want a little version of Howard?
- 22 I already have a little version of Howard.
- 23 Now I'm having a son?
- 25 He just ran out of man things.
- 26 He's in trouble.
- 27 It's okay.
- 28 We're all here to help.
- 29 Yes.
- 30 And this baby will have plenty of manly role models.
- 31 Now, I'm certain that whatever Bernadette can't teach him, Penny can.
- 32 Uh, she can pee into a bottle.
- 33 Mm-hmm.
- 34 Anything with a neck wider than a nickel.
- 35 Howie, there's a lot of amazing things you can teach a son.
- 36 Yeah.
- 37 You do always know how to pick just the right antacid.
- 38 I don't know if I can teach that.
- 39 It's just something I was born with.
- 40 Come on.
- 41 You can build things.
- 42 You were an astronaut.
- 43 That's true.
- 44 You know, as a kid, I used to make model rockets.
- 45 That'd be pretty cool to do with a son.
- 46 Model rockets.
- 47 Finally, something interesting.
- 48 What is your preferred mode of recovery?
- 49 Sheldon, we're helping our friends.
- 50 And we got to model rockets, yeah?
- 51 It was a tedious road, but well worth the effort.
- 52 - So, have you thought of any names?
- 53 - Amy.

- 54 We finally got to model rockets.
- 55 Why are you turning back?
- 56 Our whole universe was in a hot, dense state Then nearly billion years ago expansion started...
- 57 Wait!
- 58 The Earth began to cool The autotrophs began to drool, Neanderthals developed tools We built the Wall We built the pyramids Math, Science, History, unraveling the mystery That all started with a big bang Bang! Hey, where are you going?
- 59 Back to the dry cleaner.
- 60 Look at this.
- 61 They didn't get the stain out of my Starfleet uniform.
- 62 Well, if you didn't make me wear the green body paint in bed, you wouldn't have to get it dry-cleaned so much.
- 63 Nah, it's worth it.
- 64 (Skype ringtone playing)
- 65 Hey, wait, it's your mom.
- 66 Oh, too bad.
- 67 She just missed me!
- 68 Hey, Beverly.
- 69 Oh, hello, Penny.
- 70 Uh, Leonard just left.
- 71 He's gonna be so upset he missed your call.
- 72 Why?
- 73 Because he...
- 74 Yeah, I don't know.
- 75 How are you?
- 76 Did you mean personally or professionally?
- 77 Um, personally?
- 78 Like, what'd you do last night?
- 79 I had Cuban food at the home of a man with whom I shared unsatisfying intercourse.
- 80 Wow.
- 81 Okay.
- 82 And to anticipate your next questions, roasted pork and sideways missionary.
- 83 Sure.
- 84 Sure.
- 85 'Cause you were full.
- 86 I haven't looked at all this stuff in years.
- 87 Had it.
- 88 Had it.
- 89 Burnt down my garage with it.
- 90 I had three model rockets as a kid, and that was the largest space program in India.
- 91 You have a replica Saturn V?

- 92 Yeah.
- 93 My dad bought it before he, you know, abandoned our family.
- 94 Lucky duck.
- 95 Could never bring myself to open it without him.
- 96 (chuckles)
- 97 It's silly.
- 98 No, it's not silly.
- 99 I always wanted my dad to build rockets with me, but he wasn't interested.
- 100 Ah, yes, disappointing fathers.
- 101 Tell me about it.
- 102 I remember for my th birthday, my dad bought me a Mercedes.
- 103 Like, a little one, like a starter Mercedes.
- 104 He had barely handed me the keys before he had to rush back to work.
- 105 I didn't see him again till, like, pretty late that night.
- 106 Anyway....
- 107 as angry as I was with him leaving, building this stuff is probably what led me to become an engineer.
- 108 I suppose, in his own way, my dad also encouraged me to pursue science.
- 109 I mean, he is the one that taught me that flatulence is combustible.
- 110 And also, polyester gym shorts don't burn.
- 111 They melt.
- 112 Yeah, I guess I'm an astrophysicist because, as a kid, I said I like to look at the stars, so my dad sent me to Hawaii to visit the Keck telescope.
- 113 Screw you.
- 114 My pain is real.
- 115 You know what?
- 116 Forget the past.
- 117 What do you say you and me build this rocket?
- 118 That sounds like it could be a real bonding experience for us.
- 119 Right?
- 120 Oh, I see.
- 121 Oh, you think that's a positive.
- 122 So, you don't want to hang out with Sheldon and Howard?
- 123 No, they were bonding over their sad childhoods, and my stupid parents were always there for me.
- 124 What's all this?
- 125 I'm just boxing up all the clothes Halley's outgrown.
- 126 Guess we won't need them anymore.
- 127 Oh, well, slow down.
- 128 I'm sure there's some you could reuse for a boy.
- 129 "Daddy's little girl"?
- 130 Okay, well, what if we, uh, change it to say, "Daddy's little girl magnet"?
- 131 Boom!
- 132 Boy shirt.
- 133 What about this?
- 134 Uh, okay.

- 135 Uh, pull off the skirt, slap a lightning bolt on the front, and you got baby Flash.
- 136 Ooh.
- 137 Stick a long sleeve under it.
- 138 Boom!
- 139 Baby Sheldon.
- 140 Wow, you're really good at this.
- 141 Oh, please.
- 142 This isn't my first time turning girl clothes into boy clothes.
- 143 Why?
- 144 You got your sister's hand-me-downs?
- 145 Yeah, that.
- 146 Oh.
- 147 I should've brought peanuts.
- 148 You can't eat peanuts.
- 149 You're allergic.
- 150 If you die, who's going to drive me home?
- 151 I'm not gonna eat them.
- 152 It's a thing they do at JPL.
- 153 When the Ranger mission finally had a successful launch, there were peanuts in the room.
- 154 Ever since then, they have them at every launch.
- 155 That sounds like a silly superstition.
- 156 It's more of a tradition.
- 157 Oh!
- 158 I do love a tradition.
- 159 Could you pull over at the next peanut store?
- 160 I don't think that's a real thing.
- 161 Oh, don't be pedantic.
- 162 Any nut store will do.
- 163 I-I don't think we can get peanuts out here.
- 164 Ah, well, then this whole day's ruined.
- 165 Now that I think about it, maybe it is more of a superstition.
- 166 Whew!
- 167 That was close.
- 168 (ringtone playing)
- 169 Oh, uh, hey, Beverly, you called my phone, not Leonard's.
- 170 Actually, I was hoping to speak with you.
- 171 Is this a good time?
- 172 Uh, that depends.
- 173 What time is it where you are?
- 174 Uh, just after : .
- 175 (clears throat)
- 176 Yeah, that counts.
- 177 What's up?
- 178 Well, I enjoyed our conversation the other day, and I was hoping to con-

- tinue it.
- 179 Really?
- 180 Uh, ves.
- 181 You may find this surprising, but I don't have a lot of what you would call girlfriends.
- 182 (exaggerated): What?
- 183 Of course, there are my female colleagues, but, uh, they're all Freudians, so the only boy that I can dish about is my father.
- 184 (laughs)
- 185 Uh, well, you know, I'm here for you.
- 186 What do you want to talk about?
- 187 Well, last time, we focused on my life.
- 188 If we're going to be real girlfriends, we should talk about you as well.
- 189 Well, you know, if we're gonna be real girlfriends, we should get a third girl we can trash behind her back.
- 190 Oh, so we'd be catty.
- 191 Oh, I like it.
- 192 What about Sheldon's fiancée?
- 193 She seems a bit dour.
- 194 Ooh, "dour." Meow.
- 195 All right.
- 196 Here we go.
- 197 L-minus ten, nine...
- 198 Wait, what are you doing?
- 199 It's "T-minus"" I was an astronaut.
- 200 We used L-minus.
- 201 But this is a Saturn V, and when they launched those, they said "T-minus"" It's my rocket!
- 202 We're doing it my way.
- 203 Fine.
- 204 I'm not saying I know why your dad left, but I think I'm getting an idea.
- 205 L-minus ten, nine, eight, seven, six...
- 206 'Cause you're kind of bossy.
- 207 ...five, four, three, two, one...
- 208 I remember them going up higher.
- 209 Well, that's perfect.
- 210 I mean, the one thing I thought I could do with my son, I can't even do that right.
- 211 Well, if you want to see it again, I got it on video.
- 212 Looks pretty cool in slow motion.
- 213 Thank you for your support.
- 214 You're welcome.
- 215 I was being sarcastic.
- 216 How dare you!
- 217 Sheldon, what am I gonna do?
- 218 I mean, what do I know about raising a boy?

- 219 What do you know about raising a girl?
- 220 Oh, my God, you're right.
- 221 Well, I don't know if that was sarcasm or not.
- 222 So, either you're welcome, or hey!
- 223 (phone chimes)
- 224 Leonard, did you really just text me from the couch to put extra mustard on your sandwich?
- 225 I was worried you might not check your e-mail.
- 226 (phone chimes)
- 227 I swear to God, I will throw this out.
- 228 That one was not me.
- 229 Oh, wait, it was just your mom.
- 230 My mother's texting you?
- 231 Yeah.
- 232 We've been talking a lot lately.
- 233 Why?
- 234 She sick of talking to the magic mirror on the wall?
- 235 No, I think she's lonely.
- 236 She's been reaching out.
- 237 Okay, just be careful.
- 238 You think you're getting close to her, and the next thing you know, you're featured in a book called He's Doing It On Purpose: Raising a Teenage Bed-Wetter. No, it's not like that.
- 239 You know, she's been opening up about her life, and she's actually been really supportive about mine.
- 240 Really?
- 241 Yeah.
- 242 I've been telling her about my job, and she said she was proud of me.
- 243 Well, that's great.
- 244 Never told me she was proud of me.
- 245 Even when I stayed dry for a whole month.
- 246 Do you not want me to be friends with your mom?
- 247 Well, let's be clear.
- 248 I-I married you to hurt her.
- 249 You're kind of ruining it.
- 250 Reason number to feel good: as a launch, it was bad, but as an explosion, it was glorious.
- 251 Reason: you still have all your fingers, and boys prefer a dad with fingers.
- 252 Thanks for trying, but you're not gonna be able to cheer me up.
- 253 Well, how about this, then?
- 254 You quit your whining before I give you something to cry about, young man.
- 255 What?
- 256 Those are comforting words my father would often say.
- 257 Did it help?
- 258 I turned out great.

- 259 You tell me.
- 260 Let's get going.
- 261 Are you gonna be this mopey all the way home?
- 262 I don't know, maybe.
- 263 There any chance you'd be cheered up by an amazing trigonometry riddle?
- 264 Well, if you can't answer that, there's no way you're gonna get this riddle.
- 265 Oh, hey, hey, what do you think?
- 266 Just because it's a boy, I don't think you need to put a picture of genitals on his shirt.
- 267 But that's a baseball bat with two little baseballs.
- 268 Okay, and now I see it.
- 269 So, you know, I understand why Howard is nervous about having a son, but are you really upset about it?
- 270 No, I'm fine.
- 271 It's just, I grew up with a bunch of brothers, so I thought it'd be nice for Halley to have a sister.
- 272 Is that wrong?
- 273 Of course it's wrong.
- 274 You don't know what this little boy's gonna be like.
- 275 Maybe he'll be rough and tumble, or maybe he'll be sweet and sensitive, or maybe he'll be all those things, like me.
- 276 You're rough and tumble?
- 277 You bet I am, bitch.
- 278 But I'm also sensitive and regret saying that.
- 279 (knock on door)
- 280 Hey.
- 281 Hello.
- 282 You got a sec?
- 283 Sure.
- 284 What's up?
- 285 Penny's been talking to my mother like they're best friends, and it's kind of freaking me out.
- 286 Okay...
- 287 I'm pretty sure they're not best friends.
- 288 'Cause you can only have one best friend.
- 289 And Penny has that, and (clicks tongue)
- 290 it's me.
- 291 Oh, really?
- 292 Is she FaceTiming with you right now?
- 293 Because she's FaceTiming with my mom, and believe me, that is not a face you want to spend time with.
- 294 Hmm.
- 295 Well, I have been pretty busy lately.
- 296 Maybe I've been neglecting our friendship.
- 297 Penny knows I have a complicated relationship with my mother; it's like she doesn't even care.

- 298 And with everything going on at the lab and planning the wedding, I just, I have so little free time.
- 299 Penny doesn't know how manipulative my mother can be.
- 300 Did you know there's such a thing as reverse, reverse, reverse psychology?
- 301 Because...
- 302 there is.
- 303 I mean, she must feel so abandoned.
- 304 She's used to me being there all the time, but now I have my own life, and she's just gonna have to accept it.
- 305 And why is my mom proud of Penny and not me?
- 306 I mean, the real question is: why is Penny so afraid of me growing as a person?
- 307 I'm good at stuff, too!
- 308 I deserve my own life!
- 309 Okay, well, thanks.
- 310 Good talk.
- 311 You know, studies have shown that people distracted by emotional issues are poor drivers.
- 312 What about people distracted by irritating passengers?
- 313 That would be hard to test, because irritating is a subjective quality.
- 314 Strongly disagree.
- 315 Can I drive?
- 316 No.
- 317 (chuckles)
- 318 You can't drive.
- 319 You don't even have a license.
- 320 Actually, I do.
- 321 Really?
- 322 Since when?
- 323 Three years ago.
- 324 I went on a bit of a license kick.
- 325 I'm also a commercial fisherman.
- 326 Then why don't you ever drive yourself?
- 327 Honestly, I barely passed my test.
- 328 And the one time I drove on my own, I made a U-turn, got dizzy, threw up and walked home.
- 329 You really want to drive?
- 330 It seems like the perfect time.
- 331 The roads are straight, there's no one around, and you don't seem to care if you live or die.
- 332 Live, Sheldon.
- 333 I want to live.
- 334 That makes things a little trickier, but I'll do my best.
- 335 (line ringing)
- 336 BEVERLY: Hi, Pen...
- 337 Oh, hello, Leonard.

- 338 Hello, Mother.
- 339 How are you?
- 340 Fine.
- 341 And you?
- 342 I'm great.
- 343 Well, it's been lovely catching up.
- 344 Wait.
- 345 Hang on.
- 346 We need to talk.
- 347 Oh, brother.
- 348 I want to know, why aren't you proud of me?
- 349 Well, isn't the real question, "Why aren't you proud of yourself?" No, that is a question—and I ask it a lot—but let's stick with the one I asked you.
- 350 But why do you think I'm not proud of you?
- 351 Because you never say it.
- 352 But two days into chatting with Penny, and you can't stop telling her how great she is.
- 353 She is great.
- 354 Honestly, of all of my children's spouses, she's the one that I'm most impressed by.
- 355 Seriously?
- 356 Yes.
- 357 She's confident, she's thoughtful, and she never complained about you once.
- 358 I know what kind of strength that takes.
- 359 So, Penny's your favorite?
- 360 I suppose she is.
- 361 You married well, Leonard, and for that I am proud of you.
- 362 I don't...
- 363 I $\operatorname{don't...}$
- 364 I don't know what to say.
- 365 I'm also proud of how hard you're trying not to cry.
- 366 (choked up) : Thank you.
- 367 Would you like to hang up now?
- 368 Yeah, here it comes.
- 369 Your hands are at : and : .
- 370 Good.
- 371 Steady on the gas.
- 372 Okav.
- 373 Now you're gonna want to slowly switch lanes.
- 374 Why?
- 375 Because there are only two, and you're not in either of them.
- 376 Attaboy.
- 377 Well done!
- 378 Thank you.
- 379 The last time I drove, I was terrified, but this is fun.

- 380 You're doing great.
- 381 You're a good teacher.
- 382 Your son is going to be lucky to have you as a father.
- 383 Thanks.
- 384 Do you think I could try going a little faster?
- 385 Go for it, champ.
- 386 Ow.
- 387 Sorry.
- 388 Just ease on the gas, and...
- 389 (engine revving)
- 390 Oh. too much!
- 391 Too much!
- 392 Why was I scared of this?
- 393 This is exhilarating!
- 394 No, it's not!
- 395 Slow down!
- 396 Don't tell me what to do!
- 397 You're not my father!
- 398 Do you know how fast you were going?
- 399 .
- 400 Let me see your license.
- 401 Okay, here's the plan.
- 402 - No.
- 403 Fine.
- 404 There you go.
- 405 You know what, you can just keep it.

## 3.5 Episode 05: The Collaboration Contamination

- 1 Thanks for letting me put Halley in your room.
- 2 Yeah, no problem.
- 3 Oh, and, Penny, she kinda threw up on your stuffed bear.
- 4 Oh, that's okay.
- 5 Hev.
- 6 Tha-That's an Ewok and it's mine.
- 7 Yeah, which is why it's okay.
- 8 See, he gets Ewoks in his bed.
- 9 You've got Chewbacca; that's enough.
- 10 KOOTHRAPPALI: I used to have the stuffed raccoon from Guardians of the Galaxy, but Cinnamon licked it raw.
- 11 There's a time and place for your randy dog stories, and...
- 12 it's never and nowhere.
- 13 Yeah, no more stories about s\*x, so, Amy, that brings us to you.
- 14 Well, at work we've been doing some interesting research with neuroprosthetics.
- 15 PENNY: Neat.

- 16 I've been rewatching The O.C., so we're all leading productive lives.
- 17 We've been working on a computer interface that can use brain wave patterns to control robotic limbs, but we're having a little trouble localizing the signal from the EEG cap.
- 18 Oh, well, have you thought about adding a phased array of sensors for better localization?
- 19 Actually, that never occurred to me.
- 20 It never occurred to me I would miss the Ewok conversation.
- 21 Good, 'cause I just bought another one on Amazon.
- 22 You know, I could use an engineer on this project.
- 23 Well, now, this works out great.
- 24 Howard's an engineer.
- 25 I'm sure he knows someone qualified.
- 26 She was talking about me, Sheldon.
- 27 I'm perfectly qualified.
- 28 Yeah, Howie's the world's best engineer.
- 29 It says so right on his coffee mug.
- 30 Aw, you got him a mug?
- 31 I did.
- 32 But it's not a competition.
- 33 Yeah, I lost that battle years ago.
- 34 So, Howard, are you interested?
- 35 Are you kidding?
- 36 If I could control robot arms with my brain, I'd be able to do so many things.
- 37 Really?
- 38 Because you've been controlling human arms with your brain for years and not much has come of it.
- 39 Our whole universe was in a hot, dense state Then nearly billion years ago expansion started...
- 40 Wait!
- 41 The Earth began to cool The autotrophs began to drool, Neanderthals developed tools We built the Wall We built the pyramids Math, Science, History, unraveling the mystery That all started with a big bang Bang! Hey, what you reading?
- 42 A parenting book.
- 43 Oh, my God.
- 44 Are-are we...?
- 45 Wha...
- 46 No!
- 47 You think this is how I would tell you?
- 48 Well...
- 49 (stammers)
- 50 You're sitting there with a book.
- 51 It felt like anything was possible.
- 52 Bernadette left it here.

- 53 Yeah?
- 54 Anything interesting?
- 55 Well, I just saw a picture of a baby's head crowning, so I hope you enjoyed
- s\*x, because we're done with that.
- 56 Hello.
- 57 - Hi.
- 58 - Hey, Sheldon, what's up?
- 59 Well, remember how disappointed you were when Amy started driving me to work?
- 60 Sure, uh...
- 61 Sometimes people smile a big smile of disappointment.
- 62 Yeah, well, good news, Amy had to go in early to show Howard around her lab, so you get to drive me.
- 63 Aw, his smile of disappointment has turned into a frown of joy.
- 64 It's fine, I've been driving him for years.
- 65 What's one more day?
- 66 Oh, and I've got a new car game we can play.
- 67 It's called "what siren am I?" Kill me.
- 68 Amy, your lab is amazing.
- 69 A C-arm fluoroscope, a cranial ultrasound...
- 70 (gasps)
- 71 And look at that coffee maker.
- 72 I know.
- 73 On our expense report, I listed it as "Eduardo," my Colombian lab assistant.
- 74 So this is it?
- 75 Yes.
- 76 We are using it to map brain wave patterns and then converting them into electrical impulses that can be used to control anything from wheelchairs to robots
- 77 Based on that ring on your finger, I'd say you're pretty good at controlling robots.
- 78 Careful, that's my fiancé you're talking about, and I can program him to hurt you.
- 79 (imitates melodic siren wailing)
- 80 I don't know.
- 81 Uh...
- 82 French police?
- 83 Oh.
- 84 So close.
- 85 Belgian ambulance.
- 86 All right, you ready for your next one?
- 87 Just a warning, this one's a little annoying.
- 88 (imitates high-pitched siren)
- 89 Let's take a little...
- 90 little break, I'm getting a headache.

- 91 Aw, right in the middle of our fun game.
- 92 Yeah, weird.
- 93 So...
- 94 Howard and Amy working together- that's interesting, huh?
- 95 Eh.
- 96 It's all right, I suppose.
- 97 Uh, when—usually when Amy complains about her coworkers, I just tune her out, but now I'll be able to join in and pound away.
- 98 You're not jealous of Howard, are you?
- 99 Of course not.
- 100 The only engineer I'm jealous of is the one who blows the train whistle.
- 101 Ooh, that just gave me an idea for a new game, "what whistle am I?" Train.
- 102 For your information, it was going to be tea kettle, but the tea kettle was on a train, so I'll give it to you.
- 103 If we add phase detection to your EEG sensors, I'll have to rewrite most of the code.
- 104 Can you do that?
- 105 Well, these hands were made to do three things: close-up magic, writing code, and the dirty shadow puppet show that got me kicked out of Hebrew school.
- 106 Hello.
- 107 Hi.
- 108 What a nice surprise.
- 109 Well, I just came by to see how you two were getting along.
- 110 (laughs)
- 111 Well, everything's going really great.
- 112 Oh, that's nice to hear.
- 113 I was hoping you two would enjoy working together.
- 114 What's with the blinking?
- 115 (quietly): It's Morse code.
- 116 So we can talk about... ...
- 117 without hurting...
- 118 's feelings.
- 119 Sheldon, I don't know Morse code.
- 120 I do.
- 121 And if you have something to say, you can say it to my face.
- 122 Oh.
- 123 All right.
- 124 I'm a little rusty.
- 125 Could you say that again?
- 126 She's going to be home at "eight-ish." Like, when is that?
- 127 : ? : ?
- 128 And what kind of scientist uses "-ish"?
- 129 I'll give it a go.
- 130 My ride home with you was hellish.

- 131 Sheldon, honey, if you want to join us for dinner, you're more than welcome.
- 132 No, thank you.
- 133 I don't think I'd be very good company tonight.
- 134 Well, then out you go.
- 135 Okay, what is going on?
- 136 Well, ever since Amy started working with Howard, she hasn't been home.
- 137 Didn't that just start this morning?
- 138 And has she been home?
- 139 You know, that would frustrate me.
- 140 Does it frustrate you?
- 141 I-It does.
- 142 I get that.
- 143 You know, it's okay to feel frustrated when things aren't going your way.
- 144 I suppose.
- 145 Ah, maybe it's not that big a deal.
- 146 PENNY: No, no, no, your feelings are valid.
- 147 Now, why don't you go wash up, and we'll call you when dinner's ready.
- 148 Okay.
- 149 (door closes)
- 150 What did you do- Are you a witch?
- 151 No, I've been reading Bernadette's parenting book.
- 152 It's like the answer key to the Sheldon test.
- 153 That's amazing.
- 154 I know.
- 155 But, you know, it's only birth to five.
- 156 What do we do when he turns six?
- 157 Take him to the zoo and leave him there.
- 158 Hey, Bernadette.
- 159 Oh, hey, Raj.
- 160 Howard's not here.
- 161 Oh, I know, he's been in the lab every night this week with his work wife.
- 162 That's weird, I thought his work wife was standing in my kitchen.
- 163 Don't be snippy.
- 164 I came to see how you were doing.
- 165 Like, uh, do you need help with anything?
- 166 Oh, thank you.
- 167 There are a few things around the house that I've been waiting for Howard to get to.
- 168 The smoke alarms...
- 169 No, I meant emotionally.
- 170 How are you feeling?
- 171 Like you're not really here to help me.
- 172 Well, still snippy.
- 173 Everything's fine.
- 174 Howard's really excited about his work, he's been in a great mood...

- 175 I'm really proud of him.
- 176 And I can fit into the pants I wore in high school.
- 177 Come on, we don't need to lie to each other.
- 178 You're right.
- 179 I have a teething baby, I'm pregnant, I have a proposal due tomorrow.
- 180 I don't have time to hear about how much you're missing my husband.
- 181 Well, I think I know why he's been working so late.
- 182 Hi.
- 183 Welcome home.
- 184 How was work?
- 185 Great.
- 186 Howard had an idea for...
- 187 That's enough about work.
- 188 Aw, you just got here.
- 189 You need to sit down and let me pamper you.
- 190 (laughs) : Oh.
- 191 Well, that sounds nice.
- 192 I got you a little something to help you relax.
- 193 Sheldon, that is the sweetest, most...
- 194 What...
- 195 what is this?
- 196 The notes from our quantum cognition project.
- 197 I thought we could spend the evening grinding away on it.
- 198 (sighs)
- 199 I just got home, I'm tired.
- 200 Of Howard, I know.
- 201 So how about you and me make some beautiful science together?
- 202 Sheldon, I want to work on this with you, just not tonight.
- 203 What if we get up early and do it in the morning?
- 204 I promise, I'll be way more into it.
- 205 You know what?
- 206 There was a time that you would've been happy to stay up and collaborate all night with me.
- 207 And then wake up in the morning and do it some more.
- 208 (sighs)
- 209 Fine, but can we make it quick?
- 210 No.
- 211 If you're just gonna make me do all the work, then go to bed.
- 212 But don't be surprised if you walk out here and catch me doing it myself.
- 213 Ahh, Sheldon's texting me to drive him to Bernadette's.
- 214 Well, what are you gonna say?
- 215 Well, they did just introduce the middle finger emoji.
- 216 If it's not for this, I don't know what it's for.
- 217 No, no, no.
- 218 He'll just think that means "Be there in a minute." Uh...
- 219 Maybe there's something in the book that will help.

- 220 Worth a shot.
- 221 Okay.
- 222 Let's see, let's see.
- 223 "Biting other children"?
- 224 Well, sometimes, but...
- 225 problem for another day.
- 226 Okay, wait, wait.
- 227 Here we go.
- 228 "Let him have ownership of his choices.
- 229 Allow him to choose from options that are acceptable to you." All right, I'll give it a try.
- 230 "I can drive you in two hours or you can take an Uber"" Good.
- 231 See, now he feels like he has a choice.
- 232 Huh.
- 233 (phone chimes)
- 234 He's gonna take an Uber.
- 235 Wow, it worked.
- 236 Unless he bites the driver, yeah.
- 237 And now they're working on a Saturday?
- 238 Can you believe them?
- 239 Like, is this how you envisioned your weekend?
- 240 No, it is not.
- 241 This whole thing is maddening.
- 242 I'm really busy.
- 243 I don't have time to listen to you complain.
- 244 Hey.
- 245 You're complaining, too.
- 246 "Sheldon, why are you here?" "Sheldon, the applesauce is for the baby."

## What do you want?

- 247 I just wish I could make Howard feel as angry as I'm feeling.
- 248 Well, maybe you could do something he likes and make him jealous.
- 249 Like what?
- 250 Have you ever read Tom Sawyer? No.
- 251 Chores.
- 252 He likes chores.
- 253 Ooh.
- 254 What kind of chores?
- 255 Well, you could change the batteries in the smoke detectors.
- 256 That would drive him crazy.
- 257 That's great.
- 258 Oh, he'll be so mad smoke will be coming out of his ears.
- 259 And then the smoke detectors will detect it.
- 260 Wait, wait, now, hold on.
- 261 Why'd you ask me about Tom Sawyer? I'm just interested in you.
- 262 Well, you are sweeter than your applesauce.
- 263 Okay, I'm gonna extend the wait time and have it poll the A-to-D con-

verter at the top of the loop instead of the bottom.

- 264 Oh.
- 265 That's impressive.
- 266 You think that's impressive, take apart that brain model.
- 267 (gasps)
- 268 Oh my God- three of clubs.
- 269 That was my card!
- 270 How did you...?
- 271 I used to make it appear in my pants, but HR said I had to stop doing that.
- 272 So, how much longer till we can test it?
- 273 Well, it needs to compile, so it's gonna be a few minutes.
- 274 Sounds like we've earned ourselves a break.
- 275 You want to hear some Neil Sedaka?
- 276 You know, that's your greatest magic trick, 'cause you just read my mind.
- 277 I love, I love, I love my calendar girl Yeah, sweet calendar girl I love, I love, I love my calendar girl Each and every day of the year January You start the year all fine...
- 278 Well, well, well.
- 279 - Hi.
- 280 - Hev.
- 281 You say you're busy as bees, yet here you are, dancing.
- 282 Although I suppose bees do dance, but their dance lets other bees know where the pollen is, and yours does not.
- 283 So my logic, despite that slight detour, does track.
- 284 We're just waiting for my code to compile.
- 285 What are you doing here?
- 286 I stopped by to see if you wanted to go to the movies with me.
- 287 Well, I-I'd love to, but we're just about to test the interface.
- 288 It could take a while.
- 289 Okay, buddy, it— it's not my place, but Bernadette's been feeling a little abandoned with all the hours that you've been putting in.
- 290 You just asked him to go to the movies.
- 291 Yeah, but our weird relationship was grandfathered into their marriage, and yours was not.
- 292 Okay, I put new batteries in the smoke detectors.
- 293 Did you do the laundry?
- 294 I sure did.
- 295 Ooh.
- 296 He's gonna be steamed.
- 297 Just like his dress shirts.
- 298 At least he can still clean the oven, so that's something.
- 299 Oh, that's what he thinks.
- 300 Where's your steel wool?
- 301 Right here.
- 302 We make quite the team.

- 303 Sure do.
- 304 Guys, you won't believe this.
- 305 I stopped by the university to check in on Howard and Amy, and they were having fun.
- 306 Well, don't worry.
- 307 He won't be having any fun when he gets home.
- 308 I did all his favorite chores.
- 309 What are you talking about?
- 310 Howard hates doing chores.
- 311 Wait, then why would Bernadette tell me that...
- 312 (gasps)
- 313 Bernadette.
- 314 Did you play on my well established gullibility to clean your house?
- 315 Sure did.
- 316 Well, I would storm out of here, but I already have the gloves and the steel wool, and I really do love cleaning an oven.
- 317 Move.
- 318 She made me do all her chores, and it wasn't even her idea— she stole it from Tom Sawyer. You know what?
- 319 This is crazy.
- 320 Howard and Amy are working together- get over it.
- 321 Leonard, what are you doing?
- 322 "Knowing when to say when." This is not a big deal.
- 323 It is a big deal.
- 324 Howard's getting Amy used to laughing and listening to music.
- 325 What if she expects that madness at home?
- 326 Yeah, that is a good point.
- 327 I'm really proud of the way you're able to express your feelings.
- 328 SHELDON: Thank you.
- 329 I'm just so angry.
- 330 You know, everyone gets angry.
- 331 Even mommies and daddies.
- 332 You can't think this is the right time to "validate his behavior." Okay, what about "presenting a united front"?
- 333 What about you coddling him and he's never gonna learn?
- 334 Look.
- 335 You sound frustrated, and I'm really proud of the way you're able to state your opinion.
- 336 Thank you.
- 337 Wait, no, no.
- 338 Don't use that book on me.
- 339 SHELDON: W-Wait, what book?
- 340 (groans)
- 341 Penny's been using one of Bernadette's parenting books on you.
- 342 What?
- 343 So has he.

- 344 Wh-What makes you think you can treat me like a child?
- 345 Your shampoo comes in a Big Bird bottle.
- 346 That's because the adult shampoo burns my man eyes.
- 347 Hey, what are you working on?
- 348 Oh, my God, you're still here?
- 349 Well, of course I'm here.
- 350 I know what you're going through.
- 351 Really?
- 352 You have a needy Indian man in your house?
- 353 I did, but then he came over here.
- 354 So is this how it's gonna be if we have kids?
- 355 You're just gonna throw me under the bus?
- 356 If you spoil them the way you do Sheldon, then, yeah.
- 357 Uh, my way was working.
- 358 Okay?
- 359 I think you're just upset because there are some things I am better than you at.
- 360 Well, you can't end a sentence with a preposition, so clearly, not grammar.
- 361 If you're so smart, was that a smart thing to say?
- 362 That depends.
- 363 Before I said it, was s\*x tonight still on the table?
- 364 No.
- 365 Then it's fine.
- 366 You know, once we get this operational, we could probably figure out how to make it wireless.
- 367 That'd be amazing.
- 368 (phone chimes)
- 369 Oh, that's Sheldon.
- 370 Oh, he's upset with Leonard and Penny.
- 371 (phone whooshes)
- 372 And Bernadette.
- 373 (phone whooshes)
- 374 And Mark Twain.
- 375 Yeah, Bernadette texted earlier.
- 376 Raj is really getting on her nerves.
- 377 Well, I guess we have been working late a lot.
- 378 (sighs)
- 379 Should we call it a night and go home?
- 380 Or we could brew a pot of coffee and power through.
- 381 I don't know, it's getting kind of late.
- 382 Hey, where's my watch?
- 383 Why don't you ask your skeleton?
- 384 (Amy gasps)
- 385 Oh, my God.
- 386 How is that even possible?!
- 387 This is great, the two of us hanging out.

- 388 Why didn't we think of this earlier?
- 389 Agreed.
- 390 I don't need Amy to watch a movie.
- 391 I can not hold your hand just as easily.
- 392 (music begins playing over TV)
- 393 In the book this is based on, that man's the killer.

## 3.6 Episode 06: The Proton Regeneration

- 1 Howie, slow down.
- 2 I can't.
- 3  $\mathrm{I'm}$  not allowed to eat for hours before my surgery, and  $\mathrm{I}$  only got two more minutes.
- 4 What surgery are you having?
- 5 I'm stress eating.
- 6 My best friend's getting a vasectomy tomorrow.
- 7 And you're sad you won't be able to bear his child?
- 8 Oh, my goodness.
- 9 If it's "vasectomy gone wrong" videos, he's seen them all.
- 10 Including the one of the guy who's sitting on what appears to be a cantaloupe but is not.
- 11 And I'm done.
- 12 They're going to start making Professor Proton's science show again.
- 13 BERNADETTE: I thought he passed away.
- 14 He did
- 15 He was cremated, and his remains were put in a baking soda volcano.
- 16 AMY: Don't make jokes.
- 17 He meant a lot to Sheldon.
- 18 LEONARD: Oh, me, too.
- 19 I grew up watching his show.
- 20 He's one of the reasons I became a scientist.
- 21 Aw.
- 22 Thought you did it just to get girls.
- 23 Joke's on you.
- 24 It worked.
- 25 Have they found anyone to replace him?
- 26 No, not yet, and it won't be easy.
- 27 Arthur Jeffries was an accomplished scientist.
- 28 Mm.
- 29 You know who'd make a great Professor Proton?
- 30 Meryl Streep.
- 31 She's not a scientist.
- 32 Uh, then explain to me why she has chemistry with literally everyone.
- 33 It would be nice if they cast a woman.
- 34 Oh, you've already got Doctor Who and the Ghostbusters. Leave us something.

- 35 Who do you think it should be?
- 36 Well, it should be a scientist I respect.
- 37 You know, someone with a pleasing voice and symmetrical facial features.
- 38 Is he talking about himself?
- 39 If he's talking, he's talking about himself.
- 40 I just know how much Professor Proton touched me as a child, and I feel that I owe it to him to try and touch as many children as possible.
- 41 You should put that on your audition tape.
- 42 Our whole universe was in a hot, dense state Then nearly billion years ago expansion started...
- 43 Wait!
- 44 The Earth began to cool The autotrophs began to drool, Neanderthals developed tools We built the Wall We built the pyramids Math, Science, History, unraveling the mystery That all started with a big bang Bang! You doing okay?
- 45 No, I'm very nervous.
- 46 (man groaning)
- 47 Where are you going?
- 48 Gift shop.
- 49 There is no gift shop.
- 50 Sit down.
- 51 This was your idea.
- 52 So was having s\*x, and look where that got us.
- 53 This isn't a big deal.
- 54 Stop whining.
- 55 When you were in labor and I said that, you kicked me.
- 56 Howard Wolowitz?
- 57 Want me to go with you?
- 58 No.
- 59 I'll be fine.
- 60 Yeah, we got this.
- 61 Sit down!
- 62 Wish me luck.
- 63 Other way, buster.
- 64 Okay, you ready?
- 65 Yeah, almost.
- 66 I'm working on my facial expressions.
- 67 See, uh, I've got interested.
- 68 Hmm.
- 69 I've got very interested.
- 70 Hmm. Enraged.
- 71 Why would you be enraged?
- 72 Hmm.
- 73 Better to have it and not need it than to need it and not have it.
- 74 Okay.
- 75 And...
- 76 rolling.

- 77 Hello.
- 78 I am theoretical physicist, Dr.
- 79 Sheldon Cooper, auditioning for the role of Professor Proton.
- 80 Now, excuse me while I get into character.
- 81 Hello.
- 82 I am Professor Proton.
- 83 And today, boys and girls, we're going to have fun with science.
- 84 Did you know you could calculate the mass of an electron using household items?
- 85 It's true.
- 86 All you'll need is a pencil, some paper, dry ice, rubbing alcohol, and a spool of -micron-thick cobalt- wire.
- 87 And, remember, don't put it in your mouth, or instead of becoming a scientist, you'll become wildly radioactive.
- 88 Hang on.
- 89 I have a question.
- 90 Do you have any experiments that aren't life-threatening?
- 91 Come on!
- 92 That was a perfect take, and you ruined it.
- 93 Oh, look!
- 94 Hey, I did need enraged.
- 95 Ow.
- 96 Ow.
- 97 Ow.
- 98 Ow.
- 99 Really hurts, huh?
- 100 BERNADETTE: No.
- 101 He's just saying, "Ow can these prices be so low".
- 102 It's gonna be okay.
- 103 A day or two of rest, and you'll be fine.
- 104 You know nothing about Jewish people.
- 105 (Halley crying over monitor)
- 106 Um, let me go check on her.
- 107 Okay, uh, this is a bit awkward.
- 108 It says here that I need to check the area for redness and swelling.
- 109 You know what?
- 110 It hurts so much, go ahead.
- 111 So you see, boys and girls, H, or helicity, is the natural variable to use relativistically and is defined as S dot P, divided by the magnitude of P.
- 112 So the next time someone on the playground tells you you can only use integral values for the matrix that determines the spin of the antiproton, you stop being friends with that kid, 'cause he's going nowhere.
- 113 Until next week, this is Professor Proton saying, .
- 114 That's "bye" in ASCII binary, or good-binary.
- 115 (laughing)
- 116 (snorts)

- 117 So, what do you think?
- 118 AMY: Well, I already told him that I loved it, but if you found it confusing or dangerous or—I don't know—three to four times too long, now is the time to share.
- 119 I...
- 120 I don't know what to say.
- 121 Leonard, do you know what to say?
- 122 Sheldon, uh, I thought it, uh...
- 123 It-it looked like you were having so much fun.
- 124 Hey!
- 125 That's what you used to tell me to say to Penny after one of her terrible plays.
- 126 Hey!
- 127 Hey!
- 128 Well, what was wrong with it?
- 129 You know, did you find it...
- 130 borderline psychotic?
- 131 I mean, I liked that about it, but...
- 132 you guys discuss.
- 133 Do you remember when you were a kid and you'd watch Professor Proton?
- 134 Of course.
- 135 Well, did he ever make you— I don't know— hate science and the people who do it?
- 136 What are you saying?
- 137 I-I just think it would be...
- 138 better if your contempt for children wasn't so much in the foreground.
- 139 Well, you want me to lie?
- 140 Well, it's not lying- it's acting.
- 141 Sheldon Cooper may not like kids, but Professor Proton loves them.
- 142 Interesting.
- 143 You know, I hadn't really thought of it that way.
- 144 It-It's similar to how I'm afraid of dogs, but my DD character likes dogs, you know?
- 145 But he's allergic, so he can't be around them.
- 146 Why don't we have a dog?
- 147 Hey, you can always reshoot it.
- 148 Mm, I suppose.
- 149 And, you know, may be I could even get some tips from someone who's acted professionally.
- 150 PENNY: Oh.
- 151 Sheldon, obviously, I'd be happy to help you out.
- 152 I don't know what to say.
- 153 Hey, Sheldon.
- 154 What's up?
- 155 I need an acting coach.
- 156 Oh.

- 157 Would you give me Patrick Stewart's number?
- 158 No.
- 159 Fine.
- 160 I guess you can do it.
- 161 (bell ringing)
- 162 WOLOWITZ: Bernie?
- 163 Where did you get a bell?
- 164 App store.
- 165 (bell ringing)
- 166 Fun.
- 167 Let me see.
- 168 (chuckles)
- 169 When you catch me, you can have it back.
- 170 You want to lie down, watch a movie?
- 171 I can't.
- 172 I got my -week checkup to get to, and then I'll pick up some Chinese for dinner.
- 173 I'll take Halley with me.
- 174 You-you sure you're not overdoing it?
- 175 No, it's fine.
- 176 Great.
- 177 Then maybe, instead of Chinese, fire up the grill and throw on a couple of steaks?
- 178 Kung pao chicken, please.
- 179 Oh, boy.
- 180 What?
- 181 They cast the new Professor Proton.
- 182 Is it Sheldon?
- 183 Not exactly.
- 184 SHELDON: Wheaton!
- 185 It's Wil Wheaton.
- 186 BERNADETTE: Hi.
- 187 Hey.
- 188 How was the doctor?
- 189 Good, but I have some news.
- 190 Don't say twins.
- 191 Don't say twins.
- 192 Don't say twins.
- 193 Don't say twins.
- 194 It's not twins.
- 195 Oh.
- 196 I mean, because I would have loved them both.
- 197 The doctor said I was overdoing it, so she put me on bed rest just to be safe.
- 198 Oh, no.
- 199 It may not look like it, but I'm running to you!

- 200 (insects trilling, birds chirping)
- 201 Hello, Arthur.
- 202 What-what part of "rest in peace" don't you understand?
- 203 I suppose you're here because you heard the news?
- 204 Sheldon, I'm a figment of your imagination.
- 205 I don't hear news.
- 206 You're a grumpy figment.
- 207 Look, they're remaking your show, and they cast Wil Wheaton as Professor Proton.
- 208 And the worst part is, he's not even a scientist.
- 209 No, the-the worst part is, I'm sitting on a moist log.
- 210 We have to stop this and protect your legacy.
- 211 What legacy?
- 212 My-my last two seasons, I was on Sunday morning at:.
- 213 We-we were beat by Davey and Goliath. I can't believe you don't care.
- 214 Believe it.
- 215 Well, I care, a lot, and Wil Wheaton will rue the day he ever met me.
- 216 I think that's true of most people.
- 217 (light knocking)
- 218 Hi, guys.
- 219 Wanted to check in and see how you two were doing.
- 220 We're okay.
- 221 Yeah, hanging out in bed with my wife, thawing out some frozen peas in my pants—living the dream.
- 222 (Halley crying)
- 223 Oh, I'll get her.
- 224 I thought Raj was helping you out.
- 225 No, he had to work.
- 226 Plus, he has a quota for the amount of Indian servant jokes he can tolerate,
- and, apparently, I filled it.
- 227 Well, you're...
- 228 I can get the baby.
- 229 No, Howie's got it.
- 230 He's fine.
- 231 Right, Howie?
- 232 (strained) : Never better.
- 233 Don't be silly.
- 234 I'll take the rest of the day off and watch Halley for you.
- 235 Or we can call Stuart.
- 236 I'm sure he could close up the store, hop on a bus, and be here in no time.
- 237 He does love the bus.
- 238 Okay, hang on.
- 239 Do you guys not trust me to take care of your baby?
- 240 (chuckling): No.
- 241 No!
- 242 No.

- 243 No.
- 244 So I-I guess...
- 245 no.
- 246 Wow.
- 247 It's not that we don't trust you—it's just you don't seem like much of a baby person.
- 248 Hey, hey, hey, I can watch your stupid baby, okay?
- 249 If she cries, I will pick her up.
- 250 If she's hungry, I'll give her a bottle.
- 251 And if she poops, I'll light some incense.
- 252 It would be a big help.
- 253 Okay.
- 254 Thank you.
- 255 Trust me, you guys have nothing to worry about.
- 256 You know, back in Nebraska, I raised all our baby pigs right until the day they were slaughtered.
- 257 So, unless your baby's made of breakfast meat, she's fine.
- 258 Would you ever get a vasectomy?
- 259 Uh, in case you haven't noticed, Indians aren't too big on birth control.
- 260 There's probably, like, a million more of us since we started this conversation.
- 261 Ugh.
- 262 You okay?
- 263 No.
- 264 No, all these comments online about Wil, they're nothing but supportive and kind.
- 265 Where's the mean, snarky Internet that shows up every time I get a haircut?
- 266 You know that's us, right?
- 267 Well, luckily, I got the number of the company who's trying to reboot the show, so I need you all to call and register your displeasure.
- 268 Sheldon, no one's gonna do that.
- 269 Not true.
- 270 I know of three calls they've received already: a-a Southern gentleman,
- um, a Cockney chimney sweep, and, uh, Mr.
- 271 T, hmm?
- 272 Who- spoiler alert- pities the fool who tries to reboot that show.
- 273 What about tiresome lunatic with a bad haircut?
- 274 Has he called yet?
- 275 Come on.
- 276 How many times have we banded together to try to save a show that we loved?
- 277 L-Let's shake things up and try to kill one.
- 278 Isn't the important thing that there's a show to get kids excited about science?
- 279 Who cares about kids and what they like?

- 280 This is about me and something I liked when-when I was a kid.
- 281 What if the reboot is great?
- 282 That's even worse.
- 283 If-if I like it, I'll feel like I'm being disloyal to Arthur.
- 284 He was a mentor and a friend, and I won't toss him aside for some Hollywood pretty boy like Wil Wheaton.
- 285 It's hard to argue with him.
- 286 Because he makes no sense?
- 287 Yeah.
- 288 This is actually kind of nice, you and me getting to spend a couple days in bed together.
- 289 Yeah.
- 290 Pretty soon, we're gonna have two crying babies in the house.
- 291 (sighs)
- 292 I'm glad my balls hurt.
- 293 It's all their fault.
- 294 Well, let's just enjoy this quiet time while we still got it.
- 295 Yeah.
- 296 Yeah, it is really quiet.
- 297 You think Penny's doing okay?
- 298 Penny, everything all right?!
- 299 (footsteps approaching)
- 300 Hey.
- 301 All good.
- 302 Dipped her pacifier in a little bourbon, she conked right out.
- 303 I hope you're joking.
- 304 Of course I'm joking.
- 305 I don't share my bourbon.
- 306 She's joking.
- 307 (chuckles)
- 308 Definitely.
- 309 Probably.
- 310 Wil Wheaton.
- 311 Wil Wheaton.
- 312 This is Sheldon, by the way.
- 313 Hi, Sheldon.
- 314 Here, I found this pizza flyer in your fence.
- 315 Thank you.
- 316 Okay, now you owe me a favor.
- 317 Turn down the role of Professor Proton.
- 318 (chuckles)
- 319 I don't think so.
- 320 You can't be Professor Proton.
- 321 You're not a scientist.
- 322 Well, I was never on a starship, but pretending I was bought me this house.

- 323 And if I'd pretended a little longer, it would have a swimming pool.
- 324 Some things shouldn't be rebooted.
- 325 Some things were perfect the way they were.
- 326 Like the walled city of York- it was a delight.
- 327 But New York?
- 328 Blech.
- 329 Did you ever consider that maybe Arthur would be happy to know that his show has outlived him?
- 330 I doubt it.
- 331 He was kind of a mean old crank.
- 332 Sheldon, I promise that I will work my hardest to make this show great so that a whole new generation of kids will grow up and they will be able to say that Professor Proton was the reason they got into science.
- 333 Wow.
- 334 That was very persuasive.
- 335 Thanks.
- 336 But I won't be seduced by your acting skills nor your movie star charisma.
- 337 There's only one Professor Proton, and he had neither of those things.
- 338 I'll give you one more chance to bow out.
- 339 Or what?
- 340 When we first met, we were enemies, but we worked through that and we became friends.
- 341 Do you really want to go back?
- 342 Honestly, it doesn't feel very different.
- 343 I'm not leaving!
- 344 All right, I'm gonna sic my dog on you.
- 345 You don't have a dog.
- 346 Yes, I do.
- 347 Ugh, I can't tell if you're lying- you're such a good actor!
- 348 Hey, how you doing?
- 349 What are you doing here?
- 350 Oh, I just came by, you know, to see if you need any help.
- 351 Howard and Bernadette asked you to check up on me.
- 352 That is not entirely true.
- 353 So did Leonard and...
- 354 everybody.
- 355 How irresponsible do you all think I am?
- 356 We don't think you're irresponsible.
- 357 We think you're...
- 358 fun-loving.
- 359 That is just a nice word for "irresponsible." Hmm.
- 360 You might be more on the ball than we thought.
- 361 I'm getting a little hungry.
- 362 Want me to get it this time?
- 363 That'd be great.
- 364 (bell ringing)

- 365 This is fun.
- 366 And now you also get to see an annoyed blonde walk into the room.
- 367 What?
- 368 Can you get us a little snack?
- 369 You sure you don't want your spy to do it?
- 370 What are you talking about?
- 371 You really don't trust me?
- 372 You had to have Amy stop by?
- 373 We trust you.
- 374 Yeah.
- 375 You were a terrible waitress, and we still asked you to get us a snack.
- 376 (Halley crying)
- 377 Excuse me while I go take care of your baby.
- 378 Then I'll bring you your snack, and you can insult me some more.
- 379 (crying continues)
- 380 I don't know about you, but I am not eating whatever she brings us.
- 381 PENNY: Hey, Halley.
- 382 Aw, it's okay.
- 383 Auntie Penny's here.
- 384 Shh.
- 385 Let's get you changed.
- 386 Your mommy and daddy say they trust me, but they're full of the same stuff your diaper is.
- 387 (crying stops)
- 388 Now I feel bad.
- 389 Well, she never really liked me.
- 390 It's kind of nice she hates you now, too.
- 391 Aw, but I'm here for you, and I would never let anything happen to you, because your Auntie Penny loves you so much.
- 392 HALLEY: Mama.
- 393 Was that her first word?
- 394 Mama.
- 395 PENNY: Uh, no.
- 396 No, baby.
- 397 I'm not your mama.
- 398 Your mama's the nice lady we're gonna go see right now so I can rub this in her face
- 399 Do you hear that, suckers?
- 400 She called me Mama!
- 401 (insects trilling, birds chirping)
- 402 Hello, Arthur.
- 403 You-you know, we could...
- 404 we could also meet in-in a deli.
- 405 I'm sorry to say that I failed you.
- 406 I tried to stop Wil Wheaton being Professor Proton, but I couldn't.
- 407 See, now, that's-that's the kind of thing you could tell a fella over a...

- 408 pastrami sandwich.
- 409 Well, don't worry.
- 410 He's now on my enemies list forever.
- 411 He's totally cut off.
- 412 Interesting.
- 413 Can-can anyone sign-sign up for that list?

## 3.7 Episode 07: The Geology Methodology

- 1 Hey, uh, who's free tonight?
- 2 - Oh, I think I'm...
- 3 - Hang on.
- 4 We've made this mistake before.
- 5 It's how we wound up at his cousin Deepak's Tupperware party.
- 6 Hey, you use that collapsible bowl all the time, and you know it.
- 7 And it's not like that.
- 8 I just thought we could, you know, hang out and go to a bar.
- 9 - Sure.
- 10 - Very well.
- 11 - Sounds fun.
- 12 And watch cricket.
- 13 That sound you hear, ironically, crickets.
- 14 Hey, guys.
- 15 - Hey, Bert.
- 16 - ¿How you doing?
- 17 Well, you know, we geologists always get a little sad when Rocktober's over.
- 18 - Wordplay?
- 19 - Yes.
- 20 Funny wordplay?
- 21 - What do you think?
- 22 - Eh.
- 23 Trust your gut.
- 24 Sheldon, I've got these four-billion-year-old meteorites.
- 25 I thought maybe they'd show signs of neutrino interactions.
- 26 I could really use someone like you to help me with the math.
- 27 Oh, so they would act as natural dark matter detectors.
- 28 That sounds interesting.
- 29 It does, but it's still geology.
- 30 Sorry, Bert, I don't have time to play rocks with you.
- 31 I'm not asking you to play rocks.
- 32 I'm asking you to collaborate on a research project.
- 33 Although, if there's time, I guess we could play a round of zinc, zinc, piece of quartz.
- 34 Does sound better than cricket.
- 35 Thank you for asking.
- 36 Unfortunately, I have real science to do.

- 37 But you feel free to rock on.
- 38 That's how you do it.
- 39 All right.
- 40 Sheldon, what are you doing?
- 41 Bert's one of the top guys in his field.
- 42 And somewhere there's a mime who's top in his field, but you don't see me rushing to collaborate with him on new ways to be stuck in a box.
- 43 Also something I would watch instead of cricket.
- 44 Oh.
- 45 (chuckles)
- 46 Hello.
- 47 Hey, Sheldon.
- 48 I've been thinking about it, and I suppose I-I could help you with your research.
- 49 What changed your mind?
- 50 Bert, I'm a gift horse.
- 51 Don't look me in the mouth.
- 52 Sorry.
- 53 I'm happy you want to help out.
- 54 If it's easier for you, we could just work at your office.
- 55 No, no, no, not my office, no.
- 56 Uh, let's-let's do it here, in-in the evenings, after everyone's gone home.
- 57 I just have to see if my evenings are free.
- 58 That's a joke.
- 59 They are.
- 60 Okay.
- 61 Well, then I will see you tonight.
- 62 (gasps)
- 63 Well, you know what?
- 64 (stammers)
- 65 Close the blinds.
- 66 We can start right now.
- 67 Our whole universe was in a hot, dense state
- 68 Then nearly billion years ago expansion started...
- 69 Wait!
- 70 -
- 71 The Earth began to cool
- 72 The autotrophs began to drool, Neanderthals developed tools
- 73 We built the Wall
- 74 We built the pyramids
- 75 Math, Science, History, unraveling the mystery
- 76 That all started with a big bang
- 77 Bang!
- 78 (crowd cheering)
- 79 (sportscast playing over TV)
- 80 I don't get how you can enjoy cricket.

- 81 It makes no sense.
- 82 Did you just come here to complain?
- 83 Yeah.
- 84 That's the sport of my people.
- 85 Ooh, that's Ravichandran Ashwin.
- 86 He's amazing.
- 87 He makes Hardik Pandya look like Bhuvneshwar Kumar.
- 88 Oh, whoa, whoa, whoa, save some syllables for the rest of us.
- 89 Hey, I think that's Bernadette's friend over there.
- 90 KOOTHRAPPALI: Oh, yeah.
- 91 Hey, Ruchi!
- 92 I-I hope this isn't awkward.
- 93 The last time we met, I kind of embarrassed myself.
- 94 Let's see if you can go two for two.
- 95 Hey, guys.
- 96 Hey.
- 97 - Hi.
- 98 - Are you here by yourself?
- 99 Yeah, I couldn't convince anyone to come watch cricket with me.
- 100 (chuckles)
- 101 Tell me about it.
- 102 I had to drag this guy.
- 103 You're more than welcome to join us if you'd like.
- 104 Thanks.
- 105 (crowd groans)
- 106 Arre uske taang pay ball kar! What'd she say?
- 107 Uske taang pay ball kar. Oh, that clears that up.
- 108 Well, no, she's telling the bowler to bowl a yorker.
- 109 It's the most brutal ball in cricket.
- 110 I was at the match when Shoaib bowled back-to-back yorkers.
- 111 Well, I was there, too!
- 112 What a coincidence!
- 113 Well, there were, people at that match, so...
- 114 Yeah, India, right?
- 115 Everywhere you go, there's, like, , people.
- 116 (chuckles)
- 117 So what do you think of our chances at the World Cup?
- 118 Ah, World Cup.
- 119 You know, it'll all depend if Kohli's batting in form.
- 120 I know.
- 121 It doesn't even matter how many all-rounders you have.
- 122 Isn't that the truth?
- 123 You know, I was the best leg spinner in my high school?
- 124 Yeah, like, I bowled the meanest googly.
- 125 Speaking of googlies, I'm gonna go.
- 126 I've been modeling different types of dark matter and the traces they

would leave on the zircon inside your meteorite.

- 127 What's this one here?
- 128 That's actually a dark matter model of my own creation.
- 129 I call it the Cooper Boson.
- 130 Cool.
- 131 I got to name a rock once.
- 132 I named it Moderately Sedimented Shale.
- 133 Guess I kind of pooped the bed on that one.
- 134 You know, Bert, I've got to say, this work has been surprisingly engaging.
- 135 Yeah, it's pretty cool.
- 136 (ringtone playing)
- 137 Hello, Amy.
- 138 (stammers)
- 139 What do you mean, where am I?
- 140 I'm in my office.
- 141 No, I'm at your office and you're not here.
- 142 I thought I'd surprise you with dinner.
- 143 For future reference, the best surprises are the ones I know about three days in advance.
- 144 Where are you?
- 145 It's a surprise.
- 146 Doesn't feel so good, does it?
- 147 Well, I have food.
- 148 I thought we could eat together, but I guess if you have other plans...
- 149 What?!
- 150 I'm here!
- 151 Exactly where I said I was.
- 152 (panting)
- 153 Let's eat.
- 154 Hello.
- 155 - Hey, buddy, what's up?
- 156 - Hey.
- 157 Um, I need to talk to Penny alone.
- 158 (laughs)
- 159 What can I do for you?
- 160 Just a minute, I want to make sure Leonard can't hear us.
- 161 (loudly): I've got a box of cupcakes.
- 162 Okay, we're good.
- 163 I'm working with Bert, but I don't want anyone to find out.
- 164 Well, you just told me, so strong start.
- 165 Penny, this is serious.
- 166 My reputation is on the line.
- 167 What are people gonna think when they see us collaborating?
- 168 I don't know.
- 169 Poor Bert?
- 170 I am a respected theoretical physicist.

- 171 I aspire to win a Nobel Prize someday.
- 172 But nobody's gonna take me seriously if they find out I've been dabbling in geology.
- 173 Well, why not?
- 174 They're both sciences.
- 175 And I know because they're classes my high school counselor said "weren't for me." They're very different.
- 176 Physics answers the question: what is the nature of the universe?
- 177 Geology answers the question: what'd I just trip over?
- 178 All right, well, then don't work with Bert.
- 179 Oh, but I like the work.
- 180 Then work with him.
- 181 Yeah, but I'm ashamed of the field.
- 182 - Then don't work with him.
- 183 - Yeah, but we could prove dark matter.
- 184 Then work with him.
- 185 But I just think that people...
- 186 How many times are you gonna do this?
- 187 My record is .
- 188 Okay, this is about science.
- 189 Why'd you come to me?
- 190 Well, because it's also about my reputation.
- 191 And somehow you manage to hold your head high despite your checkered past.
- 192 Checkered past?
- 193 It's a figure of speech referring to how sexually promiscuous you were.
- 194 Really?
- 195 Well, I've got a figure of speech about how sexually promiscuous you can go be with yourself.
- 196 And what is it?
- 197 Look, while Bernadette's on bed rest, we're gonna have to divide and conquer.
- 198 I've got one monitor for her, one for the baby.
- 199 Which do you want?
- 200 I'll take the baby.
- 201 She's less emasculating.
- 202 Good morning!
- 203 Scones?
- 204 Ah, thanks.
- 205 They're all for you; I already had breakfast at Ruchi's.
- 206 You're kidding.
- 207 You slept with her?
- 208 Well, there wasn't a lot of sleeping involved.
- 209 I mean, she slept, I stayed awake.
- 210 I was afraid of snoring 'cause I didn't have my special pillow.
- 211 BERNADETTE: Howard!

- 212 Can you help me to the bathroom?!
- 213 Well, at least the romance is still alive.
- 214 So, you and Ruchi?
- 215 Yeah, I'm sorry.
- 216 I know you liked her, too, but we just bumped into each other last night and hit it off.
- 217 No, that's fine.
- 218 You're my friend and I'm happy for you.
- 219 Oh, thank you, Stuart.
- 220 Plus, I don't know how you're gonna screw it up, but I know you will.
- 221 What's there to screw up?
- 222 She just wants to keep things casual.
- 223 Oh, great, that's how you're gonna screw it up.
- 224 Hey, I can be casual.
- 225 Mm-hmm.
- 226 I should get a haircut; this thing's going south fast.
- 227 So Ruchi and I decided to keep things casual.
- 228 (scoffs)
- 229 What?
- 230 What?
- 231 I can handle casual.
- 232 (scoffs): Oh...
- 233 Why do you keep doing that with your face?
- 234 Because you keep saying stupid things with yours.
- 235 Okay, fine.
- 236 I'm not great at casual relationships, and I don't want to scare her off.
- 237 All right, just give her some space, all right?
- 238 Don't call, don't text, don't e-mail.
- 239 That's crazy.
- 240 What if I see a sunset that reminds me of her?
- 241 All right, when do you see her next?
- 242 Uh, we're having dinner tonight.
- 243 Okay, put a rubber band around your wrist, and any time you start planning your wedding or naming your children, I want you to stab yourself in the hand with a fork.
- 244 What's the rubber band for?
- 245 To slow the bleeding.
- 246 Hey, how's Bernadette handling bed rest?
- 247 She lies around all day eating Mallomars and hollering at me, so her transformation from my wife to my mother is complete.
- 248 Congratulations.
- 249 I know that's what you were hoping for.
- 250 Sheldon, you left your jacket in my office last night.
- 251 Uh, oh.
- 252 No-no, I didn't.
- 253 That's-that's not my jacket.

- 254 Then why does it say, "Property of S.
- 255 Cooper.
- 256 Stop touching it"?
- 257 It sounds like someone named Scooper doesn't want you touching his jacket.
- 258 Are you guys working together on that meteorite project?
- 259 (sighs)
- 260 Yes, fine, you found me out.
- 261 I'm doing geology.
- 262 Just, please, don't tell anyone.
- 263 Are you embarrassed of me?
- 264 Oh, no, no, no, not you.
- 265 No, just the work that you've devoted your entire life to.
- 266 If you're ashamed to be working with me, then I don't want to work with you.
- 267 Sheldon, that was pretty rude.
- 268 Well, what do you expect?
- 269 He's a geologist.
- 270 This place seems nice.
- 271 Uh, but not too nice.
- 272 Yelp called it "good for groups." Would you care to buy the lady a...?
- 273 No!
- 274 Get out of here!
- 275 Sorry about that.
- 276 I just, I hate when someone assumes two people are dating just because they look like they would make beautiful babies together.
- 277 Are you sure you're okay with this?
- 278 Honestly, Ruchi, I don't have a lot of experience with casual relationships.
- 279 I have some experience with serious relationships and a ton of experience with no relationships.
- 280 You're funny.
- 281 Glad it came off that way.
- 282 (chuckles)
- 283 Uh, so tell me about your day.
- 284 How's work going?
- 285 Well, I spent the morning reviewing side effects for our fungal cream, so it was a lot of ooze and pus.
- 286 Oh, almost paradise
- 287 We're knocking on heaven's door
- 288 Almost paradise...
- 289 And then I had to catalog it by color, viscosity and percentage of blood.
- 290 Paradise.
- 291 Sounds wonderful.
- 292 Hey.
- 293 Hmm.
- 294 What you got there?

- 295 A rock.
- 296 Did some mean boys throw it at you?
- 297 It turns out I'm the mean boy.
- 298 Although I did drop it on my own foot, so kind of.
- 299 What's going on?
- 300 What if there was something I wanted to do, but I was worried other people would think less of me?
- 301 Is that other person me, and does it happen in the bedroom, in which case I think I'm cool with it?
- 302 No.
- 303 It's about working with Bert on...
- 304 You know what?
- 305 I'm not even gonna say it.
- 306 I am just gonna say the letter it starts with and "ology." "G" Oh, no, that's not gonna work.
- 307 Geology?
- 308 Yes.
- 309 But we parted ways because I was worried about my reputation.
- 310 Sheldon, you've never cared what people thought, even when you really, really should.
- 311 That dinner with my parents comes to mind.
- 312 If I'm not gonna use "your momma" jokes when I meet your mother, why'd I bother to learn them?
- 313 I'm just saying, if you think the work is interesting, nothing else should matter.
- 314 You're right, Amy.
- 315 That is sage advice.
- 316 Which is surprising, considering your momma is so dumb, she...
- 317 Nope.
- 318 She studied for a urine test.
- 319 I was supposed to go back to India and get married, but I realized it wasn't what I wanted.
- 320 So I called off the engagement and moved out here.
- 321 Well, if he wasn't your soul mate, he wasn't your soul mate.
- 322 Oh, God, please tell me you're not one of those.
- 323 One of whats?
- 324 I want to say teenage girls, but that sounds mean.
- 325 Come on, you don't believe that everyone has one perfect match?
- 326 Of course not.
- 327 That's ridiculous.
- 328 I mean, what if your soul mate lived halfway across the world?
- 329 You'd never meet.
- 330 Yes, you would.
- 331 I can give you, like, examples where that happened to Kate Hudson alone.
- 332 You know what?
- 333 People get upset when I talk about this.

- 334 Let's just change the subject.
- 335 No, no, no.
- 336 No, it's-it's fine.
- 337 Are you saying that you don't believe two people fall in love?
- 338 Of course they do.
- 339 It's just that what people call "love" is actually a series of biochemical reactions in the brain that fade over time.
- 340 Yes.
- 341 Like the old song, "When a man has a biochemical reaction for a woman."
- Raj, we're scientists.
- 342 We don't need to feel threatened just because we understand the mechanisms that give rise to romantic feelings.
- 343 It doesn't take anything away from the experience.
- 344 Yes, it does.
- 345 Actually, it takes everything away from it.
- 346 Love isn't just science.
- 347 Okay?
- 348 It's-it's spiritual.
- 349 It's an acknowledgment of a mystery that's greater than ourselves.
- 350 It's what makes people write songs and poems, and what has kept The Bachelor on TV for magical seasons.
- 351 Don't you think the fact that love is given away as a prize on a game show slightly undermines your argument?
- 352 Uh, yes.
- 353 But I've never missed an episode, and I dare science to explain that.
- 354 Bert.
- 355 Bert, Bert.
- 356 Bert, Bert, Bert.
- 357 What do you want, Sheldon?
- 358 I would like us to work together again.
- 359 I promise to keep my geology comments to myself, because while some of them are funny, all of them are mean.
- 360 Well, this is awkward.
- 361 Leonard, what are you doing here?
- 362 Bert asked for my help.
- 363 BERT: Yeah, he's an excellent scientist, and he doesn't tell me what time I can go to the bathroom.
- 364 It's called bladder training.
- 365 When you're in your s, you'll thank me for it.
- 366 Look, Sheldon, you were a jerk to Bert, and he walked away from you.
- 367 So I feel like there's a lot he could teach me.
- 368 Bert, please.
- 369 (stammers)
- 370 I know I behaved poorly in the past, but things will be different this time.
- 371 You'll see.
- 372 Come on, let me in.

- 373 We'll have some laughs, we'll calculate some isotope ratios.
- 374 I'm sorry, Sheldon.
- 375 So you just shut the door in his face?
- 376 I got to start writing this stuff down.
- 377 I mean, Ruchi's nice.
- 378 We're just so different.
- 379 I know.
- 380 Sometimes when you're dating, you meet weird people.
- 381 I once met a girl who didn't like juggling.
- 382 And she still doesn't.
- 383 So you're not gonna see her again?
- 384 What's the point?
- 385 We're never gonna be in a real relationship.
- 386 Right, so you'll only be in a physical one?
- 387 Exactly.
- 388 Why would I want to spend time with someone like that?
- 389 Someone who is just interested in s\*x?
- 390 Yeah.
- 391 Raj, do you real...
- 392 Whoa, hold on.
- 393 Give him a chance.
- 394 He's gonna get this.
- 395 I don't think he is.
- 396 What is there to get?
- 397 She doesn't want to fall in love.
- 398 At that point, all we are is two single people who find each other attractive and enjoy having—Oh, got to go!
- 399 So how was your night with Ruchi?
- 400 Oh, great.
- 401 We ordered in some food, we had s\*x, I left.
- 402 I didn't even ask if she enjoyed it.
- 403 (chuckles)
- 404 I can field that one for her.
- 405 I mean, I did get a little misty when we said good-bye, but I played it off as allergies.
- 406 I don't know if she bought it.
- 407 Again, I know.
- 408 Sheldon?
- 409 You okay?
- 410 Sheldon.
- 411 Oh, almost paradise
- 412 We're knocking on heaven's door
- 413 Almost paradise
- 414 How could we ask for more?
- 415 Paradise.

#### 3.8 Episode 08: The Tesla Recoil

- 1 Can we start the movie?
- 2 Before Sheldon gets here?
- 3 Last time we did that, he didn't talk to us for a month.
- 4 So do it!
- 5 Hold on.
- 6 Where is he?
- 7 Well, according to his text, he was on the second floor, then he stopped to tie his shoe.
- 8 (phone chimes)
- 9 All tied, and...
- 10 Hello!
- 11 Hi.
- 12 Sorry we're late.
- 13 Amy took forever tying my shoe.
- 14 KOOTHRAPPALI: All right!
- 15 Who's excited to see a documentary?
- 16 Oh, I know this one.
- 17 Nobody ever.
- 18 Hey!
- 19 This one's going to be great.
- 20 This is about the rivalry between a cool renegade scientist, Nikola Tesla, and his arch-nemesis, Thomas Edison.
- 21 It's the greatest scientific feud of all time.
- 22 I mean, you can forget about Leibniz and Newton.
- 23 Done.
- 24 So, Tesla's the one that invented the electric car?
- 25 (laughter)
- 26 SHELDON: No, Penny.
- 27 No, the car is just named after him.
- 28 Okay, you don't have to be so smug about it.
- 29 You know, you went to see that movie It because you thought it was about scary I.T. guys.
- 30 Tesla was a genius who invented our electrical grid.
- 31 Edison just wanted to get rich and famous.
- 32 Didn't he invent the lightbulb?
- 33 That's what he wants you to think.
- 34 But without the foundational work of Ebenezer Kinnersley, Warren de la Rue and James Bowman Lindsay, you wouldn't know Edison any more than you know Ebenezer Kinnersley, Warren de la Rue or James Bowman Lindsay.
- 35 Isn't he sexy all fired up?
- 36 He really gets my current alternating, if you know what I mean.
- 37 Edison was kind of a publicity hog and a bully.
- 38 Yeah, he electrocuted an elephant named Topsy just to make himself famous.

- 39 If I had an elephant named Topsy, he would want for nothing.
- 40 Also, he'd be named Jumbo.
- 41 And worse than that, Edison filmed the first on-screen kiss, so he's basically a pornographer.
- 42 Although every time I put that in Wikipedia, someone takes it out.
- 43 Is your current still alternating?
- 44 We're lucky there aren't any elephants in here.
- 45 Our whole universe was in a hot, dense state
- 46 Then nearly billion years ago expansion started... Wait!
- 47 The Earth began to cool
- 48 The autotrophs began to drool, Neanderthals developed tools
- 49 We built the Wall
- 50 We built the pyramids
- 51 Math, Science, History, unraveling the mystery
- 52 That all started with a big bang
- 53 Bang!
- 54 You know, that documentary last night was actually better than I thought it would be.
- 55 Really?
- 56 Should've been about Samuel Morse the way they telegraphed that ending.
- 57 I already pretended to laugh at that joke once.
- 58 Do I have to do it again?
- 59 Yeah, I'd appreciate it.
- 60 (chuckles)
- 61 (forced laugh): Samuel Morse.
- 62 You kill me.
- 63 Leonard, can you drive me to work?
- 64 Yeah, sure.
- 65 Oh, hey, the guys and I were talking about going to see the Tesla coil at the observatory later on, if you want to join.
- 66 Oh, I'm sorry, I can't.
- 67 I'm busy.
- 68 Why?
- 69 What are you doing?
- 70 Leonard, what are you doing?
- 71 He said he can't go.
- 72 Make a sad face, move on.
- 73 It's fine.
- 74 I couldn't tell you even if I wanted to.
- 75 What does that mean?
- 76 Leonard!
- 77 Sad face, sad face.
- 78 I mean, I would like to, but I just can't, you know, because it's classified and top secret.
- 79 Hold on, are you still working for the military?
- 80 I'm so glad you figured that out!

- 81 It was killing me keeping it a secret!
- 82 I thought they fired you guys.
- 83 They did, but then they hired me back.
- 84 Well, you better not be working on our project, because we're a team.
- 85 Leonard, there is no "I" in team.
- 86 However, there is an "I" in "I'm working with the military and you're not." There's five of them, in fact.
- 87 (knock on door)
- 88 Hey, hey.
- 89 I got a big surprise for you.
- 90 Is it pie and ice cream?
- 91 (chuckles)
- 92 Wow, did I oversell it.
- 93 It's Raj and Ruchi!
- 94 Hello.
- 95 Hey.
- 96 Hi.
- 97 Hey, what are you two doing here?
- 98 RUCHI: We won't stay long.
- 99 I just wanted to drop something off from me and the girls at work.
- 100 None of the girls at work like me enough to get me a gift.
- 101 Okay, so you'll know why everyone at the office has the same handwriting.
- 102 I really appreciate the thought, but it's not necessary.
- 103 I'll be back soon.
- 104 Don't worry about work.
- 105 You take all the time you need.
- 106 Yeah, just turn off your brain and let your uterus do its magic.
- 107 It's the star of the show now.
- 108 Okay, wasn't sure how long I should let you guys stay.
- 109 Now I know!
- 110 Get out!
- 111 Good to see you.
- 112 You look amazing.
- 113 Thanks for coming!
- 114 (door closes)
- 115 That bitch.
- 116 Oh, come on, he means well.
- 117 He's just trying to impress his girlfriend.
- 118 I'm talking about Ruchi.
- 119 She's after my job.
- 120 Why do you think she said, "Take all the time you need"?
- 121 Because she was being nice?
- 122 No, she's trying to steal my projects while I'm at home taking care of this useless plant and my dumb family.
- 123 I'm only saying this because I love you and because you can't reach me from that bed, but you sound a little crazy.

- 124 I love you, too, but I could fling this card in your eye like a ninja throwing star.
- 125 I don't believe you.
- 126 Why would the military want Sheldon?
- 127 I don't know.
- 128 Target practice?
- 129 Well, he better not be working on our guidance system.
- 130 That was my idea.
- 131 Why don't we call Colonel Williams and find out what's going on.
- 132 Great.
- 133 I want answers and he'd better give them to us.
- 134 (line ringing)
- 135 Hello, gentlemen.
- 136 Hi, sir.
- 137 Um, Leonard has a question.
- 138 Hey, is Sheldon working on our project again?
- 139 Did he say that?
- 140 No, he wouldn't tell us.
- 141 Huh.
- 142 So he can keep his mouth shut.
- 143 How do I get him to do that?
- 144 Is he working on our guidance system or not?
- 145 Dr.
- 146 Cooper contacted us with an idea on how to modify your technology into a communication system, and it seemed interesting.
- 147 But our team developed that technology.
- 148 And he was your team leader.
- 149 Well, who said he was team leader?
- 150 He did.
- 151 And I like that kind of "take charge" attitude.
- 152 We can have "take charge" attitudes.
- 153 Then why didn't either of you ask to be team leader?
- 154 We didn't want to step on anyone's toes.
- 155 WOLOWITZ: Yeah, so we were just waiting for you to tell us who you thought—Okay, I hear it.
- 156 Are we done?
- 157 LEONARD: No, no.
- 158 I am taking charge right now and telling you that it is not okay with us if...
- 159 (call disconnects)
- 160 Okay, bye.
- 161 Hey.
- 162 I just got your text.
- 163 Everything okay?
- 164 Yeah, there's just something I need to ask you.
- 165 (gasps)

- 166 Oh, Bernie, I'd be thrilled.
- 167 It's not be my birth coach.
- 168 Okay, that hurts, but luckily I know how to breathe through it.
- 169 (breathing sharply)
- 170 I need you to find out if Ruchi's trying to steal my projects at work while I'm on bed rest.
- 171 She's not that kind of a person.
- 172 She's-she's generous and charitable.
- 173 You're just saying that 'cause she's sleeping with you.
- 174 Yes, that's my favorite charity.
- 175 I know I sound paranoid, but I'm feeling really vulnerable.
- 176 If there's anything you could find out, it'd be great.
- 177 And if she is up to anything, what are you gonna do?
- 178 Nothing.
- 179 I'll just calmly talk to her and explain there are certain boundaries that need to be respected.
- 180 It's really for the benefit of everyone at the company.
- 181 Uh, okay, what you're saying sounds nice, but the way you're saying it is causing my testicles to take cover in my abdomen.
- 182 What do you want to watch?
- 183 Oh, why don't you pick.
- 184 Okay, how about comedy?
- 185 Eh, I already laughed today.
- 186 I know.
- 187 It was when I stubbed my toe.
- 188 (chuckles)
- 189 Still funny.
- 190 Drama?
- 191 Nah, I've already seen someone cry today.
- 192 It really hurt, Sheldon!
- 193 (knock on door)
- 194 Hev.
- 195 We talked to Colonel Williams.
- 196 He told us everything.
- 197 I'm sorry, can we do this another time?
- 198 Amy's just about to realize she wants to watch a Hulk marathon.
- 199 What's going on?
- 200 Sheldon went to the Air Force behind our backs.
- 201 I did nothing of the sort.
- 202 I had an idea for a neutrino-based communication system, I presented it to them, and they were interested.
- 203 But y-your communication system was based on our guidance system.
- 204 And sonar is based on bats.
- 205 You don't see them hanging upside down in a patent attorney's office.
- 206 You know what, you like to think that you're just like Tesla, but the truth is you're exactly like Edison.

- 207 You take that back.
- 208 No, he's right.
- 209 You are a bully, a credit hog and a self-promoter.
- 210 And if anyone around here is like Tesla, it's us.
- 211 Yeah.
- 212 Can you believe they said I was just like Edison?
- 213 Yeah, and in front of a lady, no less.
- 214 Well, you are building on their work and taking the credit for it.
- 215 That's a classic Edison move.
- 216 Oh, yeah?
- 217 Well, if I'm Edison and you love me, then what does that say about you?
- 218 I honestly don't know.
- 219 Okay.
- 220 Well, I have to Google some stuff about Mrs. Edison.
- 221 I'll be right back.
- 222 You know whose fault this is?
- 223 I do.
- 224 Yours.
- 225 No, my mother's.
- 226 "Go make friends, Sheldon." What happens?
- 227 years later, they call me names.
- 228 I don't think what they called you is the point here.
- 229 Oh, yeah?
- 230 How would you feel if I called you the name of a neuroscientist you didn't like?
- 231 Do you know the name of any neuroscientist?
- 232 Of course.
- 233 Not me?
- 234 Then no.
- 235 Do you think they're right, Amy?
- 236 (stammers)
- 237 Do you think I'm like Edison?
- 238 Sheldon, I don't think you're upset because of what kind of scientist they said you're like.
- 239 I think you're upset because your friend' feelings got hurt.
- 240 You're right.
- 241 I care too much about other people's feelings.
- 242 It's always been my fatal flaw.
- 243 Sheldon, I don't think...
- 244 No, no, not now, Amy.
- 245 I'm growing as a person.
- 246 Ah, that was fun.
- 247 Put her there, buddy.
- 248 I am not fist bumping you after we have s\*x.
- 249 You're the one who wanted to keep things casual.
- 250 There's a difference between casual and weird.

- 251 Not the way I do it.
- 252 So, um... how was, how was your day?
- 253 Like, how's-how's work?
- 254 Oh, great.
- 255 With Bernadette gone, I'm getting to handle all her projects.
- 256 Well, she's-she's not gone.
- 257 She'll be back soon.
- 258 Not too soon, let's hope.
- 259 So it turns out Ruchi is totally trying to take over Bernadette's projects.
- 260 Wow, she just told you that out of the blue?
- 261 Yeah, yeah, we had just made love.
- 262 It was so beautiful.
- 263 Our caramel-colored bodies were entwined like erotic taffy...
- 264 Get to the point!
- 265 Oh.
- 266 Uh, sorry, uh, yeah.
- 267 I-I asked her about work, and she just admitted she has her eyes on Bernadette's projects.
- 268 Can't believe she would take advantage of a pregnant lady like that.
- 269 So what did you do?
- 270 What do you think I did?
- 271 I made small talk for minutes and had s\*x again.
- 272 You have to say something to Bernie.
- 273 I don't know.
- 274 If I do that, she's gonna confront Ruchi, and then Ruchi's gonna stop sleeping with me.
- 275 Raj, you can't go on sleeping with a woman who's trying to screw over your friend.
- 276 Can't or must?
- 277 You know, that guidance system was my idea.
- 278 You figured out how to make it work.
- 279 We didn't even need Sheldon.
- 280 Let's not forget your idea was based on my theory.
- 281 Hey, we're bagging on Sheldon here!
- 282 Focus!
- 283 I guess it was pretty smart using our quantum technology as the basis for a communication system.
- 284 Be even better if he swapped out the helium for xenon.
- 285 Ooh.
- 286 So instead of having to keep it at negative degrees, you'd only have to keep it at negative .
- 287 It would be way more efficient.
- 288 And xenon has a bigger nucleus, so coherence would make it an easier signal to see.
- 289 You're brilliant!
- 290 We should tell Sheldon.

- 291 You're an idiot!
- 292 We don't tell Sheldon.
- 293 We go to the military behind his back and we screw him like he screwed us.
- 294 All right, you're right, you're right, we don't need him.
- 295 We can do this all on our own.
- 296 Do you think you can do the math?
- 297 No.
- 298 But if someone else does it, I can double check the crap out of it.
- 299 I want you to know, I did what you asked.
- 300 I talked to Ruchi and found out what's going on at work.
- 301 So is she trying to steal my projects?
- 302 No, not trying to, sounds like it's a done deal.
- 303 Here, have a brownie.
- 304 I'm gonna kill her.
- 305 Okay, don't take this out on Ruchi.
- 306 Is she trying to take your job?
- 307 Yes.
- 308 Is she parking in your space?
- 309 Yes.
- 310 Did she get a laugh at a meeting yesterday by calling you "Pregnadette"?
- 311 Big one.
- 312 But you would've done the exact same thing, and you know it.
- 313 I never would've undermined a coworker.
- 314 What?
- 315 Oh, please.
- 316 Wh-What about that guy Eric, who you told it was "Bring Your Cat to Work Day" when you knew your boss had asthma?
- 317 That was just a hilarious prank that ended with me getting a corner office.
- 318 All I'm saying is before you attack Ruchi, maybe you should take a long hard look in the mirror, because you know what you'll see– apart from radiant skin and luxuriously thick hair?
- 319 Hypocrisy!
- 320 It is thick.
- 321 So what do you think?
- 322 Can you make it work?
- 323 Uh, I just need to use the cross section to calculate the probability of the interaction.
- 324 Can we help?
- 325 Yes.
- 326 Why don't you run get me a can of Pringles.
- 327 Leonard, I was—What's Kripke doing here?
- 328 Oh, he's just helping us develop a better, more efficient neutrino comm system that we're gonna pitch to the military, making yours obsolete.
- 329 WOLOWITZ: Yeah, Leonard thought of it.
- 330 It's genius.

- 331 Oh, thanks.
- 332 You see, instead of using liquid helium...
- 333 Good God, man, shut up!
- 334 Right, sorry.
- 335 KRIPKE: Whoa, whoa, whoa.
- 336 You didn't tell me we were doing this just to stick it to Sheldon.
- 337 Oh, well...
- 338 I messing with you.
- 339 This sundae just got a cherry on top!
- 340 Fine.
- 341 Good luck to you.
- 342 The military is already interested in my system, and my math is worked out
- 343 His still has a big gap in it.
- 344 Where?
- 345 There.
- 346 - Can I ask you a question?
- 347 Mm?
- 348 Does a drug still count as an antidepressant if its number one side effect is uncontrollable weeping?
- 349 I don't know.
- 350 I always feel better after a good cry.
- 351 I've been trying to ask Bernadette, but she's not answering any of my texts.
- 352 Yeah, uh, listen, I think she might be a little threatened by you, you know, because you can tie your own shoes and laugh without peeing.
- 353 Did she say something to you?
- 354 No.
- 355 I mean, well, kind of.
- 356 But it's okay.
- 357 She's just hormonal.
- 358 And, you know, don't worry, I stood up for you.
- 359 I don't need you to stand up for me.
- 360 You're not my boyfriend.
- 361 Look, I care about you, and you can say that this doesn't mean anything,
- but the truth is we're in a relationship, okay?
- 362 And you're gonna have to figure out some way to deal with it.
- 363 I can't believe she dumped me.
- 364 This is tough for me, 'cause I can.
- 365 Sorry things worked out like that.
- 366 Because I'm in pain or because you don't have a spy anymore?
- 367 Let's just leave it at "I'm sorry." You're already sad.
- 368 Based on Kripke's calculations, I think this is gonna work.
- 369 Maybe we should pitch it to Colonel Williams today.
- 370 Why limit ourselves to the U.S. military?
- 371 I bet there's a lot of other places we could take this.

- 372 Without committing criminal espionage?
- 373 You know, it's easy to shoot an idea down, Leonard.
- 374 Well, I suppose congratulations are in order.
- 375 You set out to destroy me, and you achieved your goal.
- 376 What are you talking about?
- 377 The military canceled my project, because they're going with yours.
- 378 That's impossible.
- 379 We haven't even pitched it yet.
- 380 Well, Colonel Williams said another team at Caltech came up with a more efficient neutrino comm system.
- 381 Damn it!
- 382 Excuse us.
- 383 Kripke.
- 384 What's up, fellas?
- 385 Did you screw us over?
- 386 Ooh, I can't tell you that.
- 387 It's classified.
- 388 Why did you tell Barry Kripke your idea?
- 389 This is all your fault.
- 390 No, it's your fault.
- 391 If you would've come to us in the beginning, none of this would've happened.
- 392 Well, if it helps, you all behaved terribly and you deserve what you got.
- 393 Well, that doesn't help at all.
- 394 You know, sometimes your social skills are very poor.
- 395 Can't believe we let Kripke use us like that.
- 396 You know, maybe you're all more like the guy who didn't invent the electric car and less like the guy who didn't invent the lightbulb.
- 397 She's right.
- 398 Maybe we're all a bunch of Teslas after all.
- 399 Didn't Tesla die penniless, forgotten and insane?
- 400 (sighs)
- 401 You may have a point about her social skills.
- 402 He wasn't insane.
- 403 He did fall in love with a pigeon.
- 404 Well, if we're gonna call Tesla crazy for loving something small and unappealing, might as well put Penny in a padded cell right now.

## 3.9 Episode 09: The Bitcoin Entanglement

- 1 Why are they making four more Avatar movies?
- 2 It's not like the first one is even that good.
- 3 What are you talking about?
- 4 You love that movie.
- 5 You even went as Avatar for Halloween.
- 6 I remember.

- 7 That was not a lot of clothes.
- 8 Hey, guys.
- 9 - Hev.
- 10 - Hev.
- 11 I'm, uh, I'm running a special today, uh, buy something, keep having a comic book store to come to.
- 12 This is awkward.
- 13 I was actually gonna return this.
- 14 What's wrong with it?
- 15 I-I finished it.
- 16 Speaking of something I find interesting, did anyone read that article about Bitcoin I sent you?
- 17 Yeah, I can't believe a single Bitcoin is worth about , now.
- 18 Wait, didn't we mine some a few years ago?
- 19-It was seven years ago.
- 20 Oh, yeah, Irememberthat.
- 21 Really?
- 22-All I can remember from seven years ago is I couldn't get Kesha's "Tik Tok" out of my head.
- $23-TikTok, on the clock \dots$
- 24 Whoa, welcomehome, Kesha.
- 25 No, we we definitely mined some.
- 26-I-I remember sitting in your bedroom and writing the program.
- 27 Ithink we ended up with a bunch of it.
- $28-Wow, and at, like, \, ,$  apiece, that's...
- 29 Sounds like a lot of money, which we agreed to share 'cause I-I was totally there.
- 30 I remember now.
- 31 I can't believe we forgot about it.
- 32 It's not that surprising.
- 33 They were basically worthless when we got them.
- 34 I wish I knew how much we had.
- 35 Sheldon, you must remember.
- 36 Of course I do.
- 37 Oh, yeah, he and I totally remember.
- 38 You tell them, Sheldon.
- 39 I can't believe you haven't seen Avatar yet.
- 40 What is wrong with you?
- 41 Penny and I just started dating, and you know I don't like big crowds.
- 42 Because you're afraid Penny will leave you for someone in them?
- 43 Terrified.
- 44 Yes, instead of going out, they just stay home and have constant coitus.
- 45 Well, I didn't want to say it, but I-I do like to hear it.
- 46 Yes, Ma, I'll be home for dinner.
- 47 No, I'm not ruining my appetite with candy.
- 48 Oh, we're having brisket?
- 49 (spits)

- 50 Be home at : .
- 51 Maybe we should double date.
- 52 I'll bring Penny and you can bring your mom.
- 53 Oh, make your jokes, but my date started a savings account for me.
- 54 Did yours?
- 55 Hey, you guys.
- 56 OTHERS: Hey.
- 57 Oh, Stuart, good.
- 58 I was wondering, will you be accepting Bitcoin?
- 59 Well, I don't know what that is, but it's got "coin" in it, and my cash register doesn't, so...
- 60 yeah.
- 61 Wait, what's Bitcoin?
- 62 It's a new online currency that's been developed.
- 63 Uh, it's just like actual money, except you can't see it, hold it, or spend it on anything.
- 64 Sounds like the kind of money I'm familiar with.
- 65 If it's not tangible, how do you know it's not just gonna vanish tomorrow?
- 66 Really?
- 67 You're dating Penny, and you're gonna poke at something that could vanish tomorrow?
- 68 I'll buy some Bitcoin.
- 69 I just came into a little extra money when my dad raised my allowance.
- 70 You don't have to buy Bitcoin.
- 71 You can mine it.
- 72 Mine it?
- 73 Like, mining gold?
- 74 Sort of.
- 75 There's a limited amount, and we find it, not by tunneling into the earth, but by using a computer to solve complex mathematical problems.
- 76 So let me get this straight.
- 77 We have to write an elaborate program in order to find a fake coin that we can't spend on anything?
- 78 Yes.
- 79 That sounds fun.
- 80 Yeah, I'm in.
- 81 LEONARD: Staying up late, writing code, it sounds like a party.
- 82 Hey, Stuart.
- 83 You want to mine some Bitcoin with us?
- 84 We'll write the program, you bring the snacks?
- 85 Too rich for my blood.
- 86 All right, so just the four of us.
- 87 Before we begin, this may have some unprecedented tax implications.
- 88 In fact, we should start early 'cause we are gonna be on the phone with the IRS for hours.
- 89 (gasps)

- 90 Did anybody else just get goose bumps?
- 91 Great, so just the three of us.
- 92 Oh, yeah.
- 93 We did it without you.
- 94 And do you remember what happened next?
- 95 Your mom called my mom and said we were being mean?
- 96 And after that?
- 97 You said that someday we'd regret this.
- 98 And do you know what today is?
- 99 The day we found out we're rich and none of it is yours?
- 100 (laughter, whooping)
- 101 Yeah, that's right!
- 102 Up top!
- 103 Our whole universe was in a hot, dense state
- 104 Then nearly billion years ago expansion started... Wait!
- 105 The Earth began to cool
- 106 The autotrophs began to drool, Neanderthals developed tools
- 107 We built the Wall
- 108 We built the pyramids
- 109 Math, Science, History, unraveling the mystery
- 110 That all started with a big bang
- 111 Bang!
- 112 Okay, this is the laptop I was using in.
- 113 The Bitcoin must be on here.
- 114 So what are you gonna do with your share of the money?
- 115 Uh, well, as a responsible adult, I'll put that money into a CD, wait for
- that CD to mature, and then buy a tiger.
- 116 How about you?
- 117 Oh, that depends on whether I tell Bernadette or not.
- 118 BERNADETTE: Howard, I can hear you.
- 119 The baby monitor is on.
- 120 I know.
- 121 I was joking.
- 122 I'm gonna put it in a college fund.
- 123 All right, all booted up.
- 124 Wow, I-I knew you were single back then, but that is a lot of p0rn...
- 125 Science!
- 126 A lot of science.
- 127 Wow, you were really into Asian science.
- 128 I don't see the Bitcoin on here.
- 129 Hey, maybe it's in that folder marked "Private and Confidential." BERNADETTE:
- It's not!
- 130 Okay, the program is almost ready to run.
- 131 Mining for coins sounds so manly.
- 132 Ooh, we should sing a mining song.
- 133 Do you know a mining song?

- 134 I don't know.
- 135 Does "Tik Tok" by Kesha count?
- 136 Because it has tunneled its way into my heart.
- 137 MRS.
- 138 WOLOWITZ: Howard, what's going on?!
- 139 Are you boys roughhousing?!
- 140 No, we're not roughhousing!
- 141 We're scientists!
- 142 Scientists don't roughhouse!
- 143 MRS.
- 144 WOLOWITZ: Excuse me, Mr.
- 145 Grown-up.
- 146 Aw, man, what happened?
- 147 It crashed.
- 148 It's been doing that lately.
- 149 I think it's got a virus from all the...
- 150 music I've been downloading.
- 151 What kind of music?
- 152 Mostly Asian.
- 153 Some oldies.
- 154 Well, we can use my laptop.
- 155 MRS.
- 156 WOLOWITZ: Howard, I made cookies for you and your little friends!
- 157 They're not my little friends, and we don't want cookies!
- 158 Actually, a cookie sounds good.
- 159 All right, we'll have cookies!
- 160 Thank you very much!
- 161 That's right.
- 162 It must be on my old laptop.
- 163 Well, let's go.
- 164 Hey, Bernie, you mind if I run to Leonard's and...
- 165 BERNADETTE: Get a laptop full of money?
- 166 Why are you still here?!
- 167 Go, go, go!
- 168 So, how's the wedding planning going?
- 169 Great.
- 170 Although, we're having trouble agreeing on a location.
- 171 I thought you were looking at a cliff on the beach.
- 172 We were, but Sheldon didn't like any of them.
- 173 Some were too beachy, some were too cliffy.
- 174 And all of them were too outsidey.
- 175 Well, weddings aren't about the location.
- 176 They're about standing up in front of your family and friends and promising that Sheldon will never move back in here.
- 177 Hi.
- 178 PENNY: Hey.

- 179 What are you guys doing?
- 180 Uh, we have a bunch of Bitcoin on an old laptop, and it could be worth, like, a lot of money.
- 181 What- You're kidding.
- 182 No.
- 183 We-we could be sitting on a fortune.
- 184 Okay, let the record show, I did not marry you for money, but you just got way more attractive.
- 185 Damn it, it's not in here.
- 186 If only you had someone around with an eidetic memory.
- 187 I bet they would know what happened to it.
- 188 If you know, just tell us.
- 189 Excuse me, but if I recall from seven years ago, you don't want me to be a part of this.
- 190 Sheldon, you can't still be mad.
- 191 Oh, please.
- 192 I have grudges that go back to preschool.
- 193 Someday, I'm gonna find a grown-up Elaine Dwyer and eat her favorite crayon while she watches.
- 194 Is that why there's an Elaine Dwyer on our guest list?
- 195 Yes.
- 196 That night, I'm going to have the first dance and the last laugh.
- 197 Sheldon, please.
- 198 Should I be the bigger man?
- 199 I think you should.
- 200 (snorts)
- 201 Oh, why'd I ask you?
- 202 Hey there, pretty lady.
- 203 I'm not waiting on your table for you.
- 204 Come on, this one is so annoying.
- 205 Excuse me, waitress.
- 206 You guys ready to order?
- 207 Can you take our picture, please?
- 208 Oh, sure.
- 209 Smile!
- 210 Perfect.
- 211 Thank you.
- 212 You may go now.
- 213 It was nice to meet you, and I mean that politely, not sincerely.
- 214 What was that?
- 215 I need to prove to my mother that I'm on a date.
- 216 If she thinks I faked the picture, I might need you as a witness.
- 217 What's your name?
- 218 Bernadette.
- 219 PENNY: Hey, sweetie.
- 220 Hey.

- 221 Everybody good?
- 222 - Yeah.
- 223 - Fine.
- 224 - Sure.
- 225 You don't have to whisper, you can just nod your head.
- 226 Or you could just speak.
- 227 You having a good day?
- 228 No, I missed an audition because my computer broke, and I didn't get the e-mail.
- 229 Would've been a perfect part for me.
- 230 Was it waitress who ignores her customers?
- 231 Because that's the role you were born to play.
- 232 Shut up and eat your burger.
- 233 Actually, it's a turkey club.
- 234 Didn't you order a burger?
- 235 I did, and yet here we are.
- 236 You know what, if you need a computer, you can use my laptop.
- 237 Oh, that's sweet, but I'm not gonna take your computer.
- 238 Oh, it's fine.
- 239 I-I'm getting a new one anyway.
- 240 Are you sure?
- 241 SHELDON: Don't be silly.
- 242 He's desperate to hold on to you.
- 243 You can get anything out of him.
- 244 His car, his watch...
- 245 Maybe a kidney.
- 246 You already have his testicles.
- 247 You can start a collection.
- 248 Oh, my God, that's right.
- 249 You gave me your laptop.
- 250 That was so sweet.
- 251 So you know where it is?
- 252 Of course.
- 253 - All right!
- 254 - Yes!
- 255 - Great!
- 256 I gave it to my ex-boyfriend Zack.
- 257 - Come on!
- 258 - Why?!
- 259 - No!
- 260 PENNY: Okay, Zack, thank you so much.
- 261 We'll be right over.
- 262 He still has it.
- 263 I can't believe you took a gift from me and gave it to another man.
- 264 SHELDON: Really?
- 265 Of all the things she's given to other men, that's what you're concerned

#### about?

- 266 Please don't make a big deal about this.
- 267 It was a long time ago, we were broken up.
- 268 Which breakup was that?
- 269 Was that the Saint Valentine's Day Massacre?
- 270 No, no.
- 271 This might've been during the Comic-Con Dump-A-Thon.
- 272 You have names for our breakups?
- 273 Well, they would really blur together if we didn't.
- 274 The Comic-Con breakup's easy to remember because Leonard was the saddest Pikachu.
- 275 Right, and he wiped his nose on your cape, and then you were the saddest Darth Vader.
- 276 You know, Penny and I aren't the only ones who've broken up.
- 277 So did Howard and Bernadette.
- 278 Uh, not to brag, but all my breakups have lasted.
- 279 I'm so sorry to hear about you and Howard.
- 280 Thanks.
- 281 I just didn't think he was the kind of guy who would be doing weird stuff online.
- 282 Really?
- 283 Wow, I thought it was so obvious, but okay.
- 284 Look, I know it's hard, but I think the best thing to do after a breakup is to take some time and be by yourself.
- 285 Yeah, that's healthy.
- 286 Hey, babe, ready to go?
- 287 Do as I say, not as I do.
- 288 I cannot believe you're mad.
- 289 I'm not mad.
- 290 Oh, really?
- 291 Tell that to your eyebrows.
- 292 Bet I could place a quarter between them, and it would just stay there.
- 293 Fine, I'm mad.
- 294 I guess I was more upset by our breakup than you.
- 295 That is not true.
- 296 Of course I was upset.
- 297 Didn't seem like it.
- 298 You started dating the first tall, handsome hunk you could find.
- 299 I'm sorry, are you mad that I dated Zack or that you didn't?
- 300 - Hi.
- 301 - Hi.
- 302 - Hey, Zack.
- 303 So good to see you guys.
- 304 Man, we should do this more often.
- 305 Come over to get laptops back from you?
- 306 Totally.

- 307 So do you have it?
- 308 Of course I do.
- 309 Penny gave it to me as a gift.
- 310 You don't get rid of something like that.
- 311 Huh.
- 312 All right, I'm sorry I gave away your stupid laptop.
- 313 You should be.
- 314 We were broken up for, like, five minutes.
- 315 Are you guys fighting?
- 316 Yeah.
- 317 No.
- 318 Are you fighting about whether or not you're fighting?
- 319 'Cause I've had that fight before.
- 320 Turns out we were, and I lost.
- 321 Leonard thinks when we broke up, it didn't bother me.
- 322 ZACK: That's crazy.
- 323 When we were going out, she used to talk about you all the time.
- 324 In fact, I think she only dated me because I reminded her of you.
- 325 Sure.
- 326 Because we're both...
- 327 people?
- 328 Damn right we are.
- 329 Oh, also, there was that video about how much she missed you.
- 330 What video?
- 331 The one on the laptop.
- 332 I didn't mean to invade your privacy, but I am a huge snoop.
- 333 Ask my neighbor.
- 334 She'll tell you.
- 335 But not right now; she's in the shower.
- 336 (clears throat)
- 337 (slurring): Hello, Leonard.
- 338 I was gonna write you an e-mail, but I'm a little drunk, and spelling is a sober person's game, so...
- 339 I feel I owe you a 'splanation.
- 340 I- I'm sorry.
- 341 A 'splanation.
- 342 (knock on door)
- 343 SHELDON: Penny.
- 344 (knocking)
- 345 Penny.
- 346 (knocking)
- 347 Penny.
- 348 Sheldon, go away.
- 349 I'm making a video.
- 350 Oh, I'm sorry.
- 351 I'll come back when you're alone.

- 352 No, no, no.
- 353 I am alone.
- 354 I'm just telling Leonard why I broke up with him.
- 355 Oh, he knows.
- 356 The video I want to see is why you went out with him in the first place.
- 357 I went out with him because he's great.
- 358 And if I kept going out with him, I probably would've married him, and that's a little scary because I just don't think I'm ready for that.
- 359 You know, plus I have got to learn how to spell Hofstadter.
- 360 I-I know there's a "D" in there, but it keeps moving every time I try and write it.
- 361 Sheldon, what do I do?
- 362 Try to pass out facedown, so you don't choke on your vomit.
- 363 I am not gonna pass out.
- 364 But thank you anyway.
- 365 Wow.
- 366 I know.
- 367 There's, like, two more hours of her just lying there.
- 368 Aw, you love me so much.
- 369 I married you, jackass.
- 370 I...
- 371 I know, and not just out of pity like everyone said in their wedding toast.
- 372 You want to see the part where she falls off the chair?
- 373 No.
- 374 Totally.
- 375 (thud)
- 376 That's my wife.
- 377 I got to see that again.
- 378 Got the laptop.
- 379 Hand it here.
- 380 Oh, this is so exciting!
- 381 Hey, when we sell the Bitcoin, are you gonna pay your dad back all the money you took from him over the years?
- 382 Never even crossed my mind.
- 383 Okay, here's the Bitcoin folder.
- 384 Yeah, how much is in there?
- 385 It's empty.
- 386 What?
- 387 Th-That's impossible.
- 388 (stammers)
- 389 Do you think Zack stole it?
- 390 No, he doesn't know how to steal Bitcoin.
- 391 I mean, he waves at trucks.
- 392  ${\rm Hmm...}$
- 393 who could it have been?
- 394 Sheldon, what did you do?

- 395 I plotted my revenge.
- 396 If you get a dish, I'll serve you some cold.
- 397 What, y-you stole our Bitcoin?
- 398 Oh, calm down.
- 399 All I did was sneak onto your computer and download your Bitcoin onto a flash drive.
- 400 What?
- 401 I'm not keeping it.
- 402 I just wanted to watch you sweat.
- 403 If you want to watch him sweat, walk up a flight of stairs with him.
- 404 I've waited seven long years, but it finally happened.
- 405 Where's our money?
- 406 That's the best part.
- 407 It's on the Batman flash drive on your key chain.
- 408 You've had it in your pocket all along.
- 409 Sheldon...
- 410 I lost that key chain years ago.
- 411 Really?
- 412 D-D-Did you look under things?
- 413 Well, that is unfortunate.
- 414 I guess we've all learned a lesson today.
- 415 What was the lesson?
- 416 I don't know.
- 417 STUART: Huh. What's that? Ooh, Batman flash drive. Pretty cool. Huh, if I erase this, I could probably resell it for, like, ten bucks. Things are finally going my way.

# 3.10 Episode 10: The Confidence Erosion

- 1 This was a good idea.
- 2 It's been a long time since we've had girls' night.
- 3 Yeah, it's so nice to have a relaxing evening at home doing nothing.
- 4 Yeah, really breaks up the other days I've spent on bed rest doing nothing.
- 5 Well, tonight we're gonna make you forget all that.
- 6 You're gonna make me forget I've been stuck in bed while a baby uses my bladder as a kickball?
- 7 (knocking)
- 8 Hey, you had unprotected s\*x with Howard.
- 9 You deserve to be miserable.
- 10 Hey, I need some fashion advice.
- 11 Really?
- 12 From me?
- 13 I would love to...
- 14 Actually, Leonard told me Penny was over here?
- 15 Hey, what's going on?
- 16 You got a date?

- 17 I, uh, do have a date...
- 18 with science.
- 19 Oh, what's science wearing?
- 20 The Griffith Observatory is looking for an astrophysicist to consult, and I have an interview tomorrow.
- 21 Oh, I love the observatory.
- 22 They tell you your weight on all the different planets.
- 23 Yeah.
- 24 It's always bikini season on Venus.
- 25 I think you'd be great at that.
- 26 Don't you agree, Bernadette?
- 27 Huh?
- 28 I'm listening.
- 29 I'm listening.
- 30 I'm not watching The Crown. I just want to make a good first impression, and thought maybe you could help me pick out an outfit?
- 31 Of course.
- 32 Let's see what you got.
- 33 Yeah, you just need to pick something that-that you feel confident in.
- 34 I'm sorry.
- 35 I left my magic clothes at home.
- 36 I'm sure these two options will be f...
- 37 So you-you have other clothes at home?
- 38 Uh, it doesn't matter.
- 39 They're talking to a bunch of people.
- 40 I probably won't get it anyway.
- 41 Well, don't say that.
- 42 Yeah, you have to believe in yourself.
- 43 You know, before I came to America, I was filled with confidence.
- 44 What happened to me?
- 45 Hey, is that Raj there at girls' night?
- 46 Well, hev.
- 47 Hey, Howard.
- 48 Just remember, if you fall asleep first, they're gonna freeze your bra.
- 49 Our whole universe was in a hot, dense state
- 50 Then nearly billion years ago expansion started... Wait!
- 51 The Earth began to cool
- 52 The autotrophs began to drool, Neanderthals developed tools
- 53 We built the Wall
- 54 We built the pyramids
- 55 Math, Science, History, unraveling the mystery
- 56 That all started with a big bang
- 57 Bang!
- 58 You and Amy having fun planning your wedding?
- 59 We're employing a mathematical approach called decision theory, so, heck, yeah.

- 60 Heck, yeah?
- 61 Looks like someone need to put a dollar in the almost-swear jar.
- 62 We've assigned all wedding decisions randomly, and each of us makes half of them.
- 63 You know, from venue to officiant to numbering system for the tables: Roman or Dewey Decimal.
- 64 Why not hexadecimal?
- 65 'Cause this is our wedding, not a joke.
- 66 - Hey, guys.
- 67 - Hello.
- 68 - Hey.
- 69 Oh, good.
- 70 Raj is here to tell us today's specials.
- 71 Very funny.
- 72 I have my interview this afternoon.
- 73 Oh.
- 74 If it doesn't work out, you're ready to go on your Mormon mission.
- 75 I-I don't understand what's going on here.
- 76 Oh, what's going on here is I'm up for a job at the planetarium, and Howard is making fun of me.
- 77 Oh, that's great.
- 78 You're both doing what you love.
- 79 Well, I'm excited for you.
- 80 Oh, thanks, yeah.
- 81 I'd be in charge of developing and narrating all the planetarium shows.
- 82 And I really want this, so it wouldn't kill you to be more supportive.
- 83 But if it did, you could bury me at the funeral home you direct.
- 84 Wait.
- 85 The premise is that he is dressed differently?
- 86 Yeah.
- 87 (laughing): That's true.
- 88 He is not dressed the same.
- 89 (Skype tones sound)
- 90 Hey, Dad.
- 91 Hello, Rajesh.
- 92 How was the interview?
- 93 Uh, not so great.
- 94 They asked me what my biggest weakness was, and minutes later, they thanked me for coming.
- 95 Son, don't take this the wrong way, but what's your problem?
- 96 I would tell you, but apparently it takes minutes.
- 97 You know what?
- 98 I bet it's those friends you surround yourself with.
- 99 Like that Howard, always making fun of you.
- 100 Howard doesn't mean anything by it.
- 101 I-I think it's cultural.

- 102 His people come from a very sarcastic village called Brooklyn.
- 103 Don't make excuses.
- 104 What kind of friend acts that way?
- 105 Well, I-I guess...
- 106 It was a rhetorical question.
- 107 A bad friend!
- 108 Come on, Dad!
- 109 That's just our relationship, okay?
- 110 He makes Indian jokes, and I laugh, but, you know, with angry eyes so he knows it's not okay.
- 111 I, too, was in a relationship with someone who made me feel bad about myself.
- 112 If you're talking about Mom, I don't want to hear it.
- 113 I'm just saying, if you replace Howard with a nice -year-old grad student, your self-confidence will soar.
- 114 All right, Amy, you're up.
- 115 Next decision.
- 116 AMY: Come on, first dance!
- 117 Come on, first dance!
- 118 (ding)
- 119 Invitations!
- 120 Oh!
- 121 That's a good one.
- 122 Just a suggestion-hologram projected out of R -D.
- 123 Thanks for your input, but this is my decision, and I'm gonna go with...
- 124 Old English calligraphy on Egyptian papyrus.
- 125 Oh, what a fun mashup.
- 126 It's like the chicken and waffles of orthography.
- 127 Your turn.
- 128 (rhythmic clicking)
- 129 (ding)
- 130 Ring bearer!
- 131 Oh.
- 132 Boy, I'm so glad that R -D is still available.
- 133 You know, this is really fun.
- 134 I can't believe that people say that planning a wedding is one of the most stressful things in life.
- 135 I know.
- 136 Not a day goes by that I don't marvel how much better we are than other people.
- 137 I'm so sorry the interview didn't go well.
- 138 Yeah, you would've been perfect for it.
- 139 Oh, I just get so nervous, and then I start a pologizing for being nervous, and  $\ldots$
- 140 You guys don't want to hear about this.
- 141 I'm sorry.

- 142 Stop apologizing!
- 143 Oh, my God!
- 144 You sound just like the woman at the interview!
- 145 Have you ever thought about talking to some kind of therapist about all this?
- 146 Ugh.
- 147 Maybe.
- 148 Hey, Leonard, do you think your mom would be available?
- 149 Yeah, you don't want to do that.
- 150 Talking to my mom to get more confidence is like talking to a lion to get more alive.
- 151 Well, my dad thinks it's because Howard's always making fun of me.
- 152 Well, that makes sense.
- 153 Well, what do you mean, that makes sense?
- 154 Well, Howard does make fun of him a lot.
- 155 Well, that's not all Howard's fault.
- 156 I mean, if Raj doesn't want to be made fun of, then I...
- 157 Hmm.
- 158 I don't know a nice way to finish this sentence.
- 159 Well, so you're on his side?
- 160 I'm just saying, that's what friends do.
- 161 You know, they bust on each other.
- 162 It doesn't mean anything.
- 163 Well, I'm not surprised you think so.
- 164 Why is that?
- 165 Well, you can be kind of mean to me.
- 166 Well, that's because you're...
- 167 Wow.
- 168 I don't know how to finish that sentence, either.
- 169 You know what?
- 170 I think we're both done being disrespected.
- 171 I got a few rounds left in me.
- 172 Attaboy, champ.
- 173 Okay, let's see what we've got so far.
- 174 I arrive in a Little House on the Prairie style horse-drawn buggy.
- 175 Where you are met with an honor guard of stormtroopers.
- 176 Do you think that might be jarring, going from wholesome pioneers to space Nazis?
- 177 I see what you're saying.
- 178 You're thinking that you should arrive in a replica of Luke Skywalker's landspeeder.
- 179 It's not what I'm thinking, and to save you the trouble for the future, it will never be what I'm thinking.
- 180 Well...
- 181 if the ushers are so important to you, what if I propose a trade?
- 182 You may pick that, and I will decide, say, first dance.

- 183 Great.
- 184 Then the ushers will be...
- 185 my cousins dressed in frontier frock coats.
- 186 Oh.
- 187 And the first dance will be that we won't have one.
- 188 All right.
- 189 Then our...
- 190 second dance will be the first dance.
- 191 Unless we have no dance at all.
- 192 Ha-ha.
- 193 Well, if we're changing things, then instead of throwing confetti, we'll release butterflies.
- 194 Airborne worms?!
- 195 Have you lost your mind?!
- 196 Well, if you're going to do that, then I am changing the officiant to that husky Spider-Man that hangs out at the Chinese Theater.
- 197 Fine.
- 198 Wedding toasts in Latin.
- 199 Great.
- 200 Vows in Klingon.
- 201 Then I'm changing the flower girl to a dog.
- 202 And guess what he'll be scattering instead of petals!
- 203 (knocking)
- 204 Want to grab some lunch?
- 205 You know what?
- 206 I don't think so.
- 207 Well, let me guess.
- 208 You're not eating because the mean girls circled your chubby bits in marker?
- 209 No.
- 210 That.
- 211 That right there.
- 212 That's the reason.
- 213 You're always making fun of me.
- 214 (laughing): Oh, those are just jokes.
- 215 It's my way of saying that we're friends, and it wouldn't hurt you to drop a few!
- 216 See?
- 217 No wonder I don't have any confidence.
- 218 Come on.
- 219 You can't blame that on me.
- 220 Why not?
- 221 years of constant ridicule.
- 222 I-I think our relationship has become toxic.
- 223 Uh, what are you saying?
- 224 I think you and I need to spend some time away from each other.

- 225 Look, I...
- 226 I can see you're upset, but...
- 227 I'm gonna need some ground rules.
- 228 I mean, while we're apart, can I see other needy Indian men?
- 229 Get out!
- 230 What do you think will make the wedding worse for Amy: a cake made with salt instead of sugar...
- 231 ...or a cake iced with congealed gravy?
- 232 That is a trick question.
- 233 The answer is: you as the groom.
- 234 Neither of them will be the actual cake.
- 235 I'm just using it as a bargaining chip to get Amy to agree to the whole wedding party getting rings and us getting one ring to rule them all.
- 236 I forget, which mental hospital are you guys registered at?
- 237 Hello.
- 238 - Hello.
- 239 - Hello.
- 240 - Hello.
- 241 Really?
- 242 You're not gonna sit here?
- 243 I'll sit there as soon as you leave.
- 244 You're still on this?
- 245 I said sorry.
- 246 Well, "sorry" doesn't make up for years of emotional abuse.
- 247 (sighs)
- 248 Well, what's it gonna take?
- 249 You want half my sandwich?
- 250 What is going on?
- 251 Raj is trying to blame me for his pathetic life.
- 252 His life isn't pathetic.
- 253 He's got that whole table to himself.
- 254 One of us should go sit with Raj so he's not alone.
- 255 But I'm not done telling you about my wedding revenge plans.
- 256 You're right.
- 257 Go on.
- 258 Okay, well, first, I'm going to try to get Amy to trade with me for hors d'oeuvres...
- 259 Oh, good, you're here.
- 260 I've decided on our centerpieces.
- 261 I just hope your family isn't allergic to asbestos.
- 262 Sheldon, please stop.
- 263 If we keep doing this, we're gonna end up with a wedding that neither one of us will enjoy.
- 264 Are you saying you don't want to get married?
- 265 No, of course I do.
- 266 But that seems to be the one thing we can agree on.

- 267 Maybe we should just get married at City Hall and forget about everything else.
- 268 City Hall, hmm.
- 269 I do like metal detectors and the sound of permits being denied.
- 270 Right.
- 271 And if we're not enjoying planning this wedding, then what's the point?
- 272 Well, historically, a wedding was to let other potential suitors know that we're unavailable.
- 273 But I think matching T-shirts that say "Hands off the merchandise" accomplish the same thing.
- 274 So let's pick a day and just go do it.
- 275 How 'bout tomorrow?
- 276 R-Really?
- 277 That soon?
- 278 Why wait?
- 279 I mean, it's not that I think we're living in sin, but I do like the idea that our next act of intimacy will be a legal requirement.
- 280 Tomorrow we'll go downtown and get married.
- 281 Or we could go to Beverly Hills City Hall if you want a destination wedding.
- 282 Hey.
- 283 You look good today.
- 284 What happened?
- 285 What's wrong?
- 286 Just tell me.
- 287 I can take it.
- 288 Nothing.
- 289 I felt bad about being mean to you, so I'm being nice.
- 290 Oh, okay.
- 291 Sorry.
- 292 I wasn't ready for it.
- 293 Try again.
- 294 You look handsome.
- 295 Nope, still freaking me out.
- 296 Hello, friends!
- 297 PENNY AND LEONARD: Hey.
- 298 Hey, what's going on with your hair?
- 299 Uh, nothing.
- 300 I just decided to stop straightening it.
- 301 Wait, so you were making your hair look like that on purpose?
- 302 When I first moved to America, I wanted to fit in.
- 303 And Howard's hair was straight, and he was the coolest person I knew.
- 304 Then you never saw any other people?
- 305 You know what, I-I don't want to talk about Howard.
- 306 I came here to celebrate!
- 307 Yeah.

- 308 I went back to the planetarium and told them they were making a huge mistake, that I'd be perfect for the job.
- 309 I was...
- 310 I was charming, I was confident.
- 311 And they gave it to me.
- 312 Wow.
- 313 (chuckles)
- 314 That's amazing!
- 315 Yeah, plus, it turns out the guy they hired got busted at a sketchy massage parlor.
- 316 Oh, so happy ending for you!
- 317 Oh, and for him.
- 318 Yeah, I was on my way to tell Howard, and then I remembered I wasn't speaking to him, so I came over here.
- 319 Mm, don't you think it's time you two made up?
- 320 No.
- 321 No, actually.
- 322 I don't need his negative energy in my life right now.
- 323 Standing up to him was-was hard, but it made me realize that I can do anything.
- 324 And, yeah, it's a little sad, but, you know, life is all about...
- 325 (cork pops)
- 326 Uh, sorry.
- 327 I thought you were wrapping things up.
- 328 Hey, Howard.
- 329 Hey.
- 330 Where is everybody?
- 331 I could ask you the same question.
- 332 Wow, this conversation got mean fast.
- 333 Sorry.
- 334 I'm just in a bad mood.
- 335 Yeah?
- 336 What's going on?
- 337 I had a falling out with Raj.
- 338 He said I make fun of him too much and it's wrecked his confidence.
- 339 Please, confidence is like red blood cells—it's nice if you got some, but you don't need 'em.
- 340 Yeah.
- 341 I mean, your life's a mess.
- 342 I don't see you blaming other people for it.
- 343 That's right.
- 344 I grew up in a loving, supportive household.
- 345 This is all on me.
- 346 Maybe I'll just hang out here for a while.
- 347 Great.
- 348 And you can make fun of me all you want.

- 349 No, that's okay.
- 350 No, no, no.
- 351 Go on.
- 352 I can take it.
- 353 My feelings, like my extremities, are basically numb.
- 354 Here's your license.
- 355 Now, if you wait over there, we'll call you when the officiant's ready.
- 356 Do we need a blood test?
- 357 No.
- 358 Well, then, how will you know whether or not we have syphilis?
- 359 I'm gonna go out on a limb and say you don't have that.
- 360 Okay, Sheldon, you officially exceeded the number of times I hoped to hear the word "syphilis" on my wedding day.
- 361 I can't believe we're doing this.
- 362 I know.
- 363 I'm getting married.
- 364 The new Star Wars movie's coming out.
- 365 We are really finishing this year strong.
- 366 Okay, but of the two of tho...
- 367 You know, I'm not even gonna ask.
- 368 I'm not gonna ask.
- 369 Are you sad we're not having a big party?
- 370 I'm really not.
- 371 I'm here with you.
- 372 It's perfect.
- 373 Cooper-Fowler?
- 374 You're up.
- 375 (chuckles)
- 376 Can you believe it?
- 377 We're about to walk in that door, Dr.
- 378 Cooper and Dr. Fowler, and walk out as a married couple, Dr. Cooper and Dr. Fowler.
- 379 Wait.
- 380 I want to have a first dance with you.
- 381 Right here?
- 382 At our wedding.
- 383 Th-This is our wedding.
- 384 No.
- 385 I want a real wedding.
- 386 Well...
- 387 (sighs)
- 388 Sheldon, it was just making us fight.
- 389 I know.
- 390 But, Amy, I never thought I'd want to marry anyone.
- 391 So the fact that I found you is astonishing.
- 392 It's-it's like finding dark matter, except they're looking for dark matter.

- 393 I wasn't even looking for you.
- 394 S-So you're even better than dark matter.
- 395 (chuckles)
- 396 Sheldon.
- 397 Plus, plus, you interact with light, so I can see you.
- 398 And, also, you don't account for the missing mass in the universe.
- 399 Oh, and...
- 400 Okay, I think you're getting caught up on the ways I'm not like dark matter.
- 401 Right.
- 402 Sorry.
- 403 But when you make a discovery like this, you don't just take it down to City Hall—you tell the whole world.
- 404 And so I'll say it in Latin or Klingon or-or smoke signals, if-if that's not cultural appropriation.
- 405 It is.
- 406 Okay, so not smoke signals.
- 407 But I want to do this right.
- 408 (exhales)
- 409 Me, too.
- 410 Let's go plan a wedding.
- 411 You know, we did get dressed up and come all the way to City Hall.
- 412 What are you thinking?
- 413 I have always wanted a permit to dispose of hazardous waste.
- 414 Let's do it.
- 415 Do we know if there's life in the methane plumes of Enceladus or under the icy surface of Europa?
- 416 Come back on Tuesday for my next show to find out.
- 417 Spoiler alert: we don't.
- 418 I'm Dr.
- 419 Rajesh Koothrappali, and thank you for taking a walk with me through the stars.
- 420 Wow.
- 421 I never knew science could be so interesting.
- 422 Hey, I talk to you about science all the time.
- 423 Oh, you sure do, sweetie.
- 424 Should we go congratulate him?
- 425 I'll do better than that—I'll give him constructive criticism.
- 426 Here's some constructive criticism: don't.
- 427 - I'll catch up with you guys.
- 428 - Okav.
- 429 Raj, you were terrific!
- 430 Oh, thank you.
- 431 I was so nervous, my armpits are like a swamp.
- 432 Oh, your hug just got downgraded to a high five.
- 433 (chuckles)

- 434 Your palms are sweaty, too.
- 435 Hey.
- 436 What are you doing all the way in the back?
- 437 Hiding out.
- 438 I wasn't sure if I was welcome.
- 439 This is ridiculous.
- 440 You guys are best friends.
- 441 Of course he wants you here.
- 442 You sure?
- 443 He seems to be doing pretty well without me.
- 444 Look, he was just stressed out.
- 445 His life is not better without you.
- 446 Come on.
- 447 Come say hi.
- 448 Okay.
- 449 Dr.
- 450 Koothrappali, I just wanted to tell you that was amazing.
- 451 Uh, counterpoint...
- 452 To the car.
- 453 Can I ask you a question?
- 454 Of course you can.
- 455 Ooh, that went well.
- 456 Ask me another.
- 457 I think I'm just gonna go.
- 458 If there is life beneath the surface of these planets, how would we even detect it?
- 459 Uh, that's a complicated question.
- 460 Let me start with a simpler one.
- 461 Can I buy you a coffee?
- 462 A-Also a complicated question.
- 463 (chuckles nervously)
- 464 Because I want to say yes, but if I drink coffee this late, then I'll be up all night.
- 465 Decaf, genius.
- 466 (clears throat)
- 467 I would love to.

## 3.11 Episode 11: The Celebration Reverberation

- 1 Previously on The Big Bang Theory...
- 2 Want to grab some lunch?
- 3 You know what?
- 4 I don't think so.
- 5 Oh, let me guess, you're not eating because the mean girls circled your chubby bits in marker?
- 6 No.

- 7 That, that right there.
- 8 That's the reason.
- 9 You're always making fun of me.
- 10 (chuckles)
- 11 Those are just jokes.
- 12 It's my way of saying that we're friends, and it wouldn't hurt you to drop a few.
- 13 years of constant ridicule.
- 14 I-I think our relationship has become toxic.
- 15 What are you saying?
- 16 I think you and I need to spend some time away from each other.
- 17 Look, I...
- 18 I can see you're upset, but...
- 19 I'm gonna need some ground rules.
- 20 While we're apart, can I see other needy Indian men?
- 21 Get out!
- 22 Oh, Stuart, two questions: Do you have the new Aquaman, and do you mind if I use your back room to smoke some meat?
- 23 Well, since it's you asking, I'm gonna guess that's not a euphemism.
- 24 Why are you smoking meat?
- 25 And why are you reading Aquaman?
- 26 I am trying to make Amy a historically accurate Little House on the Prairie dinner for her birthday, and...
- 27 I want to be able to say I was reading it before it was cool.
- 28 Wow, well, that's actually really sweet.
- 29 The dinner thing.
- 30 The Aquaman thing's dumb.
- 31 Eh...
- 32 Isn't Halley's birthday the same as Amy's?
- 33 Yeah, but we're not doing anything big 'cause she's one, Bernadette's on bed rest, and (clears throat)
- 34 I'm lazy.
- 35 Hey, guys.
- 36 Hello.
- 37 Hey.
- 38 Howard.
- 39 Raj.
- 40 Excuse me.
- 41 Really?
- 42 Is this still happening?
- 43 I'm willing to make up, but someone's being a baby.
- 44 Ooh!
- 45 I do love a riddle.
- 46 Oh, let me see.
- 47 See, my first guess would be Halley, but that'd be strange to accuse her of being a baby 'cause she is a baby.

- 48 Um...
- 49 I suppose it could be Stuart; his head does have a certain milky scent.
- 50 Although...
- 51 I-It's me, Sheldon.
- 52 He-He's calling me a baby.
- 53 No, I don't know.
- 54 I saw Leonard put his keys in his mouth today.
- 55 You're a grown man; act like it.
- 56 Big talk coming from a guy holding an Archie comic book.
- 57 Hey, were wolf Jughead is not your dad's Jughead.
- 58 Come on, you guys have been friends forever.
- 59 Quit fighting.
- 60 I have an extra ticket to the opening of The Last Jedi tonight.
- 61 It was gonna be Howard's, but you can have it.
- 62 You two had a good run.
- 63 Our whole universe was in a hot, dense state
- 64 Then nearly billion years ago expansion started... Wait!
- 65 The Earth began to cool
- 66 The autotrophs began to drool, Neanderthals developed tools
- 67 We built the Wall
- 68 We built the pyramids
- 69 Math, Science, History, unraveling the mystery
- 70 That all started with a big bang
- 71 Bang!
- 72 Uh, who wants to go see Last Jedi again tonight?
- 73 Mm, I'm in.
- 74 (gasps)
- 75 Me, too.
- 76 It'll be nice to see the parts I missed while I was blinking.
- 77 Hey, guys, there's a change of plans.
- 78 We are having a party for Halley's birthday after all.
- 79 Turns out Bernadette and "anyone who's not a heartless monster" thinks that's the right thing to do.
- 80 I don't like kids, but I do like birthday cake.
- 81 Oh, wait, will there be sugary icing flowers on it?
- 82 I don't know.
- 83 I'll risk it.
- 84 But if I have a tantrum and have to leave early, you'll know why.
- 85 Here vou go.
- 86 Here you go.
- 87 See you two there.
- 88 Are you kidding me?
- 89 You're not gonna invite me to Halley's birthday?
- 90 I'm her godfather; that means something.
- 91 Or- hear me out on this- it doesn't.
- 92 Okay, that's enough.

- 93 This fight either has to end or get way more entertaining.
- 94 Don't worry about it 'cause I'm done putting up with him!
- 95 I know you have a lot on your mind, but when do you think we'll have an answer on those cake flowers?
- 96 Hey.
- 97 Hey.
- 98 What you reading?
- 99 Oh, it's your brother's Christmas letter.
- 100 Ugh.
- 101 If there's a picture of his wife and his kids and his dogs and his horses all in matching pajamas, I beg you to burn it.
- 102 Aw, the people's pajamas have little horses on them, and the horses' have little people.
- 103 It's just his chance to brag about how great his life is.
- 104 Oh, come on, it's nice.
- 105 You know that nonprofit he works with?
- 106 They built a hospital in Rwanda.
- 107 (mocking): Look at me.
- 108 I built a hospital in Rwanda.
- 109 That is a good point.
- 110 I hadn't thought of it that way.
- 111 Hello.
- 112 BOTH: Hey.
- 113 So this is for Amy's birthday.
- 114 Can I leave it here?
- 115 Sure.
- 116 What is it?
- 117 A butter churn.
- 118 Aw, that's what I got her.
- 119 It's for her surprise frontier birthday dinner.
- 120 I am making hardtack, boiled salt pork, and because it's a special day, a chewable gob of tree sap.
- 121 Is that good?
- 122 Uh, compared to other foods, no.
- 123 Compared to other parts of a tree?
- 124 Eh.
- 125 And then after dinner, we will have birthday coitus.
- 126 Do you think that will also be historically accurate?
- 127 I assume like the rest of frontier life, it'll be exhausting and short.
- 128 You're exhausting and short.
- 129 Hey, Stuart, you're coming to Halley's party, right?
- 130 You bet.
- 131 Plus, I live there and I was invited, so it's already better than my tenth birthday party.
- 132 Great.
- 133 Can you bring a few things?

- 134 Sure.
- 135 What do you need?
- 136 Balloons, streamers, ice, snacks, a bounce house, face painter, and a couple kids whose parents are willing to lie and say they know me from the Daddy and Me class I've never been to.
- 137 Where do you and Halley go every week?
- 138 The important thing is we're together, and if the movie gets too violent, I cover her eyes.
- 139 Don't stress about this party.
- 140 She's one; she's not gonna remember.
- 141 The other day I showed her her toe, and she was shocked.
- 142 It's not for the baby; it's for Bernadette.
- 143 She's feeling guilty about all the stuff she's missing with Halley.
- 144 All right.
- 145 Uncle Stuart's got your back.
- 146 Ain't no party like a Stuart party because Stuart's never invited to parties.
- 147 Did the electricity go out?
- 148 I don't know what you mean by "electricity," ma'am.
- 149 I am just a farmer boy living in a little house on the prairie.
- 150 (excited screaming)
- 151 I'm glad you're happy.
- 152 I wanted to do something special for your birthday.
- 153 Oh, you did, you did!
- 154 It's perfect!
- 155 You do know that my birthday's tomorrow, right?
- 156 This is just step one of your birthday weekend.
- 157 Now, would you care to join me for an authentic frontier dinner made entirely from scratch?
- 158 I can't believe you did this.
- 159 It's amazing!
- 160 Oh, it's not a big deal.
- 161 Just to be clear, it was a big deal.
- 162 I was being modest.
- 163 You got that, right?
- 164 Loud and clear.
- 165 Well, I hope you're hungry.
- 166 Oh, I'm starving.
- 167 Oh, good.
- 168 Starvation is authentic to the time period.
- 169 If you also have malaria and a deep distrust of Native Americans, we're really cooking with a woodstove.
- 170 Is that butter?
- 171 Yes.
- 172 But don't blow it all on one biscuit.
- 173 Took me nine hours to make that.
- 174 I think I got churner's elbow.

- 175 I know we only have coit us on my birthday, but I don't know if I can wait until midnight.
- 176 Oh, well, you'll be glad you did.
- 177 Everyone knows the best foreplay is rigid adherence to a strict schedule.
- 178 Hev.
- 179 What are you doing?
- 180 Oh, I've decided to write my own Christmas letter.
- 181 So I'm gonna make a list of all the cool things we did this year.
- 182 Oh, fun.
- 183 Can I help?
- 184 Yes.
- 185 Can you think of a single cool thing we did this year?
- 186 Uh, well, both of our jobs are going great.
- 187 Sure.
- 188 I mean, my Air Force project got taken away, and you're not crazy about selling pharmaceuticals.
- 189 I'll just write down "still employed." Oh, we had our second anniversary.
- 190 Uh, yeah, but we did kind of forget about it, so maybe just write "still married." Great.
- 191 Okay.
- 192 Okay, that's a start.
- 193 What else?
- 194 You know, maybe this is enough.
- 195 Let's look at our pictures; that-that'll jog our memories.
- 196 What is that a picture of?
- 197 Oh, uh, that's a mole on my back.
- 198 I wanted to make sure it wasn't growing.
- 199 How'd you get a picture of your own back?
- 200 Sheldon took it.
- 201 We're kind of mole buddies.
- 202 Hey, that's a cute picture.
- 203 Isn't that the day we almost went to the beach?
- 204 Memorial Day?
- 205 No, that was the day we almost went to the mountains.
- 206 Oh.
- 207 That's the great thing about California; you can almost go to the mountains and almost go to the beach in the same day.
- 208 Yeah.
- 209 (knock on door)
- 210 Look, I'm sorry about not inviting you to Halley's birthday.
- 211 That wasn't cool.
- 212 And of course we would love to have you.
- 213 Here.
- 214 Thank you.
- 215 I'd really like to be there.
- 216 Great, 'cause it's tomorrow, and I need you to plan it.

- 217 What?
- 218 Stuart was gonna help, but the free clinic had an open spot for a colonoscopy, and he jumped on it.
- 219 So-so-so you're just apologizing because you need something?
- 220 Yes, and I think it's pretty mature of me to admit it.
- 221 Well, that's very insulting.
- 222 Right again.
- 223 Are you gonna help me or not?
- 224 No, I will not help you.
- 225 (sighs)
- 226 But I will help Halley.
- 227 She's my goddaughter, and I love her.
- 228 And I have a lot of party favors left over from Cinnamon's birthday, so...
- 229 I hope she likes things that squeak when you chew on them.
- 230 Sh-She's a human being, not an animal.
- 231 But that actually would be a hit.
- 232 Can I get you anything else?
- 233 No, thanks.
- 234 I think I'm good.
- 235 You sure?
- 236 There's still plenty of pork fat.
- 237 Although, if we don't eat it, I suppose we could turn it into soap.
- 238 That might taste better.
- 239 I think I'm just gonna go over here and sit on the couch.
- 240 Oh, great.
- 241 Then we will move on to stage two: the pitching of woo.
- 242 Ooh.
- 243 Should I read you some bawdy th century limericks?
- 244 (chuckles): Okay.
- 245 Oh, here.
- 246 "There once was a priest from Terre Haute who purchased a sheep and a goat..." Hold on a second.
- 247 Is it getting hot in here?
- 248 Well, I didn't even get to the dirty part yet.
- 249 No, I-I'm serious.
- 250 Do you think there was something wrong with that food?
- 251 Frontier scallops?
- 252 I shouldn't think so.
- 253 My stomach's feeling a little weird.
- 254 Yeah.
- 255 Uh, mine, too.
- 256 I'm sure it's just the first sharp cramps of arousal.
- 257 No.
- 258 Th-This doesn't feel right.
- 259 Hey, hey, save that sexy talk for the bedroom.
- 260 You know, if you'll excuse me, I am just going to go freshen up.

- 261 (vomits loudly)
- 262 Sheldon?
- 263 I'll be out in a minute.
- 264 (retches)
- 265 I don't have a minute!
- 266 (vomits)
- 267 I can't believe you pulled this all together overnight.
- 268 Uh, if I had more time, I could have gotten the Blue Man Group.
- 269 One of them goes to my dry cleaner.
- 270 Who, by the way, hates him.
- 271 You really saved the day.
- 272 Well, it's not for you.
- 273 It's for Halley.
- 274 And I'm sure she'd appreciate it, if she knew what's going on or who you
- 275 (weakly): Morning.
- 276 Happy birthday.
- 277 (weakly): Yeah, sure.
- 278 Did you sleep at all?
- 279 No.
- 280 You?
- 281 I passed out on the toilet once.
- 282 I don't know if that counts.
- 283 Feel any better?
- 284 I feel terrible.
- 285 Well...
- 286 should we make love now?
- 287 How can you even think about s\*x?
- 288 Hey, I'm a man; I have annual needs just like anyone.
- 289 And besides, it's our birthday tradition.
- 290 You think you can do it while I lie perfectly still and you don't touch me?
- 291 I can try.
- 292 (exhales)
- 293 Want to do it again?
- 294 Morning.
- 295 Morning.
- 296 "Kept Fern alive"?
- 297 Who's Fern?
- 298 No, the fern.
- 299 The one in the bathroom.
- 300 We're really calling that brown thing alive?
- 301 Okay.
- 302 So, how long have you been working on this?
- 303 Oh, couple hours.
- 304 I took a break to try to beat my high score on Mario Kart. Well, did you do it?

- 305 Do you see it on the board?
- 306 Okay, this is silly.
- 307 Our lives are great.
- 308 I think so, too.
- 309 So then why is this bugging you so much?
- 310 I guess it feels like everyone's moving forward and we're stuck.
- 311 What do you mean?
- 312 Well, we've been married two years.
- 313 Should we think about what's next?
- 314 Like buying a house or having a baby?
- 315 Look, I want to do all those things someday, but there's a bunch of stuff I want to do first.
- 316 Okay, like what?
- 317 I don't know, stay thin and have money.
- 318 No, no, I-I'm serious.
- 319 If there's things we want to do, let's start doing them.
- 320 Okay.
- 321 Well, we've never been on a big trip together.
- 322 I would love that.
- 323 Okay, there's something for your letter: "Considered going on a trip." It's
- just a day trip, but we could take the ferry out to Catalina.
- 324 Great, let's do it.
- 325 Amy's in the bathroom and I need to...!
- 326 (retches)
- 327 (door slams)
- 328 (vomiting loudly)
- 329 It's like I can hear the ocean already.
- 330 Okay.
- 331 Thanks for letting me know.
- 332 Hey, what's going on?
- 333 Bernadette's sister's kids are sick and they're not coming.
- 334 But they're the whole reason the cupcakes are vegan!
- 335 BERNADETTE: How's the party coming?
- 336 Good!
- 337 Great!
- 338 Our friends should be here any second!
- 339 Those are the only other people you invited?
- 340 What about the kids from the Daddy and Me class?
- 341 Oh, grow up.
- 342 Uh-oh.
- 343 What?
- 344 I left the food out.
- 345 You afraid it's gonna go good?
- 346 How are you feeling?
- 347 Ugh.
- 348 My stomach aches, I got the chills, my mouth tastes weird, it hurts to

swallow, and I've got a little double vision.

- 349 Yeah.
- 350 I'm feeling better, too.
- 351 (groans softly)
- 352 Well, this party's a disaster.
- 353 Don't blame the party!
- 354 You know how many favors I had to call in with my bounce house guy to
- get Wonder Woman?
- 355 Is that Wonder Woman?
- 356 Technically, it's a Chinese knockoff called Happy Strong Swimsuit Lady.
- 357 Then I take it back; it's a great party.
- 358 Well, you can sit here and sulk if you want.
- 359 I'm gonna go celebrate Halley's first birthday.
- 360 Which I planned with no help from you.
- 361 What are you doing?
- 362 It's a bounce house!
- 363 I'm gonna go bounce in it!
- 364 You're supposed to take your shoes off before you go in there!
- 365 You know what?
- 366 I'm stressed about my daughter's birthday party.
- 367 I don't need your attitude.
- 368 Well, I worked really hard on this, and you haven't even said thank you.
- 369 Oh, I'm sorry.
- 370 Thank you.
- 371 Thank you for blaming me for everything that's wrong in your life!
- 372 Thank you for walking out on our friendship!
- 373 You are welcome!
- 374 And thank you for mocking me for all of these years!
- 375 Thank you for making it so easy!
- 376 Why are you being such a jerk?
- 377 Because you're my best friend and you hurt my feelings!
- 378 Well, you're my best friend and you hurt my feelings!
- 379 I can't believe you shoved me!
- 380 Well, I can't believe you shoved me! But it was kind of fun, wasn't it?!
- 381 It was!
- 382 Do it again!
- 383 Gladly!
- 384 Okay, now at the same time!
- 385 Oh, oh, that was awesome!
- 386 Yeah, okay, this time, knees, then feet.
- 387 One, two, three.
- 388 KOOTHRAPPALI: Again!
- 389 Again!
- 390 Hello.
- 391 Hi.
- 392 You made it.

- 393 How you two feeling?
- 394 Oh, a little better.
- 395 Those books should have been called Little Outhouse on the Prairie.
- BERNADETTE: Halley's awake and ready for her party!
- 396 Be right up!
- 397 Ooh, I want to see the birthday girl.
- 398 I'd love to see her.
- 399 BERNADETTE: Walk slow it takes a while to get this bra back on.
- 400 You know...
- 401 it's still your birthday.
- 402 (chuckles)
- 403 It is.
- 404 And...
- 405 we are both...
- 406 feeling better.
- 407 We are.
- 408 And there's no one in that bounce house.
- 409 (whispers): No.
- 410 Great.
- 411 Let's go jump for a bit, and then find a bedroom to have coitus in.

## 3.12 Episode 12: The Matrimonial Metric

- 1 Hey, can you do me a favor?
- 2 Can we try to avoid talking to our friends tonight about our wedding plans?
- 3 I'll do you one better.
- 4 I'll avoid talking to our friends entirely and play on my phone.
- 5 It's just, I haven't picked a maid of honor yet, and I'm having trouble deciding between Penny and Bernadette.
- 6 Ah, understandable.
- 7 They are quite similar—both blonde former wait resses who married beneath them.
- 8 Penny is my best friend, but I was Bernadette's maid of honor, and I think she kind of expects it.
- 9 So if anyone brings it up to night, just maybe you can help me change the subject.
- 10 How about this?
- 11 I dominate the conversation so hard, no one has a chance to get a word in edgewise.
- 12 I don't know.
- 13 They might see that coming.
- 14 What if we have a code word?
- 15 Ooh, now you're speaking my catamaran.
- 16 That's my code word for "language." Okay, fine, catamaran.
- 17 That's our code word.
- 18 No, that's my code word.

- 19 Get your own.
- 20 Okay.
- 21 Uh, pretzels.
- 22 You hear me say pretzels, you change the subject.
- 23 Rhinos are my least favorite animals at the zoo.
- 24 What?
- 25 Oh, I'm sorry.
- 26 I thought we started.
- 27 Hey, just-just hold the gate still while I screw it in.
- 28 You know, I don't know how I feel about all this baby-proofing.
- 29 If Halley can't teach herself to walk down the stairs, then maybe that's nature's way of saying the Wolowitz line ends here.
- 30 That's funny.
- 31 I always thought Howard was nature's way of saying the Wolowitz line ends here.
- 32 Me, too, but life does find a way!
- 33 Hey, Halley can't reach the liquor cabinet.
- 34 Why did you baby-proof it?
- 35 How did you know we did?
- 36 Fair point.
- 37 LEONARD: Bernadette still going stir-crazy?
- 38 Oh, a little.
- 39 Two months of bed rest- it's kind of rough.
- 40 Really?
- 41 That sounds great.
- 42 How do I get that?
- 43 You'd either have to break your hip or let Howard knock you up.
- 44 Now, either way, you'll get flowers the next morning.
- 45 She's actually been keeping herself busy doing wedding research for you.
- 46 Oh, she-she doesn't have to do that.
- 47 She wants to.
- 48 After all, you were her maid of honor.
- 49 Sheldon, tell your funny story about pretzels.
- 50 Oh, right.
- 51 Yeah, oh, yeah.
- 52 Did you know that we've been thinking of having pretzels at our wedding?
- 53 Hmm?
- 54 No, no.
- 55 No, no, no, no, no.
- 56 I'm sorry.
- 57 No. rhinos.
- 58 We're having rhinos at our wedding.
- 59 No!
- 60 (stammers)
- 61 I got to go.
- 62 I'm gonna need some help.

- 63 Someone baby-proofed the front door.
- 64 Our whole universe was in a hot, dense state
- 65 Then nearly billion years ago expansion started... Wait!
- 66 The Earth began to cool
- 67 The autotrophs began to drool, Neanderthals developed tools
- 68 We built the Wall
- 69 We built the pyramids
- 70 Math, Science, History, unraveling the mystery
- 71 That all started with a big bang
- 72 Bang!
- 73 Sheldon, what am I gonna do about my maid of honor?
- 74 I mean, Bernadette gave me all these bridal magazines.
- 75 She even folded down the pages with the good dresses.
- 76 Hmm.
- 77 Hmm.
- 78 I get it.
- 79 You know, Leonard once borrowed my Edmund Scientific catalogue and dog-eared some pages.
- 80 Never got 'em straight again.
- 81 Well, that is exactly the same thing.
- 82 You really understand my dilemma.
- 83 Actually, I do.
- 84 My mother is pushing for my brother, Georgie, to be my best man, and I hate to disappoint her again.
- 85 I already rejected her savior and her LinkedIn invitation.
- 86 How are we gonna make these decisions without anybody getting upset?
- 87 Well, what if we take emotion out of the process, and base it on empirical metrics?
- 88 Then we aren't really making the decision; the data is.
- 89 So we can hurt our friends' feelings without taking any responsibility?
- 90 Me likey.
- 91 But how do we apply quantitative metrics to something as subjective as choosing a wedding party?
- 92 That decision only seems subjective.
- 93 In reality, people in a wedding party perform very specific functions, and some will perform those better than others.
- 94 If I may use a superhero analogy...
- 95 You may not.
- 96 Okay, I'll use real people.
- 97 Um, if a certain dog-like loyalty is useful, then it's Leonard, hmm?
- 98 If, uh, having a PEZ dispenser filled with TUMS is an advantage, Wolowitz, yeah.
- 99 If a best man with fake testicles hanging from his truck is important, well, then, my brother's back in the running.
- 100 Okay, I see your point.
- 101 So we break down each of the roles into their component parts, and then

design specialized tests for each.

- 102 Exactly.
- 103 Boy, if I had known getting married was going to involve so much science,
- I'd have proposed years ago.
- 104 So Leonard, tell everyone your news.
- 105 Oh, oh, I'm starting a book.
- 106 That would be big news from Penny, but you've read a book before.
- 107 He means he's writing a book.
- 108 I do.
- 109 It's something I've been thinking about for a long time.
- 110 Yeah.
- 111 It's about a brilliant physicist who solves crimes using science.
- 112 Oh, Leonard...
- 113 It's not about you.
- 114 He probably has to say that for legal reasons.
- 115 WOLOWITZ: Uh-oh.
- 116 They gave us plain rice instead of fried rice.
- 117 Well, no fair!
- 118 I SoulCycled this morning.
- 119 I'm entitled to a pile of fat rice.
- 120 Well, I would say that this constitutes a catering crisis.
- 121 I agree.
- 122 Who's gonna step up and handle it?
- 123 Doesn't matter.
- 124 This is fine.
- 125 (mouths)
- 126 Penny?
- 127 (mouth full): What?
- 128 You know what?
- 129 I'll take care of it.
- 130 (speaks Mandarin)
- 131 Done.
- 132 You didn't make him feel bad, did you?
- 133 Actually, he was laughing.
- 134 (laughs)
- 135 I'm really impressed at how you handled that, Howard.
- 136 WOLOWITZ: Please.
- 137 I've been sending food back my entire life.
- 138 One of my first full sentences was, "I had breast milk for breakfast" Excuse
- me, b-before we start eating, I-I would like to make a toast.
- 139 Oh, nice.
- 140 Oh, nice.
- 141 If only I could think of one.
- 142 Someone else go.
- 143 Hey.
- 144 Here's the sewing kit you asked for.

- 145 Ooh!
- 146 A minute, .
- 147 Quick.
- 148 You were timing me?
- 149 Yes.
- 150 I am going through a bit of a timing phase.
- 151 How long will it last?
- 152 We'll find out.
- 153 What did you need the kit for?
- 154 Oh, um...
- 155 Sh-Sheldon was squatting down to pick up a fork and he ripped his pants.
- 156 Oh, someone's gonna be sore tomorrow.
- 157 (door closes)
- 158 Oh, quick thinking.
- 159 But for future lies, this is as far as I can squat.
- 160 Penny gets points for the sewing kit.
- 161 Yeah, minus five, because this is mine.
- 162 Well, she's still pulling a commanding lead.
- 163 Did Bernadette even try to send us a sewing kit?
- 164 She did.
- 165 Amazon, standard shipping, not even Prime.
- 166 (gasps)
- 167 We could've done that ourselves.
- 168 (chuckles)
- 169 That's what she said.
- 170 Maybe we're being old-fashioned, defining these roles by gender.
- 171 You know, historically, the best man's role was to defend the bride and groom in combat.
- 172 I mean, if that's not Penny, I don't know what we're doing here.
- 173 I see your point.
- 174 Okay, we are officially open to a best woman and a gentleman of honor.
- 175 Oh, those names are terrible.
- 176 One point off for you.
- 177 What am I being tested for?
- 178 Oh, it's not important.
- 179 But if you don't pass, none of this matters.
- 180 Okay, what's the next test?
- 181 Loyalty.
- 182 We need to choose someone who has our backs, someone who will keep our secrets even from each other.
- 183 Well, I don't have any secrets from you.
- 184 Do you have secrets from me?
- 185 Yes.
- 186 Oh, that has been weighing on me for years.
- 187 Come here.
- 188 Would you call yourself a loyal and trustworthy friend?

- 189 Yeah, I like to think so.
- 190 Great.
- 191 Because I need to tell you something about Howard, but you can't tell him that I told you.
- 192 Nope.
- 193 Don't want to hear it.
- 194 Do not like to engage in gossip.
- 195 Okay.
- 196 I respect your integrity.
- 197 Is it about his special underwear?
- 198 Because I already know.
- 199 And that's all I'll say.
- 200 Fine, it has a charcoal filter in it.
- 201 It's really sweet of you to come by and keep me company.
- 202 Agreed.
- 203 Uh...
- 204 So, listen, I have a secret that I need to tell someone.
- 205 But you can never say a word.
- 206 Not even to Howard.
- 207 I'm your girl.
- 208 Lay it on me.
- 209 Really?
- 210 You keep things from your husband?
- 211 No, I tell him everything.
- 212 Don't be a child.
- 213 Okay.
- 214 Here it is.
- 215 I can control the thermostat in Leonard's apartment with my phone.
- 216 And when he makes me mad, I turn it up, slightly.
- 217 Oh, hey.
- 218 I didn't know you were here.
- 219 What are you two talking about?
- 220 Literally, nothing interesting.
- 221 Oh, you're good.
- 222 Okay, getting to the ceremony on time.
- 223 Leonard, quick.
- 224 I need you to get me to Arcadia within the hour.
- 225 The train store's having a sale.
- 226 Why can't Amy drive you?
- 227 Because of the tradition that I cannot see Amy on the day of the train store sale.
- 228 Please, please see a doctor.
- 229 Next test.
- 230 Just wait one second.
- 231 Is it getting hot in here?
- 232 (laughs)

- 233 I'm sorry.
- 234 Where were we?
- 235 How well do our friends know us?
- 236 So I was talking to my favorite aunt...
- 237 Aunt Doe, right?
- 238 Exactly.
- 239 Did she ever figure out what that thing on her knee was?
- 240 Turns out it was a chocolate chip.
- 241 Hmm.
- 242 Makes sense, she does like to bake.
- 243 Yes, she does.
- 244 Damn, you are a thoroughbred.
- 245 You know, dealing with cold feet is an important part of being both best man and maid of honor.
- 246 Maybe we should test for that ability.
- 247 You really think you might get cold feet?
- 248 Actually, I was talking about you.
- 249 Amy...
- 250 if there's one thing in this world I'm sure of, you are right to be worried.
- 251 Good night.
- 252 Howard.
- 253 I've had my eye on this limited edition Swamp Thing, but now that I'm about to buy it, I'm having second thoughts.
- 254 What do you think?
- 255 I don't know, Sheldon, it's pretty expensive.
- 256 Yes, but what if it will make me happy, you know, waking up and seeing it every morning for the rest of my life?
- 257 Really, a walking clump of swamp grass?
- 258 Yeah, well, Bernadette's no prize either!
- 259 Hey, what you doing?
- 260 Oh.
- 261 Sheldon gave me a brain teaser.
- 262 It's kind of fun.
- 263 It's about a group of people at dinner, and you have to figure out where they can sit without fighting.
- 264 Oh, yeah, is this the one where Mr. Green can't sit next to anyone eating meat, and Uncle Light Blue won't sit next to any of the darker colors?
- 265 Yeah, did Sheldon send it to you?
- 266 Amy did.
- 267 I solved it already.
- 268 Really?
- 269 Yeah.
- 270 Same way I solved my jury duty summons, I threw it away.
- 271 KOOTHRAPPALI: No, no, no, no, no.
- 272 Uh, Aunt Orange can't sit next to the bar without Ms. Pink saying, "Jesus thinks you've had enough whiskey." Did Sheldon and Amy give you guys that

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puzzle, too?
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- 273 Yeah.
- 274 Is it just me or have they been acting strange?
- 275 I don't think they're acting.
- 276 Yeah, the other day, Sheldon made me take him to the train store.
- 277 We didn't go inside.
- 278 He just said, "Nicely done," and then we went home.
- 279 Yeah, and Amy gave me this plastic ring and told me to hold on to it.
- 280 I got one, too.
- 281 Yeah, same.
- 282 Yeah, me, too.
- 283 But-but Cinnamon ate it.
- 284 I-I'll get it back tomorrow.
- 285 I have to say, this is going pretty well.
- 286 It is.
- 287 I-If experimenting on humans is morally wrong, then I don't want to be morally right.
- 288 (door opens)
- 289 Hey, are you testing us to see who gets to be in your wedding?
- 290 Yes.
- 291 No.
- 292 Wha- they're rating us.
- 293 And I'm in last?
- 294 Don't panic, there's still time.
- 295 Look, it's a marathon, not a sprint.
- 296 You know what, this is so insulting.
- 297 I-I don't even want to be your stupid best man.
- 298 Yeah.
- 299 Me neither.
- 300 W-W-Wait, wait.
- 301 Just out of curiosity, which one of you figured it out?
- 302 I did.
- 303 Impressive.
- 304 Hello, Stuart.
- 305 Oh, hey, Sheldon.
- 306 Can I interest you in a cappuccino?
- 307 When did you start selling those?
- 308 Oh, someone left it here, but it's still warm.
- 309 Want to say four bucks?
- 310 No, thank you.
- 311 Oh.
- 312 Everything okay?
- 313 Well...
- 314 I secretly experimented on my friends, and now none of them want to be my best man.
- 315 So, you know, normal wedding drama.

- 316 Sorry.
- 317 Probably have to use my stupid brother.
- 318 So get ready for a wedding toast delivered by his armpit.
- 319 Well, if you really don't want to use your brother, I'd be your best man.
- 320 Really?
- 321 Yeah, we're friends.
- 322 Plus, it'd be nice.
- 323 Never really been called the best before.
- 324 Or a man, for that matter.
- 325 Okay, well, uh, thank you, Stuart.
- 326 That's a very generous offer.
- 327 My pleasure.
- 328 I-I understand the best man usually receives a present.
- 329 That's true.
- 330 Can never have too much Claritin.
- 331 You're still working on Sheldon's dumb brain teaser?
- 332 Oh, my God, Dr.
- 333 Purple's a woman!
- 334 Of course!
- 335 Oh, that feels so good.
- 336 Hello.
- 337 I believe I owe the three of you an apology.
- 338 No argument here.
- 339 By experimenting on you, I realize I've violated your trust and possibly the Geneva Convention.
- 340 Is that it?
- 341 No.
- 342 So as to not upset any of you further, I've asked Stuart to be my best man, and he's agreed.
- 343 You're all still invited to the bachelor party.
- 344 Uh, he's thinking Costco and the theme is browsing.
- 345 You picked Stuart over one of us?
- 346 Well, I wanted to choose one of you, but you all turned against me.
- 347 Picking a best man isn't about keeping score.
- 348 But you're all my friends.
- 349 I mean, if I didn't collect data, how could I possibly choose among the three of you?
- 350 Well, that's actually kind of sweet.
- 351 Is it?
- 352 Perhaps I said it wrong.
- 353 Look, this is your wedding, just pick whoever you want.
- 354 You don't need to worry about anyone else but yourself.
- 355 You've kind of been training for this your whole life.
- 356 Thank you, Leonard.
- 357 And if it helps...
- 358 these two are quitters.

- 359 (keys jingle)
- 360 Hey, what you making?
- 361 Uh, well, I spilled the cheese packet, so we're having mac and nothing.
- 362 Oh.
- 363 Yeah.
- 364 I'll just have the mac.
- 365 "Nothing" gives me gas.
- 366 (chuckles)
- 367 Why are you in such a good mood?
- 368 Mm, I just talked to Sheldon.
- 369 He apologized about the tests and asked me to be his best man.
- 370 Uh, great.
- 371 After all you've done for him, he should've asked you.
- 372 And Amy's your best friend.
- 373 I'm sure she'll come to her senses and pick you.
- 374 Okay, she's not my best friend.
- 375 We're not .
- 376 If she wants Bernadette to be her maid of honor, I really don't care.
- 377 Sounds like you care.
- 378 No, I mean, it-it's just annoying.
- 379 You know, we talk every day.
- 380 We see each other all the time.
- 381 She's always there for me, and basically—oh, my God, Amy's my best friend.
- 382 You okay?
- 383 No, my best friend didn't ask me to be her maid of honor.
- 384 I'm pissed!
- 385 So, bottom line, what you did was wrong and cruel, which the mother of my children finds oddly appealing.
- 386 So she still wants to be my maid of honor?
- 387 Maid of honor, hit woman, whatever you need.
- 388 Make the call.
- 389 Look, I know this is your wedding, and you can do whatever you want, but if you think anyone but me is gonna be your maid of honor, then you're an idiot because you are my best friend.
- 390 Too late.
- 391 Bernade...
- 392 Bestie!
- 393 Stuart, I'm sorry if it's weird Sheldon made me best man instead of you.
- 394 It's okay.
- 395 I was best man for two whole days.
- 396 No one can take that away from me.
- 397 Except for Sheldon, when he did.
- 398 Although, if you want to be a part of the wedding party, I suppose you could be the flower girl.
- 399 Sold.

- 400 Well, I thought Halley was gonna be the flower girl.
- 401 Oh, that's much better.
- 402 Sorry, Stuart, you're out.
- 403 Hey, so is Bernadette okay with me being maid of honor?
- 404 Actually, I haven't had the courage to tell her.
- 405 I guess I should do that.
- 406 Uh, yeah.
- 407 (clears throat)
- 408 Although, as maid of honor, your job is to make my life easier.
- 409 (groans)
- 410 Damn it.
- 411 Hey, Stuart, you still want in on this wedding?
- 412 Not that much.
- 413 (sighs)
- 414 Fine, I'll do it.
- 415 But do me a favor and unlock the liquor cabinet first.

## 3.13 Episode 13: The Solo Oscillation

- 1 Hey!
- 2 Look what I got everybody.
- 3 Newspapers?
- 4 Did you find a portal back to the s?
- 5 No.
- 6 If he had that, he'd be trying to prevent NSYNC from breaking up.
- 7 Oh, please.
- 8 I'm glad they broke up.
- 9 Otherwise, Justin would never have brought sexy back.
- 10 One thing you can't get on an iPad, (inhales)
- 11 the smell of ink and paper.
- 12 One more reason iPads are better.
- 13 They reviewed my planetarium show.
- 14 Yeah.
- 15 It's on page three of the Arts and Leisure section.
- 16 Oh, look, they still have Far Side. Oh, I don't get that one.
- 17 Oh, he's pushing when he should be pulling.
- 18 Hmm.
- 19 I don't think he belongs in that gifted school, then.
- 20 What are you doing?
- 21 Making a boat.
- 22 When I was a kid, my dad showed me how.
- 23 Boy, you'll do anything to avoid reading.
- 24 Guys, it's under "Things to do this weekend." I can't find it.
- 25 What does it say?
- 26 That it's a thing to do this weekend.
- 27 That's great, Raj.

- 28 Congratulations.
- 29 You know, while we're bragging, The Journal of Prosthetic Medicine just wrote up the project that Howard and I are working on.
- 30 Well, you didn't tell me that.
- 31 Oh, it just came out.
- 32 It's just a little blurb.
- 33 Oh, well, good for you.
- 34 You know, Bert and I have started isolating zircons from meteorites for our dark matter search.
- 35 Oh.
- 36 Well, how nice.
- 37 Everyone's doing impressive work.
- 38 What have you been working on these days?
- 39 Whoa, whoa.
- 40 Where'd that come from?
- 41 Where did what come from?
- 42 (stammers)
- 43 I try to be supportive, and you break out the hot lights and the rubber hose.
- 44 I just asked what you've been working on.
- 45 Oh, my God, let it go.
- 46 Do you believe this guy?
- 47 I did it!
- 48 See?
- 49 It's a...
- 50 it's a boat.
- 51 It's also a hat.
- 52 Our whole universe was in a hot, dense state
- 53 Then nearly billion years ago, expansion started—Wait!
- 54 The Earth began to cool
- 55 The autotrophs began to drool, Neanderthals developed tools
- 56 We built the Wall
- 57 We built the pyramids
- 58 Math, Science, History, unraveling the mystery
- 59 That all started with a big bang
- 60 Bang!
- 61 Okay, how do you want to play this?
- 62 Do you want to pretend like nothing's bothering you and blow up later, or do you just want to be a maniac right now?
- 63 Nothing is bothering me.
- 64 Fine.
- 65 Be that way.
- 66 If you want to talk, I'll be flushing my sinuses.
- 67 Wait.
- 68 I have a confession.
- 69 When I be rated Leonard, it was a clever ruse to conceal the fact that  $\rm I'm$

- not working on anything.
- 70 Well, I think I speak for everyone when I say, "No!" The truth is I have nothing of interest to pursue.
- 71 Well, maybe this is the perfect opportunity to take some time for yourself and refocus.
- 72 I'm sure you'll find something you're excited about.
- 73 Thank you, Amy.
- 74 I don't know what I'd do without you.
- 75 Hey, can I stay here?
- 76 Sheldon kicked me out.
- 77 Well, is everything okay?
- 78 Yeah.
- 79 He just wants some alone time to work.
- 80 Fine.
- 81 Make yourself at home.
- 82 Yeah.
- 83 We were just about to watch a little TV.
- 84 You're welcome to join us.
- 85 Thanks.
- 86 I'll be right with you.
- 87 I just have to, uh, do my neti pot.
- 88 So what are you guys gonna watch?
- 89 Okay.
- 90 Hey, uh, what do you think we should open our show with?
- 91 Uh, "Thor and Doctor Jones" or "Let's Get Astrophysical"?
- 92 I don't know.
- 93 I think we should start with something that gets them up on their feet.
- 94 Maybe "Sherlock Around the Clock." Great, yeah.
- 95 Uh, let's give it a try.
- 96 (playing rock music)
- 97 BERNADETTE (over monitor): Halley's napping!
- 98 Keep it down!
- 99 Oh.
- 100 Right.
- 101 Sorry.
- 102 It's cool.
- 103 We don't need volume to rock.
- 104 Instead of blowing the roof off this place, we can gently lift it off and set it quietly down in the backyard.
- 105 (whispering): Okay.
- 106 One, two, three, four.
- 107 (playing quietly)
- 108 (quietly): Holmes said to Watson
- 109- On Baker Street
- 110 Come on, Doctor
- 111 Time to move them feet

- 112 (whispers): Sing it with us.
- 113 Sherlock, Sherlock
- 114 Sherlock around the clock
- 115 (whispers): We can't hear you.
- 116 Sherlock, Sherlock
- 117 Sherlock around the clock
- 118 (Halley crying)
- 119 BERNADETTE: Nice going.
- 120 Sorry.
- 121 Sorry.
- 122 I'll get her.
- 123 One sec.
- 124 (Halley continues crying)
- 125 BERNADETTE: You bought diapers, right?
- 126 Be right back.
- 127 (whispers): Rock and roll!
- 128 Okay.
- 129 Scratch paper, check.
- 130 Whiteboard, check.
- 131 Chex Mix, check.
- 132 And here we go.
- 133 (grunts)
- 134 (ringtone playing)
- 135 Oh, dang it.
- 136 Hello, Mother.
- 137 Hi there, Shelly.
- 138 You will never believe who I ran into at the barbecue festival.
- 139 I am right in the middle of some very important work.
- 140 I don't have time for this right now.
- 141 Then why did you answer the phone?
- 142 Because you raised me to be polite.
- 143 Now stop bothering me.
- 144 Hello again.
- 145 Who did you see at the barbecue festival?
- 146 Mr. Watkins.
- 147 Really?
- 148 You called me and interrupted my work to tell me that you ran into somebody you could plausibly run into?
- 149 I'm sorry, Mother, I really need to focus here.
- 150 I will speak to you next week.
- 151 Okay, sweetheart.
- 152 I'll talk to you then.
- 153 (sighs)
- 154 I thought Mr. Watkins moved to Florida.
- 155 He did.
- 156 He was back visiting his son.

- 157 Oh, gosh darn it, that is interesting.
- 158 Was it Tommy or Joe?
- 159 I bet it was Joe, 'cause he and Tommy had a falling out over that time-share.
- 160 You guys do anything fun after dinner?
- 161 Well, actually Amy came back over and we hung out.
- 162 Did you know that we're both spelling bee champs?
- 163 We stayed up for hours trying to stump each other.
- 164 Who won?
- 165 Oh, she thought she had me with "appoggiatura," but I shut that down expeditiously.
- 166 E-X-P-E-D-I-T-I-O-U-S-L-Y.
- 167 Expeditiously.
- 168 Wow.
- 169 I bet that made Penny take off all of her clothes.
- 170 Put her pajamas on and then go to bed early.
- 171 At, like, : .
- 172 Yeah.
- 173 - Hey.
- 174 - Hey.
- 175 - Hey.
- 176 Oh, are we still on for band practice this evening?
- 177 Oh, shoot.
- 178 I promised I would take Halley over to Bernadette's parents.
- 179 Dude, the gig is, like, next weekend.
- 180 I know.
- 181 I'm sorry.
- 182 (sighs)
- 183 I really want to do this, but I just don't think I have the time.
- 184 Okay.
- 185 I-I guess I'll have to cancel.
- 186 Toby Greenbaum will have to become a man without us.
- 187 Too bad, you guys kill at bar mitzvahs.
- 188 And other events that people can't leave.
- 189 I don't want to be the one who breaks up the band.
- 190 You know, maybe you should...
- 191 (chuckles)
- 192 think about replacing me.
- 193 Okav.
- 194 I mean, I know it'll be hard since we...
- 195 Oh, I bet Bert could do it.
- 196 He plays guitar.
- 197 I'm gonna go ask him.
- 198 I guess he forgot that I play the cello.
- 199 I-I don't think he did.
- 200 Okay, I think it's ready.

- 201 Should we put on safety goggles?
- 202 Well, the funnest fun is the safest fun, so yes.
- 203 Hey.
- 204 Hi.
- 205 Hello.
- 206 Oh, Amy, you're here...
- 207 again.
- 208 Yeah, Sheldon said he needed another night to work, so I said I'd give him some space.
- 209 So what's all this?
- 210 Well, Amy and I were talking about old science fair projects, and how fun it would be to recreate them.
- 211 We're making hot ice.
- 212 Mm-hmm.
- 213 It's pretty cool.
- 214 (chuckles)
- 215 Nice one.
- 216 Yeah.
- 217 Turns out we both did this as our science fair projects in ninth grade.
- 218 Do you remember any of your high school projects?
- 219 Uh, well, I remember telling Jenny Runyon that I would teach her how to flirt with boys if she put my name on her project.
- 220 I got an "A," she got pregnant.
- 221 Girls like you are why I had to come straight home after school.
- 222 Check this out.
- 223 PENNY: Wow, that's amazing.
- 224 LEONARD: Mm-hmm.
- 225 The crystallization is an exothermic process, so the ice is actually hot.
- 226 I won first place for this.
- 227 So did I.
- 228 I threw Jenny's baby shower.
- 229 Oh, hey, in seventh grade, I built a cobra wave.
- 230 You want to do that?
- 231 Oh, we can come up with a wave speed formula, and see how accurately we can predict the amplitude.
- 232 Wow, I didn't think anything could top last night's spelling bee, but here comes math
- 233 I'm sorry, we-we don't have to do more experiments.
- 234 Let's do something we can all enjoy.
- 235 Hey, uh, you want to watch that show you like where people want to buy a house and then they do?
- 236 No, no, you guys do your experiments.
- 237 I'll go pick up dinner.
- 238 Are you sure?
- 239 Yeah, you're having science fun, and I don't want to interfere, or watch you.

- 240 Did I actually do it?
- 241 I did.
- 242 I did.
- 243 The answer is one in million.
- 244 What is?
- 245 The odds of you running into Mr. Watkins.
- 246 Oh, Shelly.
- 247 I have bad news.
- 248 Mr. Watkins passed this morning.
- 249 Oh.
- 250 Oh, I'm-I'm sorry.
- 251 I know.
- 252 What are the odds of that?
- 253 Call you back.
- 254 LEONARD: Now let's calculate the amplitude!
- 255 AMY: All right!
- 256 Sheldon?
- 257 Sheldon?
- 258 Sheldon?
- 259 It's annoying when you do it.
- 260 I brought pizza.
- 261 Oh, thank you.
- 262 I have been working pretty hard.
- 263 I-I could use a break.
- 264 What's that?
- 265 Oh, yeah, that is an experiment to see how many parallelograms I could draw while holding my breath.
- 266 Is that where you blacked out?
- 267 No, actually, that's where I blacked out.
- 268 And this?
- 269 That is a list of all the different types of natural disasters.
- 270 "Fire-quake"?
- 271 I made that one up.
- 272 Which I shouldn't have, because now I'm scared of it.
- 273 Hey, I thought you were working on actual science.
- 274 I am.
- 275 I'm trying to come up with a new approach to dark matter, but people keep distracting me.
- 276 First, my mother kept answering the phone when I called, even though she knew I was busy.
- 277 And now you show up with my favorite shape of food—a circle made of triangles served in a square box.
- 278 Maybe I'll just eat this in the laundry room.
- 279 No, no.
- 280 Wait.
- 281 You don't have to go, as long as you sit quietly and don't say anything.

- 282 Fine.
- 283 (clears throat)
- 284 Mmm.
- 285 Good.
- 286 Mmm.
- 287 Are you mocking me?
- 288 Hey, you want to hear one of my geology songs?
- 289 So it's about rocks?
- 290 Better.
- 291 It's about a boulder.
- 292 Isn't that the same thing?
- 293 Far from it.
- 294 A boulder has a diameter greater than .
- 295 centimeters.
- 296 Is that fact in the song?
- 297 No.
- 298 Yes.
- 299 It's sung from the viewpoint of the boulder that chases Indiana Jones.
- 300 That's right up our alley.
- 301 Let's hear it.
- 302 Okav.
- 303 (playing rock music)
- 304 Alone in my temple in the middle of Peru
- 305 A giant stone ball with nothing much to do
- 306 But if you steal my idol
- 307 I will roll right over you
- 308 'Cause I'm six tons of granite and micaceous schist
- 309 Yeah, I'm six tons of granite and
- 310 BOTH: Micaceous schist
- 311 Yeah, I'm six tons of granite and, uh, micaceous schist
- 312 Yeah, I'm six tons of granite
- 313 And, uh, micaceous schist
- 314 Yeah, I'm six...
- 315 So, I think if we want to predict the height of the wave, we need to use elasticity theory and model the lattice as one continuous flexible piece.
- 316 This is fun.
- 317 Mm-hmm.
- 318 Playing with Popsicle sticks, exploring ways to store kinetic energy.
- 319 It's like preschool all over again.
- 320 Except now if I eat paste, it's because I want to, not because Craig Schultz is making me.
- 321 Hey, can I ask you a question?
- 322 Is it, "Where was the teacher?" She was in the bathroom smoking, that's where.
- 323 It wasn't, but I'm glad to see you've moved on.
- 324 I was gonna ask if being married felt any different.

- 325 Oh.
- 326 Uh...
- 327 not really.
- 328 Sorry.
- 329 That probably wasn't the answer you were looking for.
- 330 No, actually it is.
- 331 I mean, Sheldon and I are in a really great place right now, and I just, I
- don't want anything to mess that up.
- 332 Mm-hmm.
- 333 You do remember you're here because he kicked you out of your apartment?
- 334 Yes.
- 335 His work is important to him.
- 336 It's one of the things I find the sexiest about him.
- 337 Well, that and...
- 338 Aah!
- 339 ...his butt.
- 340 And then I was thinking about inventing a new dark matter particle to evade the omega baryon constraints, but that just seems like something anyone could come up with.
- 341 Mm.
- 342 Agreed.
- 343 (clears throat)
- 344 You know what's blowing my mind?
- 345 Somebody thought about putting cheese in this crust.
- 346 I just wish I could find something that excites me.
- 347 You do understand that crust doesn't normally come with cheese in it?
- 348 Okay, all right, look.
- 349 What got you excited about dark matter in the first place?
- 350 Well, I left string theory, which I'd been working on for a long time, and everyone was talking about how cool dark matter was, and I thought, "Well, sure, I'll give that a whirl" So it's your rebound science?
- 351 What's that?
- 352 Well, not the science you spend the rest of your life with, but the one you use to make yourself feel pretty again.
- 353 Well, if I'm being honest, I never forgot about string theory.
- 354 It's remarkable.
- 355 It's the closest we've come to a theory of everything, something even Einstein couldn't figure out.
- 356 Well, if he couldn't figure it out, maybe it's just wrong.
- 357 But it's so elegant.
- 358 I mean, look, string theory posits that the fundamental particles we see in three dimensions are actually strings embedded in multidimensional space-time.
- 359 Interesting.
- 360 So that would mean...
- 361 that...
- 362 Can't do this by myself, buddy.

- 363 (keyboard keys clacking rapidly)
- 364 What is happening?
- 365 I was trying not to wake you.
- 366 Did it work?
- 367 Sorry.
- 368 I just realized, now that I'm not in the band, I can focus on my own music.
- 369 You know?
- 370 Go solo.
- 371 You said you were taking a break from the band to help with me and the baby.
- 372 Yes, and write an astronaut musical.
- 373 Picture this.
- 374 The curtain opens.
- 375 There's a lone astronaut floating in the inky blackness of space.
- 376 Maybe wires, maybe fog.
- 377 I'll let the director figure that out.
- 378 I really don't know when
- 379 I'll run out of oxy... gen.
- 380 Good news!
- 381 I'm back in the band!
- 382 So, Bernadette doesn't mind?
- 383 It was her idea!
- 384 So it's sort of like a guitar string, but instead of making an actual sound, each vibration is a different particle.
- 385 Precisely.
- 386 And when you express it in dimensions, Einstein's relativity equations popout
- 387 Does that sound like a coincidence?
- 388 It does not.
- 389 Yup.
- 390 That's what I think.
- 391 So, so, did we do it?
- 392 Did we just solve string theory?
- 393 Oh.
- 394 (laughs)
- 395 I appreciate your enthusiasm, but this is not the sort of thing we can figure out in a night.
- 396 People have been stuck on this for decades.
- 397 Well, decades?
- 398 Really?
- 399 It's-it's a string.
- 400 How hard can it be?
- 401 It's straight, it's in a loop, it gets knotted up with other strings.
- 402 Uh...
- 403 Well, actually there are no knots in anything greater than four dimensions.
- 404 Ooh, unless we get around that by considering them as sheets.

- 405 You know, topologically speaking, that has a lot of interesting possibilities.
- 406 See?
- 407 How long did that take me, like a minute?
- 408 Thought you were getting us dinner.
- 409 Sorry.
- 410 I had to stop at Sheldon's and help him solve string theory.
- 411 What?
- 412 Yeah, turns out the answer's knots.
- 413 That's cute, but you can't have knots in more than four dimensions.
- 414 Mm, you can if you consider them sheets.
- 415 Good night.
- 416 What up, my Hebrews and She-brews?!
- 417 We are Footprints on the Moon.
- 418 KOOTHRAPPALI: Toby, today you are a man, and you will face many obstacles in life.
- 419 And some of those obstacles are gonna feel like boulders.
- 420 This first song is about the greatest boulder in the history of cinema.
- 421 One, two, three.
- 422 (rock music playing)
- 423 Alone in my temple in the middle of Peru
- 424 A giant stone ball with nothing to do
- 425 But if you steal my idol
- 426 I will roll right over you
- 427 'Cause I'm six tons of granite
- 428 And micaceous schist
- 429 Yeah, I'm six tons of granite
- 430 And micaceous schist
- 431 (shouting): I'm gonna crush you, I'm gonna mush you
- 432 You took my idol, I'm homicidal
- 433 Gonna roll over you till your brains come out
- 434 And your bones will crunch and your blood will spout!
- 435 I'm not just a rock, baby. I'm a boulder.
- 436 (yelling wildly)
- 437 'Cause I'm six tons of granite
- 438 And micaceous schist
- 439 Yeah, I'm six tons of granite
- 440 And micaceous schist
- 441 Yeah, I'm six tons of granite...

# 3.14 Episode 14: The Separation Triangulation

- 1 Space is the mirror of the soul.
- 2 Are we looking beyond, or are we looking within?
- 3 I'm looking at my shoes.
- 4 This is making me a little motion sick.
- 5 When we gaze out at the immensities of space, we understand them because

there are immensities within us as well.

- 6 I'm Dr.
- 7 Rajesh Koothrappali, and thank you for taking a walk with me...
- 8 through the stars.
- 9 That pause gets longer every show.
- 10 I believe...
- 11 you're right.
- 12 Hey.
- 13 Can I get a picture with you?
- 14 Absolutely.
- 15 And if you post it on social media, I suggest the hashtag "Koothra-poet." (laughs)
- 16 Thank you.
- 17 The show was great.
- 18 Well, I can't take all the credit.
- 19 I have pretty good co-stars.
- 20 The stars.
- 21 Do you say that to everyone?
- 22 Only to beautiful women.
- 23 And okay women.
- 24 Okav.
- 25 Uh, just to clarify: you're the first kind.
- 26 Okay.
- 27 Thanks for coming.
- 28 What did you handsome gentlemen think of the show?
- 29 Uh, you can turn it off now.
- 30 It's sweet of you to say, but I don't think I can.
- 31 Our whole universe was in a hot, dense state
- 32 Then nearly billion years ago expansion started... Wait!
- 33 The Earth began to cool
- 34 The autotrophs began to drool, Neanderthals developed tools
- 35 We built the Wall
- 36 We built the pyramids
- 37 Math, Science, History, unraveling the mystery
- 38 That all started with a big bang
- 39 Bang!
- 40 Look at this cute picture of Halley in the bath.
- 41 Aw, that's great.
- 42 Want me to send it to you?
- 43 No, on your phone it's cute, on my phone it's a crime.
- 44 I also have a pretty cute picture to share.
- 45 WOLOWITZ: What is that?
- 46 An equation.
- 47 Isn't it perfect?
- 48 Sometimes I just stare at it, and I think "I can't believe that came out of me." Well, since we're sharing pictures, I have one to contribute.

- 49 Please don't let it be you and your dog in the bathtub.
- 50 It's not.
- 51 But don't swipe.
- 52 What are we looking at here?
- 53 Well, that's me and a beautiful woman and my watch showing the time as : in the morning.
- 54 So, state's exhibit "A"?
- 55 No.
- 56 I met her at the planetarium a few days ago, and she invited me out for a drink.
- 57 Oh, good for you.
- 58 H-Hey, w-what's the Hindi word for "dog"?
- 59 Kutta. You kutta. Bow-bow. (chuckles)
- 60 That's Hindi for woof-woof.
- 61 I am seeing her again tonight.
- 62 You know, I also have a date tonight.
- 63 But don't worry, it's not another woman.
- 64 It's string theory.
- 65 Bow-bow. Sorry, he's a kutta, you're not.
- 66 (keys clatter)
- 67 Hi.
- 68 Hello.
- 69 What you doing?
- 70 Oh, taking another picture with my baby.
- 71 Look how big he got.
- 72 It's fun to see you this excited.
- 73 Aw, thank you, that's so...
- 74 (stammers)
- 75 Don't sit there!
- 76 What, what?
- 77 I, uh- sorry.
- 78 I-It's part of my organization system.
- 79 That's-that's where those papers go.
- 80 Okay.
- 81 Um, how about if I just...
- 82 slide this notebook...
- 83 Eh...
- 84 You know what, it's fine.
- 85 I'll just be in the bedroom.
- 86 No, no.
- 87 Uh, this is your apartment, too.
- 88 Uh, look, I'll-I'll stop for the night and clean this up.
- 89 Well, that's very considerate, Sheldon.
- 90 I know.
- 91 See, I'm trying this new technique where I imagine how I would feel in someone else's position.

- 92 Y-You mean empathy?
- 93 Oh, I thought I came up with it.
- 94 Well, regardless, I-I appreciate the effort.
- 95 Thank you.
- 96 It's really hard.
- 97 Morning.
- 98 Good morning.
- 99 Aw, you didn't have to cook me breakfast.
- 100 Well, I wasn't sure how I did last night, and I wanted to finish strong.
- 101 You don't need to worry.
- 102 Last night was great.
- 103 Ah, well, you say that now, but wait until you taste this.
- 104 Oh, my God, this is amazing.
- 105 Which is why I keep an omelet pan in the trunk of my car.
- 106 (both chuckle)
- 107 Well, thank you, it's delicious.
- 108 My husband never cooked for me.
- 109 Oh, uh, y-you were married.
- 110 Yeah.
- 111 Well, technically, I guess I still am.
- 112 Is that "technically," like, the paperwork hasn't gone through, or "technically," like, he's in the closet watching us right now?
- 113 No, no, we're separated.
- 114 Do you mind if we talk about something else?
- 115 Of course.
- 116 Uh, you know, my secret to making great omelets is that I beat the egg whites separately.
- 117 Speaking of which, how long have you been separated?
- 118 About two weeks.
- 119 That is not a lot of weeks.
- 120 In fact, that's the bare minimum to get to the plural "weeks." Doesn't matter.
- 121 He moved out, I moved on.
- 122 Oh.
- 123 Good.
- 124 (chuckles)
- 125 Yeah, do you mind me asking what he does for a living?
- 126 He's a firefighter.
- 127 Oh.
- 128 Interesting.
- 129 A potentially jealous man who's handy with an ax.
- 130 (laughing): It's-it's okay, though.
- 131 He's almost had two weeks to cool down.
- 132 Okay, the next drug is Romatrol.
- 133 Oh, I know this one.
- 134 We're actually pushing it really hard.

- 135 It treats mild dermatitis.
- 136 Uh, correct.
- 137 And who can it be prescribed to?
- 138 Adults and children who have absolutely, for sure, stopped growing.
- 139 Right again.
- 140 And what are the side effects?
- 141 Oh, shoot, shoot.
- 142 Mm, remember the mnemonic.
- 143 Ah- GRAVY, yes.
- 144 G-R-A-V-Y.
- 145 Okay, gastric distress, redness, a\*\*l leakage, vasculitis and yellow eyes.
- 146 Oh, uh, so close.
- 147 It's actually yellow discharge.
- 148 Oh, right.
- 149 That's why we went with "gravy." Hello.
- 150 Hey.
- 151 Hi.
- 152 He knows he doesn't live here anymore, right?
- 153 Maybe he's experiencing memory loss because he took...
- 154 (gasps)
- 155 Flaxitrite.
- 156 Yeah.
- 157 - Thank you.
- 158 - Uh, Sheldon, what are you doing?
- 159 Oh, I was just checking in on my old room to see what you've done with it.
- 160 Why?
- 161 Well, I could use a place to work in the evenings, and...
- 162 No.
- 163 Well, it's just that there's not a lot of space in our apartment...
- 164 - No.
- 165 Well, and I feel like Amy's been having...
- 166 No.
- 167 And since you're not...
- 168 No.
- 169 It's...
- 170 No.
- 171 No.
- 172 That is our room now, and we're gonna turn it into a gym.
- 173 Do you really expect me to believe that?
- 174 No.
- 175 No.
- 176 So I guess what's bugging me is that they only broke up days ago, and now I'm dating her.
- 177 So, am I, like, the good guy in my movie, or the bad guy in their movie?
- 178 Pretty sure you're the weird friend in our movie.

- 179 (sighs)
- 180 I like her, okay?
- 181 I just, I-I don't know how I feel about being the third wheel in a relationship.
- 182 Says the guy in my bed with my wife.
- 183 Guys, I mean, he's around, okay?
- 184 He's apparently not happy about the breakup, and based on the sweatpants he left at her place, he's, like, a medium to large man.
- 185 Maybe those are his "after the holiday" pants, like you have.
- 186 Oh, no.
- 187 I mean, do you think it's too soon for her to be dating?
- 188 If you and Bernadette broke up, like, how long would you wait?
- 189 Oh, well, I don't even want to think...
- 190 Eight days.
- 191 What?
- 192 Two days to cry.
- 193 Six days to hit the gym.
- 194 First of all, you already look amazing.
- 195 Aw, that's sweet.
- 196 I'm gonna give him an extra day of crying.
- 197 The answer is still no.
- 198 You can say we wouldn't know you're here, but we'd know.
- 199 Because you'd be here!
- 200 (groans)
- 201 So, who was that?
- 202 I can't believe you hung up on me!
- 203 What the hell?
- 204 What are you doing here?
- 205 I am proving you wrong.
- 206 I've been working back there for hours.
- 207 You had no idea.
- 208 (stammers)
- 209 Do something.
- 210 What the hell?
- 211 What are you doing here?
- 212 I-I am trying to respect Amy.
- 213 Okay, look, you have an office at work.
- 214 Why don't you go there?
- 215 I can't go to the office every time I have a brilliant thought.
- 216 I'd basically be living there.
- 217 Sounds good, do that.
- 218 Yeah...
- 219 No.
- 220 No, the campus isn't safe at night.
- 221 There's raccoons and undergrads just walking around like they own the place.

- 222 Look.
- 223 I need somewhere to work in the evenings.
- 224 You have a space you aren't using.
- 225 Just take a look at my proposal.
- 226 (groans)
- 227 What is this?
- 228 A rental agreement.
- 229 I will only use the room for work.
- 230 I-I won't sleep here, I won't eat your food, I won't even use your bathroom.
- 231 So you can just walk in any time of the day or night?
- 232 Well, he does that now.
- 233 At least this way we'll get paid.
- 234 I am Dr. Rajesh Koothrappali, and thank you for taking a walk with me...
- 235 ...through the stars.
- 236 I-I think that one was too long.
- 237 Yeah, you're right.
- 238 I totally felt it.
- 239 Should we, uh, run it again?
- 240 Please, God, no.
- 241 - Hey.
- 242 - Hey.
- 243 Can I help you?
- 244 Which one of you is Rajesh Koothrappali?
- 245 Really?
- 246 You're not sure which one of us is Rajesh Koothrappali?
- 247 I am.
- 248 I was just trying not to be racist.
- 249 I'm Nell's husband.
- 250 Oh, uh...
- 251 h-here's the thing – I didn't know that she was married until after...
- 252 After what?
- 253 I'm...
- 254 I'm really sorry.
- 255 Well, that doesn't make me feel better.
- 256 Wh-What would make you feel better?
- 257 I want you to stop seeing my wife.
- 258 Done.
- 259 Nice to meet you.
- 260 Bye.
- 261 What am I gonna do?
- 262 (cries)
- 263 Hey, buddy, do-do you want to talk?
- 264 I thought we were gonna start a family.
- 265 Next thing I know, it's over.
- 266 (cries)
- 267 It's gonna be okay.

- 268 How is it gonna be okay?
- 269 You're sleeping with my wife.
- 270 I mean, besides that.
- 271 Can I get you anything?
- 272 A glass of water?
- 273 A laser show?
- 274 No, thank you.
- 275 Oh, good.
- 276 'Cause I don't, I don't even know how to turn it on.
- 277 I'm sorry.
- 278 I shouldn't have come here.
- 279 I guess I just wanted to see who she replaced me with.
- 280 Don't say that.
- 281 What you two had was special.
- 282 No one can replace you.
- 283 Did she say that?
- 284 No.
- 285 (whispering): I should go, right?
- 286 (whispering): Stay.
- 287 Okay, I'll call you later.
- 288 Look, if it makes you feel any better, I barely know her.
- 289 And she had s\*x with you?
- 290 Nell tells me you're a fireman.
- 291 What's that like?
- 292 (suspenseful music playing over television)
- 293 Okay, I-I-I'm really uncomfortable with him back in that room.
- 294 Why?
- 295 He hasn't made a peep all day.
- 296 Y-Y-You don't get it.
- 297 All the years that we lived together, he drove me crazy the whole time.
- 298 And now he's not.
- 299 Exactly.
- 300 D-Don't look at me like that.
- 301 It-it-it means he did it on purpose.
- 302 It was a choice.
- 303 That-That's like finding out Godzilla could've had Arby's instead of Tokyo.
- 304 I don't think they have Arby's in Japan.
- 305 Not my point.
- 306 Sheldon.
- 307 Sheldon!
- 308 I'm sorry.
- 309 Am I being too loud?
- 310 No, you're being perfect and you know it.
- 311 Would you like me to be a less considerate tenant?
- 312 No.
- 313 Yes.

- 314 What...?
- 315 Stop messing with me!
- 316 Hey, I was wrong.
- 317 There's an Arby's in Okinawa.
- 318 He was best friends with her older brother, but he didn't even notice her.
- 319 And then years afterward, they randomly bumped into each other at the DMV.
- 320 Two hours later, they were in love.
- 321 You can really see the sparkle in his license photo.
- 322 He told you all this at the planetarium?
- 323 No, no, we went to House of Pies.
- 324 He got banana cream.
- 325 I got coconut.
- 326 We did halfsies.
- 327 You did pie halfsies with another man?
- 328 You mean other than you?
- 329 Yeah.
- 330 I feel bad for him, Bernie.
- 331 He's a, he's a good guy.
- 332 Well, if you're uncomfortable with it, maybe stop sleeping with his wife.
- 333 I don't think the s\*x is the problem.
- 334 I know for a fact I was just okay.
- 335 For the record, I'm the one who introduced you to House of Pies.
- 336 Sheldon?
- 337 Oh, Leonard.
- 338 Sorry, I just, I had to get out of there.
- 339 What did he do now?
- 340 Nothing.
- 341 He's being a dream.
- 342 Don't give me that look.
- 343 That's how Penny looked at me.
- 344 I'm not crazy.
- 345 Penny and I have the same "You're crazy" look?
- 346 That's kind of sweet.
- 347 I know how to deal with Sheldon being Sheldon, but Sheldon being a-a rational, thoughtful person?
- 348 I'm clueless.
- 349 I-It's like when my mom called last year to sing happy birthday and I-I just threw up.
- 350 Well, if it gets to be too much, you can always send him back over here.
- 351 I made a deal with him, and besides, that wouldn't be fair to you.
- 352 Well, actually, I miss him.
- 353 He's been over there a lot.
- 354 Well, great.
- 355 Tell him he can come back.
- 356 I can't.

- 357 He's thinking of me and my feelings and trying to be respectful.
- 358 That's what he's doing to me, too, the jerk!
- 359 Stop that.
- 360 Hey, your mad look and Sheldon's constipated look are the same.
- 361 This is nice.
- 362 It is.
- 363 She used to kiss me like that.
- 364 You okay?
- 365 Yeah.
- 366 Yeah, I'm sorry.
- 367 Yeah.
- 368 (crying): Oh, God, I'm so alone.
- 369 Sorry, I can't do this.
- 370 What's going on?
- 371 I met Oliver the other day.
- 372 Wait, you tracked down my husband?
- 373 No, that would be weird.
- 374 He tracked me down, then we spent the evening together.
- 375 I don't believe this.
- 376 He-he only did it because he cares about you.
- 377 No, he did it because he's possessive and jealous.
- 378 Really?
- 379 I didn't get that at all.
- 380 He made me feel very comfortable.
- 381 Well, I'm glad you two hit it off.
- 382 You know, I don't think that you're being very fair to him.
- 383 You're taking his side?
- 384 No, but I should point out that he did offer to go to counseling, so at least one of you is trying.
- 385 You're crazier than he is.
- 386 I'll tell you what, just give him one more chance and if it doesn't work out, I'll be happy to keep sleeping with you.
- 387 You would?
- 388 Either way, you've got yourself a fella.
- 389 Like, how nice is that?
- 390 Hey, Sheldon.
- 391 Hello.
- 392 Hey.
- 393 So, your contract provides for a three-day trial period, and I don't think this is working out.
- 394 So, to put it in legal terms, the party of the first part would like the party of the second part to get out.
- 395 What time does the trial period end?
- 396 -: , noon.
- 397 Yeah- what does it say after that?
- 398 Eastern Standard Time.

- 399 That was three hours ago.
- 400 And, uh, since you didn't exercise your right to revoke, I exercised my right to extend, triggering this long-form rental agreement...
- 401 ...of which you're already in violation.
- 402 This is just a-a bunch of paper.
- 403 You can't enforce this.
- 404 Hire a lawyer.
- 405 Let's find out.
- 406 This is not happening.
- 407 Be that as it may, page nine says that you have to provide me with lemon-flavored sparkling waters, so...
- 408 chop-chop.
- 409 Hey, how'd it go?
- 410 Well, apparently he's not leaving and I have to go get him sparkling water.
- 411 Why are you smiling?
- 412 I don't know.
- 413 It just feels right.
- 414 ...to the stars.
- 415 Hey.
- 416 Hey, buddy.
- 417 I talked to Nell.
- 418 She was pretty upset after you left.
- 419 Yeah, I'm sorry.
- 420 No.
- 421 No, no, no.
- 422 She told me that you said something so creepy that I seemed great in comparison.
- 423 I know exactly what it was.
- 424 I...
- 425 no, actually, there was a couple of things it could've been.
- 426 Whichever one it was, it was creepy.
- 427 Anyway, uh, I went over to comfort her, and we talked, and I think we're gonna give it another chance.
- 428 I am so happy for you!
- 429 Hey-hey-hey.
- 430 Hey, uh, we should celebrate.
- 431 House of Pies?
- 432 You know it.
- 433 Should we invite Nell?
- 434 - Do we have to?
- 435 - Nah.

# 3.15 Episode 15: The Novelization Correlation

- 1 Previously on The Big Bang Theory...
- 2 So, Leonard, tell everyone your news.

- 3 Oh, uh, I am starting a book.
- 4 That would be big news from Penny, but you've read a book before.
- 5 He means he's writing a book.
- 6 I do
- 7 It's something I've been thinking about for a long time.
- 8 Yeah.
- 9 It's about a brilliant physicist who solves crimes using science.
- 10 Oh, Leonard...
- 11 It's not about you!
- 12 Oh, boy.
- 13 What?
- 14 They cast the new Professor Proton.
- 15 Is it Sheldon?
- 16 Not exactly.
- 17 SHELDON: Wheaton!
- 18 It's Wil Wheaton.
- 19 Hey, what are you doing?
- 20 I thought we were having dinner at Leonard and Penny's.
- 21 Oh, no.
- 22 No, they're watching the new Professor Proton. I-I can't keep Wil Wheaton off the Internet, but I can keep him off my retinas.
- 23 So, you're just gonna sit here by yourself and do nothing?
- 24 Of course not.
- 25 I'm going to write mean comments about Wil's show online.
- 26 Well, you can't criticize something you haven't seen.
- 27 I'm sorry, are you familiar with the Internet?
- 28 Well, what if I watch it with you?
- 29 Maybe I won't like it and we can complain about it together.
- 30 Get your own thing to complain about.
- 31 Oh, trust me, I've got one.
- 32 Look, at least if you watch it, maybe you can find more specific things to criticize.
- 33 Oh, that is a good point.
- 34 Criticisms are more hurtful when they're specific.
- 35 Grab your goggles
- 36 Lab coat on
- 37 Here he comes, Professor Proton.
- 38 Hey, everybody.
- 39 I'm Professor Proton.
- 40 Welcome to the show.
- 41 Today I will be teaching you how to make a real hovercraft using common household items.
- 42 Darn it, I do like objects that hover.
- 43 All you will need is a CD, a bottle cap, a balloon, and some super glue.
- 44 Oh. no!
- 45 I have all those things!

- 46 Our whole universe was in a hot, dense state
- 47 Then nearly billion years ago expansion started... Wait!
- 48 The Earth began to cool
- 49 The autotrophs began to drool, Neanderthals developed tools
- 50 We built the Wall
- 51 We built the pyramids
- 52 Math, Science, History, unraveling the mystery
- 53 That all started with a big bang
- 54 Bang!
- 55 (typewriter clacking)
- 56 - Hey.
- 57 - Hi.
- 58 (typewriter dings)
- 59 What's that noise?
- 60 Oh, it's my new keyboard.
- 61 (chuckles)
- 62 It looks and sounds like an old-fashioned typewriter.
- 63 It makes me feel like a real novelist.
- 64 You poured yourself a Scotch.
- 65 (stutters)
- 66 Apple juice.
- 67 Oh.
- 68 But unsweetened, like Hemingway used to drink.
- 69 Ah
- 70 - So, how's the book coming along?
- 71 - Uh, good.
- 72 I just wrote the part where the hero, hotshot physicist Logan Dean, arrives at CERN.
- 73 Oh, is he based on you?
- 74 Uh, kind of.
- 75 But he can eat dairy products without having to leave the room.
- 76 Yeah, that's smart, because CERN is in Switzerland and there's a lot of cheese there.
- 77 Hmm.
- 78 Uh, believe me, that is a plot point later.
- 79 Well, I'm excited to read it whenever you're ready.
- 80 Thank you.
- 81 Oh.
- 82 Oh!
- 83 I just thought of the murder weapon!
- 84 Swiss army knife?
- 85 (laughs)
- 86 No.
- 87 (laughs)
- 88 That's way better.
- 89 Look, it works!

- 90 We did it!
- 91 See, there was a reason to keep that TurboTax CD.
- 92 Yeah.
- 93 A CD-ROM?
- 94 More like "CD-vroom." Do you feel bad you told Wil Wheaton that you'd be his enemy if he did this show?
- 95 No.
- 96 I feel bad I'm engaged to somebody that would point that out.
- 97 WHEATON: It's time for Professor Proton's science joke of the day.
- 98 Why can you not trust atoms?
- 99 Hmm.
- 100 Because they make up everything.
- 101 (laughs): Oh, that's funny!
- 102 Yeah, because they do.
- 103 They make up everything.
- 104 (doorbell rings)
- 105 Oh, I wonder who that could be.
- 106 Just when I thought this couldn't get any better, Wil has introduced suspense into the show.
- 107 Hey, it's real NASA astronaut, Howard Wolowitz!
- 108 What?!
- 109 Hey, Professor Proton.
- 110 Hey, thanks for being here.
- 111 No problem.
- 112 I'm on my "launch" break.
- 113 How could Wil ask Howard to be on his show and not me?
- 114 Well, he is an astronaut.
- 115 And he didn't start an online petition to get Wil fired.
- 116 But why wouldn't Howard tell me?
- 117 Well, because he probably worried that you'd be a big baby about it.
- 118 All those answers make a lot of sense.
- 119 Thank you, Amy.
- 120 That helps.
- 121 And then, when the lights come back on in the supercollider room, Dr.
- 122 Logan Dean makes two important discoveries: a gluino (gruffly): and murder.
- 123 Oh, gluino.
- 124 That's exciting.
- 125 (gruffly): And murder.
- 126 (gruffly): I heard you.
- 127 The first time.
- 128 I don't know which Hemsworth is playing Logan Dean, but I know it's a Hemsworth.
- 129 Well, Logan's actually based on me.
- 130 So a young Paul Giamatti.
- 131 Well, I have to finish writing it before they can make it into a movie, and

- I still have a few things to figure out.
- 132 You should talk to Bernadette.
- 133 Since she's been on bed rest, she's binged, like, every detective show in the world.
- 134 Oh, there was a funny detective show in India called Karamchand. He had an assistant named Kitty, and he was always saying, "Shut up, Kitty!" Sounds less mean if you say it in Hindi and don't think of women as having feelings.
- 135 Hello.
- 136 - Hey.
- 137 - Hey.
- 138 - Hi.
- 139 Howard, I want you to know that I forgive you.
- 140 I'll take it.
- 141 What's he forgiving you for?
- 142 Don't care.
- 143 Clean slate.
- 144 Happy Yom Kippur to me.
- 145 I know that you were on Wil's show, and I know why you didn't tell me.
- 146 Do you?
- 147 Because you were afraid that I would be difficult and annoying about it.
- 148 (chuckles)
- 149 I hope your book has a twist as surprising as that.
- 150 It doesn't.
- 151 I thought you were boycotting Wil's show.
- 152 I was, but I decided to give it a shot, and I actually enjoyed it.
- 153 Just out of curiosity, how did you come to be on the show?
- 154 Did he ask you?
- 155 Did you ask him?
- 156 Did you just show up on the set and ring that doorbell?
- 157 Sheldon, if you want to be on the show, you're gonna have to a pologize to Wil.
- 158 That would be the mature thing to do.
- 159 Let's put a pin in that and keep thinking.
- 160 Ooh.
- 161 What?
- 162 What?
- 163 Which part?
- 164 That was just the baby kicking.
- 165 Got it.
- 166 (chuckles)
- 167 - But this is good so far, really good.
- 168 - Yeah?
- 169 Yeah.
- 170 I have no idea who the killer is.
- 171 Oh, great.
- 172 Me, neither.

- 173 So, does Penny know you based a character on her?
- 174 What character?
- 175 Ilsa, the head of the institute.
- 176 That's clearly Penny.
- 177 No, it's not.
- 178 Really?
- 179 Confident, ball-busting beauty who's always rolling her eyes at Logan?
- 180 Trust me, that describes more women than you think.
- 181 "He looked at the stunning woman who was his boss and said..." It's murder.
- 182 Figure that out yourself, genius?
- 183 Okay, no need to be snarky.
- 184 Who would want to kill him?
- 185 Could be anyone.
- 186 Dr. Silvers.
- 187 Dr.
- 188 Prekash.
- 189 Hans the janitor.
- 190 But the door is locked, so it has to be someone in this room.
- 191 Wow, you are on fire.
- 192 Maybe it is a little like Penny.
- 193 Any chance she'll be flattered?
- 194 I don't know.
- 195 She's pretty mean.
- 196 Ilsa or Penny?
- 197 Exactly.
- 198 Oh, hey, Howard.
- 199 What's up?
- 200 I'm so sorry.
- 201 What for?
- 202 Hello.
- 203 Hello, Sheldon.
- 204 I suppose you've come here to tell me that you've moved me to your super secret enemies list.
- 205 I don't have a super secret enemies list.
- 206 I'm not a Bond villain.
- 207 I'm just a regular guy, with a regular enemies list.
- 208 Which, by the way, you are no longer on.
- 209 Really?
- 210 Well, that is something.
- 211 It's not something that I care about, but it is something.
- 212 He's trying to say he's sorry.
- 213 I am.
- 214 I watched your show, and it's really good.
- 215 Aw, thank you.
- 216 And I regret how hard I was on you.

- 217 I want you to know that being on the Professor Proton show has been a childhood dream of mine.
- 218 So, if you're ever looking for any more scientist guests, I hope you'll consider me.
- 219 I appreciate that, Sheldon, and I'll keep it in mind.
- 220 You know, actually...
- 221 Yay!
- 222 Uh...
- 223 No.
- 224 No.
- 225 I want to have more female scientists represented on the show, and I thought maybe Amy might be interested?
- 226 (stutters)
- 227 Or...
- 228 wouldn't it be nice to have us both on, to show that even female scientists can land a man?
- 229 (sighs)
- 230 I said "sorry." So, what do you think?
- 231 I like it.
- 232 I can't wait to see who the killer is.
- 233 Is it that Ilsa girl?
- 234 She seems pretty mean.
- 235 But adorably mean, like a baby lion?
- 236 No, regular mean, like a regular lion.
- 237 But it seems pretty accurate, considering who you based it on.
- 238 Huh.
- 239 And who do you think that is?
- 240 But the door is locked, so it has to be someone in this room.
- 241 Wow.
- 242 You are on fire.
- 243 Oh.
- 244 Y...
- 245 Bernadette.
- 246 Yeah, sure.
- 247 Each one of you had a motive.
- 248 Who died and made you detective?
- 249 He did.
- 250 I think you're neglecting your own motive, a massive inferiority complex.
- 251 It's not massive.
- 252 It's just average-sized.
- 253 I don't mean to interrupt, but somebody's tracking blood everywhere, sonever mind, it's me.
- 254 You say we're all suspects.
- 255 How do we know you're not the killer?
- 256 I have an alibi.
- 257 Yeah.

- 258 He's not smart enough to pull off a murder like this.
- 259 It's pretty obvious: blonde, mean, glasses.
- 260 It doesn't say "glasses." Oh, really?
- 261 (stammers)
- 262 But it will, because Ilsa does.
- 263 And you know who else wears them?
- 264 (clicks tongue)
- 265 Bernadette.
- 266 And-and that's her, cause it's, it's totally, it's totally her.
- 267 Oh, Amy.
- 268 Good, you're here.
- 269 Hi.
- 270 What's up?
- 271 How would you like to be on television?
- 272 Is it gonna be a news story where I have to say you were quiet and kept to yourself and I'm as shocked as anyone?
- 273 No, it's not.
- 274 Wil Wheaton wants you to be on Professor Proton. That's nice, but I'm not really interested.
- 275 What do you mean?
- 276 But he wants to talk about women in science.
- 277 You're a woman, you're in science.
- 278 You go, girl.
- 279 I'm all for promoting women in science, but I don't really want to be on Wil's show.
- 280 Is it because kids may be there, and they're known carriers of head lice?
- 281 I get that.
- 282 Sure, that's the reason.
- 283 Wait a minute.
- 284 You're always bragging that lice aren't attracted to you because your scalp is so oily.
- 285 That was on your dating profile.
- 286 Okay, look, I know you have strong feelings about Professor Proton, and I don't want to get in the middle of that.
- 287 So you're not going to do something just because you think it might upset me?
- 288 Well, it's tricky, because answering that question honestly is one of the things I tend not to do because it upsets you.
- 289 Well, that's very upsetting.
- 290 Like I said.
- 291 What other things don't you do because of me?
- 292 Remember last week when we went to that dueling piano bar I was so excited about?
- 293 No.
- 294 Well, now you're getting it.
- 295 Boy, I don't know how people who aren't on bed rest keep up with the

#### Kardashians.

- 296 Well, sometimes you have to read in your car while your husband thinks you're working late.
- 297 Speaking of which, he came by yesterday to show me his book.
- 298 Oh, and-and what did you think?
- 299 I liked it.
- 300 Really?
- 301 The Ilsa character didn't bother you?
- 302 Oh, he was exaggerating.
- 303 You're not really like that.
- 304 Well, I know I'm not like that.
- 305 The character was based on you.
- 306 I don't know what to tell you.
- 307 When I brought it up with Leonard, he said it was you.
- 308 Well, when I brought it up, he...
- 309 got all squirrelly and left the room.
- 310 Son of a bitch.
- 311 I just learned some very distressing news.
- 312 Sometimes, Amy doesn't do things because she's worried about how I'll react.
- 313 First of all, it's not sometimes, it's always.
- 314 Second, it's not Amy, it's everybody.
- 315 And third, it's not news, it's well-established.
- 316 Yeah.
- 317 Like just now I wanted to get a croissant, but I didn't want to hear you say, "Ooh, la, la." So you're saying everyone walks on eggshells to spare my feelings?
- 318 No, of course not, because we don't want to hear you complain about how much you hate the sound of crunching eggshells.
- 319 I don't want my relationship with Amy to be like that.
- 320 Sheldon, Amy knew what she was getting into.
- 321 You think?
- 322 Yes, we warned her.
- 323 Well, regardless, I can change.
- 324 (both laugh)
- 325 Sure.
- 326 Yeah, of course you can.
- 327 You know, everybody thinks I'm so predictable.
- 328 Well, tomorrow I'm gonna show up at work and do something no one will expect.
- 329 Where a baseball cap backwards to prove your point?
- 330 Yes, but which hat?
- 331 Gryffindor.
- 332 Well, now that you guessed it, I'm not gonna do it.
- 333 Yeah, you will.
- 334 Yeah.

- 335 (scoffs)
- 336 Looks like the bullet went right through you.
- 337 Damn it, Logan.
- 338 When are you gonna stop?
- 339 Sorry.
- 340 I didn't get my PhD in quitting.
- 341 You're a physicist.
- 342 What makes you think you can solve a crime?
- 343 He's losing a lot of blood.
- 344 Great.
- 345 I'm gonna have to clean that up.
- 346 You know what?
- 347 A little soda water might get that right out.
- 348 We got to find some bandages.
- 349 ILSA: No.
- 350 There's no time.
- 351 Does it hurt?
- 352 Everything you do hurts.
- 353 Then why do you keep coming back for more?
- 354 (door opens)
- 355 Hey.
- 356 So this is what you think of me?
- 357 Huh?
- 358 I'm mean and everything I do hurts you?
- 359 What are you talking about?
- 360 I know I'm Ilsa.
- 361 Wha...?
- 362 That is crazy.
- 363 You-you two are totally different.
- 364 How?
- 365 Well, you...
- 366 She...
- 367 Her name's Ilsa.
- 368 You know what?
- 369 It's fine.
- 370 Write whatever you want.
- 371 And by the way, Logan Dean can tell everyone he's five-eight, but he's not fooling anybody!
- 372 Are you sure that's the move you want to make?
- 373 Absolutely.
- 374 Okav.
- 375 Check mate.
- 376 Oh, I did not see that coming.
- 377 That's well played, Amy.
- 378 What's going on?
- 379 You beat me, and I am responding with humility and admiration.

- 380 What does it look like?
- 381 You let me win so you could show me how emotionally mature you are, didn't you?
- 382 Well, I couldn't wait for you to actually beat me; that would take forever.
- 383 I'm sorry.
- 384 It's...
- 385 I'm trying to show you that I can change.
- 386 I-I don't want you to miss out on things because of me.
- 387 I know you don't.
- 388 You know, and maybe somewhere out there, there is a little girl who will see you on Wil's show and realize that she, too, can grow up to be a brilliant, amazing, successful scientist.
- 389 Thank you.
- 390 Who is really terrible at chess.
- 391 Got it.
- 392 No, no, no.
- 393 I mean really bad.
- 394 What was your queen doing over there, going shopping?
- 395 I mean, I-I didn't intend to write about Penny, but I guess maybe subconsciously I did.
- 396 I believe you mean "unconsciously," dear.
- 397 Yeah, sure.
- 398 You know, it would be nice if you didn't correct me all the time.
- 399 It would be nice if I didn't have to.
- 400 Maybe this book of yours is a bad idea.
- 401 What do you mean?
- 402 Well, you're a physicist.
- 403 What makes you think you can write a book?
- 404 You're a physicist.
- 405 What makes you think you can solve a crime?
- 406 Got to go.
- 407 I think you mean "have..." Oh, Penny, good news.
- 408 It's not you.
- 409 What?
- 410 Ilsa.
- 411 It's not you.
- 412 It's my mother.
- 413 I've been writing about my mother!
- 414 I think you're neglecting your own motive, a massive inferiority complex.
- 415 It's not massive.
- 416 It's just average-sized.
- 417 We got to find some bandages.
- 418 There's no time.
- 419 Does it hurt?
- 420 Everything you do hurts.
- 421 Then why do you keep coming back for more?

- 422 Maybe you like it.
- 423 I- M-Maybe I do.
- 424 WHEATON: Well, that is our show for today.
- 425 And I want to say a very special thank you to Dr. Amy Fowler for being here.
- 426 It was a real pleasure having you.
- 427 And you can feel that pleasure because you don't have a lesion in your nucleus accumbens.
- 428 I really hope I don't.
- 429 All right, we'll see you next time!
- 430 (Professor Proton theme music plays)
- 431 Amy.
- 432 You were glowing.
- 433 (giggles)
- 434 Oily scalp.
- 435 I'm so proud of you.
- 436 And I'm proud of you.
- 437 Because you can't tell how jealous I am?
- 438 No, no, no.
- 439 I can.
- 440 But I can tell how hard you're trying to keep it in.
- 441 Really hard.
- 442 I'm gonna go to bed.
- 443 All right, I'm gonna go scream on the roof.
- 444 - Love you.
- 445 - Love you.
- 446 (Sheldon screaming)
- 447 A simile directly compares two things, using the words "like" and "as"" "I slept like a log"" "I'm hungry as a horse"" "Your love is like bad medicine." Exactly.
- 448 That's Bon Jovi.

### 3.16 Episode 16: The Neonatal Nomenclature

- 1 Howie?
- 2 Howie, wake up.
- 3 It's time.
- 4 Oh.
- 5 Did your water break?
- 6 No
- 7 Are you feeling any contractions?
- 8 No.
- 9 Wait.
- 10 Well, where are you going?
- 11 To the hospital.
- 12 Today's my due date, and this crap needs to end now.

- 13 Honey, babies don't always come on their due date.
- 14 Halley was two weeks late.
- 15 But this baby's a boy.
- 16 They don't take as long to get ready.
- 17 (laughs)
- 18 What are you doing?
- 19 I'm making the situation better with humor.
- 20 Are you?
- 21 Would you rather me make it better with magic?
- 22 Go back to sleep.
- 23 - Ta-da!
- 24 (snaps fingers)
- 25 You know, I hear that s\*x can induce labor.
- 26 Anything for my family.
- 27 Our whole universe was in a hot, dense state
- 28 Then nearly billion years ago expansion started... Wait!
- 29 The Earth began to cool
- 30 The autotrophs began to drool, Neanderthals developed tools
- 31 We built the Wall
- 32 We built the pyramids
- 33 Math, Science, History, unraveling the mystery
- 34 That all started with a big bang
- 35 Bang!
- 36 I believe today is Bernadette's due date.
- 37 Yeah.
- 38 How do you know that?
- 39 Easy.
- 40 weeks from the date of her last period.
- 41 And why do you know that?
- 42 Well, excuse me for taking an interest in people.
- 43 (scoffs softly)
- 44 So, any day now.
- 45 Oh, I don't know.
- 46 We went to the doctor this morning, and she said it could still be another week or two.
- 47 How's Bernadette holding up?
- 48 It's pretty rough.
- 49 She's having a hard time.
- 50 Why are you smiling?
- 51 I had s\*x twice last night.
- 52 That's not fair!
- 53 She's on bed rest.
- 54 She can't run away.
- 55 It was her idea.
- 56 She read that it can start labor.
- 57 Hmm.

- 58 Is that true?
- 59 Well, I would have Googled it, but I was busy taking my pants off.
- 60 Yeah, not to brag, but Amy's last birthday brought my coital tally up to four.
- 61 Whatever you're doing, it's not bragging.
- 62 - Hey, guys.
- 63 - Hey.
- 64 - Hey.
- 65 - Hey.
- 66 - Hey, I was just talking about you.
- 67 Oh, should I ask?
- 68 You should not.
- 69 I'm trying to get our grant proposal together.
- 70 Any chance you've finished up those mechanical drawings?
- 71 Oh, sorry.
- 72 I was gonna do it last night, but I got kind of busy.
- 73 Yeah, you did.
- 74 What are they talking about?
- 75 I'll give you a hint.
- 76 It's something that we have done four times.
- 77 Watched La La Land? What?
- 78 No.
- 79 No.
- 80 I've not watched La La Land four times.
- 81 If you find the soundtrack on my phone, that's just 'cause our iTunes accounts are linked.
- 82 Looks like I might have a little more time before the baby gets here, so why don't we just stay late and get it done?
- 83 Well, I don't want you to leave Bernadette alone.
- 84 Oh, we can hang out and keep her company.
- 85 - Yeah, absolutely.
- 86 - See, see.
- 87 Look at my Netflix queue.
- 88 There's two documentaries and the movie Friends with Benefits, which I thought was a documentary about employer health care plans.
- 89 PENNY: Hey, Bernie, it's me.
- 90 I let myself in.
- 91 Hey.
- 92 What are you doing?
- 93 I thought you were supposed to be on bed rest.
- 94 That's done, but I've been on stair rest for the last minutes.
- 95 Here, let me help you.
- 96 Yeah.
- 97 If you really want to help, put on a rubber glove, reach on up there and start pulling.
- 98 I know you're joking, but I grew up on a farm.

- 99 I'll do it.
- 100 Oh, I just want this to be over.
- 101 You know, when my yoga instructor was pregnant, she told me there are tons of poses that put her right into labor.
- 102 I'll try, but I feel like bendy poses are what got me into this mess.
- 103 Okay, we're gonna start with some nice breathing exercises.
- 104 (inhales, exhales)
- 105 Sorry.
- 106 I can't think of anything except how flat your belly is.
- 107 Oh, thank you.
- 108 Go put on some more clothes, you bitch.
- 109 Okay, we go down...
- 110 and back up.
- 111 And back up!
- 112 Yeah, hearing you is not the problem.
- 113 Put that phone away!
- 114 Smile.
- 115 (camera clicks)
- 116 I'm telling you, there's an acupressure point right above your ankle that can induce contractions.
- 117 All right, but just a warning.
- 118 My feet are a little swollen.
- 119 Oh, please, Bernadette.
- 120 I'm sure this- okay.
- 121 What?
- 122 Nothing.
- 123 Your ankles look fine, and not at all like I just popped open a can of crescent rolls.
- 124 My mother believes that if you're not prepared mentally, it can delay your body from going into labor.
- 125 So what are you trying to say?
- 126 It's my fault?
- 127 (sighs)
- 128 Raj is crazy.
- 129 Your ankles aren't that gross.
- 130 Hello.
- 131 Let me guess.
- 132 You're here to try to get me to go into labor.
- 133 Oh, please.
- 134 I'm disgusted when people sneeze, and that's just stuff coming out of their nose.
- 135 No.
- 136 I am here to sit with you and keep you company.
- 137 Oh, that's nice.
- 138 Yeah, by playing the most complicated board game ever invented: Campaign for North Africa.

- 139 I bought it off eBay.
- 140 It smells a little like chili, but all the pieces are there.
- 141 Come on, baby.
- 142 Get out here right now and I'll buy you a pony.
- 143 Are there any engineers on the grant committee?
- 144 I don't know.
- 145 Why?
- 146 I didn't have time to figure out the three-input hydraulic manifold, so this diagram is really just a flux capacitor from Back to the Future. I'm sorry this is on such short notice.
- 147 Hey, I just wish I could be there when you present it.
- 148 That's okay.
- 149 It's more important that you spend time with Michael.
- 150 Who's Michael?
- 151 Uh, your son?
- 152 No, it's not.
- 153 (chuckles)
- 154 My son doesn't have a name yet.
- 155 Okay, well, then, Bernadette's son.
- 156 I can't believe her.
- 157 She knows I don't want to name the baby after her dad.
- 158 - What did you want to name him?
- 159 - I don't know.
- 160 We were gonna wait until we saw what he looked like.
- 161 Well, it's a baby.
- 162 Her dad's a wrinkly bald man.
- 163 That wasn't gonna break your way.
- 164 Ah, come on!
- 165 Welcome to the next five to eight weeks of your life.
- 166 Sheldon, I said I didn't want to play your game.
- 167 Well, then don't think of it as a game.
- 168 Think of it as a source of information about one of the lesser known campaigns of World War II.
- 169 You're right.
- 170 That's so much better.
- 171 I know, right?
- 172 Okay, first, we need to roll to determine the weather.
- 173 It's a desert.
- 174 Isn't it gonna be hot?
- 175 (humming)
- 176 Yes.
- 177 Michael?
- 178 Really, you think we're naming him Michael?
- 179 Not now, Howard.
- 180 I'm in the middle of a game.
- 181 You wish.

- 182 You are hundreds of hours away from the middle.
- 183 I can't believe you're trying to hijack our son's name.
- 184 Bernie?
- 185 BERNADETTE: This is as fast as I move!
- 186 Calm down!
- 187 So you're just gonna name him Michael?
- 188 Were you even gonna tell me?
- 189 I told you.
- 190 When?
- 191 Oh, right.
- 192 That was Amy.
- 193 What's wrong with Michael?
- 194 It's my dad's name.
- 195 I don't want to name our son after your father.
- 196 I didn't want to say this, but he's dying.
- 197 He is?
- 198 Eventually.
- 199 I mean, you see the way the man eats.
- 200 Okay, is this the hormones, or have you always been a lunatic?
- 201 I don't even know anymore.
- 202 Bernie, this is our kid's name.
- 203 I think we should both agree.
- 204 You're right.
- 205 We both made this baby.
- 206 Thank you.
- 207 And I carried it, had to stay in bed for four months, sacrificed my body and my job, and soon it's gonna burst its way out of me like the Kool-Aid Man.
- 208 Exactly.
- 209 Fifty-fifty.
- 210 (quietly): I think I got Bernadette in trouble.
- 211 Maybe we should go.
- 212 I-I can't.
- 213 She and I are playing Campaign for North Africa.
- 214 (sighs)
- 215 She doesn't want to play that.
- 216 Hmm?
- 217 Neither did the Egyptians, but that didn't stop Rommel.
- 218 (door opens)
- 219 Hev!
- 220 I brought Chinese.
- 221 And I brought Indian.
- 222 What are you guys doing here?
- 223 Sheldon texted and said Bernadette wanted us all to come over.
- 224 The game's best with five to ten players.
- 225 Okay, if it's not Michael, then what do you want to name him?
- 226 Harry, like Potter or Houdini.

- 227 It doesn't bother you that I have an old boyfriend named Harry?
- 228 Okay.
- 229 (clears throat)
- 230 How 'bout Al or Max or...
- 231 Ted or Kevin?
- 232 Same answer.
- 233 Hey, Bernadette, it's your turn.
- 234 Penny's air force is strafing your supply line in Tobruk.
- 235 We're kind of busy.
- 236 Oh. 'Kay.
- 237 But you're being pretty rude.
- 238 Everyone did come over to play this game with you.
- 239 You know, I always thought Christian was a nice name.
- 240 I don't know.
- 241 Sounds a little too uncircumcised.
- 242 Bernadette, it's your turn.
- 243 What about Greg?
- 244 All right, I'll just roll for you.
- 245 Ooh!
- 246 That is a good one!
- 247 Your troops' morale rating is pretty high.
- 248 Now, Leonard, as the defender, we need to subtract your morale rating

from Bernadette's to get a final adjusted morale rating for the assault.

- 249 And I will just check the assault differential column.
- 250 Ooh!
- 251 Who said war was hell?
- 252 Yeah, that's a rhetorical question.
- 253 Sherman said it.
- 254 What about Sherman?
- 255 Like, Sherman Wolowitz.
- 256 Yeah, that's a kid who's gonna take his mother to prom.
- 257 Hey, Howard, you did that, right?
- 258 I didn't take her.
- 259 She chaperoned.
- 260 (chuckles)
- 261 We slow-danced once.
- 262 What about Paul?
- 263 Paul.
- 264 Paul Wolowitz.
- 265 I like it.
- 266 Ooh, like "Koothra-Paul-i." Okay, you ruined it.
- 267 All right, that moves us on to the tactical shipping phase.
- 268 Penny, I believe, as logistics commander, that's you.
- 269 Okay.
- 270 I surrender.
- 271 Nice try, Penny.

- 272 It takes more than every body not enjoying it to stop a game with Sheldon Cooper.
- 273 Sheldon, we're talking about something important here.
- 274 (sighs)
- 275 Fine.
- 276 If you pick a baby name, can we get back to playing?
- 277 Sure.
- 278 All right, here we go.
- 279 Ranatanata.
- 280 You can't name him Ranatanata.
- 281 Oh, right, it's a boy.
- 282 That'd be ridiculous.
- 283 (gasps)
- 284 What about Ozymandias?
- 285 Are you making these up or having a stroke?
- 286 Ozymandias is from a poem by Percy Bysshe Shelley.
- 287 Oh, oh!
- 288 Bysshe Wolowitz.
- 289 Solved.
- 290 Back to the game.
- 291 Heyo!
- 292 Sandstorm!
- 293 Some people name their kids after places.
- 294 Like what, Walla Walla Wolowitz?
- 295 If you think that is better than Ozymandias Wolowitz, then you have been breathing in the poisonous gas that my troops illegally dispersed.
- 296 Ooh!
- 297 You okay?
- 298 Uh, I think that was a contraction.
- 299 Is it time?
- 300 Do we need to go to the hospital?
- 301 No.
- 302 We've been through this before.
- 303 My water hasn't even broken yet.
- 304 Never mind your water.
- 305 Has your mucus plug popped out?
- 306 Ew, no!
- 307 SHELDON: Oh, you're right.
- 308 We probably would've heard that.
- 309 It's not a champagne cork.
- 310 Although that would be festive.
- 311 You know what, maybe we should go.
- 312 Did you have another contraction?
- 313 No.
- 314 I'm just worried that Sheldon's gonna say "mucus plug" again.
- 315 And I'm worried one's gonna hit me in the eye.

- 316 Yep, it's time.
- 317 Should we take two cars?
- 318 Uh, actually, could you stay here and watch Halley?
- 319 That way we don't have to wait for Bernadette's parents.
- 320 Yeah, you guys go.
- 321 We'll take care of her.
- 322 You have nothing to worry about.
- 323 Well, not nothing.
- 324 There are U-boats approaching the Suez Canal.
- 325 It's too late for us.
- 326 Go, go!
- 327 Save yourselves!
- 328 Suez?
- 329 Birth?
- 330 It's a big night for canals.
- 331 How you feeling?
- 332 Eh.
- 333 But I am really excited to meet our son.
- 334 Me, too.
- 335 I thought I'd be super freaked out.
- 336 But I'm ready for this.
- 337 Well, not the part where you're in labor and you squeeze my fingers till they turn blue.
- 338 (chuckles)
- 339 I'm sorry.
- 340 That must be really painful for you.
- 341 It is.
- 342 I mean, last time, I...
- 343 Okay, I see what you're doing.
- 344 Ooh, ooh, ooh.
- 345 (groans, hisses)
- 346 It's a big one.
- 347 Just breathe.
- 348 (moans, hisses)
- 349 (panting)
- 350 Okay.
- 351 Okay, I'm good.
- 352 I'm sorry I tried to sneak the name past you.
- 353 That's okay.
- 354 I'm sorry I used up so many good names in college.
- 355 I was really competitive with my roommate.
- 356 Forget about it.
- 357 (chuckles)
- 358 Please.
- 359 You know what, maybe we're putting too much pressure on this.
- 360 It doesn't matter what we name him.

- 361 He's gonna be amazing.
- 362 You're right.
- 363 This kid is part you and part me.
- 364 Yeah.
- 365 He's gonna be smart and kind and funny.
- 366 If he cracks five-foot-six, it'll be a miracle.
- 367 I've always liked the name Elliott.
- 368 Sorry, can't have it.
- 369 That's my boy name.
- 370 I said it first.
- 371 It's not like calling dibs.
- 372 Yes, it is.
- 373 It's exactly like that.
- 374 Dibs on Elliott.
- 375 I-I'm just saying, we might get there first.
- 376 You only have s\*x once a year.
- 377 I'll probably have s\*x tonight.
- 378 Fine, you can have Elliott.
- 379 When did you pick out our kids' names?
- 380 Remember that day you moved into the building?
- 381 (chuckles)
- 382 Yes.
- 383 A non-creepy amount of time after that.
- 384 Yeah, I like the name Elliott.
- 385 That wasn't on my list, but I like it.
- 386 We've heard your names.
- 387 They're ridiculous.
- 388 And I have a cousin named Dilip.
- 389 Well, I wasn't going to give them any of the good names.
- 390 I'm saving those for us.
- 391 Really?
- 392 You've thought about our kids?
- 393 Of course.
- 394 I think you and I will have exceptional children.
- 395 Aw.
- 396 Well, I think so, too.
- 397 How many kids do you guys want?
- 398 - Two.
- 399 - What?
- 400 - (stammers)
- 401 Don't worry.
- 402 I don't expect you to bear them all.
- 403 I'm sure we can find a suitable uterus to rent.
- 404 - No!
- 405 - Uh-uh!
- 406 We weren't thinking about you.

- 407 Of course not.
- 408 (grunts)
- 409 I am going to the kitchen.
- 410 Can I get anybody anything?
- 411 Penny, nice glass of milk and a multivitamin?
- 412 SHELDON: Guys.
- 413 Guys, wake up.
- 414 Terrible news.
- 415 Oh, my God.
- 416 What, what, what?
- 417 Is it the baby?
- 418 No.
- 419 No, no, we miscalculated our unassigned armor class units.
- 420 We need to start over.
- 421 What?
- 422 Oh, no, no, no, not from the beginning.
- 423 Just from when the tanks started moving.
- 424 (sighs)
- 425 That was five hours ago.
- 426 Mm, no.
- 427 No, that was two hours ago.
- 428 It only feels like five.
- 429 What time is it?
- 430 It's almost:.
- 431 Don't you think we should've heard something?
- 432 I'm sure they're fine.
- 433 I'm calling them.
- 434 (clears throat)
- 435 (line ringing)
- 436 Hey!
- 437 (chuckles)
- 438 Hey, everything okay?
- 439 Yeah!
- 440 The baby was born about an hour ago.
- 441 (gasps)
- 442 Dude, why didn't you call me?!
- 443 (chuckles)
- 444 The only way I would see my son for the first time and immediately think
- "I need to call Raj" is if he came out brown.
- 445 You know, it can take some time for pigment to form.
- 446 You're still not out of the woods.
- 447 Congratulations!
- 448 Yeah.
- 449 Hey, what'd you name him?
- 450 Neil Michael.
- 451 Neil for Armstrong, Gaiman, and Diamond.

- 452 Michael because Bernie had to get six stitches.
- 453 Neil- that's cute.
- 454 BERNADETTE: But we're calling him Michael!
- 455 (sighs)
- 456 I'm not gonna fight her.
- 457 That kid's head was the size of a cantaloupe.

# 3.17 Episode 17: The Athenaeum Allocation

- 1 Oh, my God, I can't believe how big Halley's getting.
- 2 Yeah- where's Howard?
- 3 He's changing Michael.
- 4 A-All done.
- 5 You know, fun fact, did you know baby boys can pee straight up?
- 6 Grown-up boys, too.
- 7 Why would we high-five that?
- 8 So how are you guys?
- 9 BERNADETTE: Really good.
- 10 Except for when we went grocery shopping, and the checkout lady asked when I was due.
- 11 But you handled it well.
- 12 (mouthing)
- 13 Well, if you guys need help, I'd be happy to come over.
- 14 Oh, thanks, but we're really trying to enjoy this family time before we both go back to work.
- 15 Okay, well, we all miss you.
- 16 You guys, too.
- 17 Bye.
- 18 (Skype call ends)
- 19 Ah.
- 20 Boy, seeing them all together like that has got my biological clock ticking like crazy.
- 21 Yeah, I don't think men have...
- 22 I do.
- 23 (mouths)
- 24 Hi.
- 25 SHELDON: Hello.
- 26 Hey, guys.
- 27 Hey.
- 28 Good news, we have save the date cards.
- 29 Oh.
- 30 Huh, didn't go with my calligrapher.
- 31 Interesting.
- 32 What is this picture?
- 33 Oh, it's an MRI of our brains photoshopped to look like they're kissing.
- 34 Is it too sexy?

- 35 It's too something.
- 36 Guys, May, that's exciting.
- 37 I know.
- 38 Do you guys have a location yet?
- 39 'Cause you don't have a lot of time.
- 40 Hey, it took us nine months to pick a date, and a week to decide if brains can have lips on them, so get in the boat and row.
- 41 Our whole universe was in a hot, dense state
- 42 Then nearly billion years ago expansion started... Wait!
- 43 The Earth began to cool
- 44 The autotrophs began to drool, Neanderthals developed tools
- 45 We built the Wall
- 46 We built the pyramids
- 47 Math, Science, History, unraveling the mystery
- 48 That all started with a big bang
- 49 Bang!
- 50 (whispering): Michael's out.
- 51 So is Halley.
- 52 Oh, my God, he's so cute.
- 53 So is she.
- 54 Switch?
- 55 Yeah.
- 56 Oh, my God, he's so cute.
- 57 So is she.
- 58 I just love them so much.
- 59 Me, too.
- 60 My heart feels like it's gonna explode.
- 61 Of course, it's full of brisket, so it probably will.
- 62 Oh, I didn't even know I was capable of loving someone so much.
- 63 More than me?
- 64 Wha- oh, uh...
- 65 I'm just messing with you.
- 66 I totally love them more than you.
- 67 I get that.
- 68 I would take a bullet for them.
- 69 But I would get seriously mutilated for you.
- 70 That's sweet.
- 71 But you should know, if you got seriously mutilated, I might dump you.
- 72 You'd be crazy not to.
- 73 Even unmutilated, I'm no prize.
- 74 You know, I'm really happy with our wedding date.
- 75 The month squared equals the square of the sum of the members of the set of prime factors of the day.
- 76 Isn't that romantic?
- 77 Yes, it's like that Shakespeare sonnet, "Shall I compare thee to a day that's also a really weird math problem." It's a shame you're joking.

- 78 That'd be a lovely reading at our ceremony.
- 79 Well, we only have two months to find a venue, and I had a thought.
- 80 What about the Athenaeum club at Caltech?
- 81 (gasps)
- 82 Albert Einstein was a member there.
- 83 It's beautiful.
- 84 Yeah, and Albert Einstein was a member there.
- 85 It's close.
- 86 And Albert Einstein was a member there.
- 87 And Albert Einstein was a member there.
- 88 Ah.
- 89 Now you sound like a woman who wants to get married.
- 90 So you're interested?
- 91 Oh, of course.
- 92 Yeah, but that club is extremely exclusive.
- 93 You know, Leonard's been trying to get us in there for years, but no luck.
- 94 Well, that's odd.
- 95 When I called, they said they'd be excited to give us a tour.
- 96 Well, I suppose we can give it a look, and if it doesn't work out, I hear that there is a nearby Chinese restaurant that Einstein used to frequent.
- 97 Or, we pick a place we like, and don't worry about Einstein.
- 98 Boy, reality TV is right; brides are crazy.
- 99 So, how has it been, being home with two kids?
- 100 Oh, tiring, but super rewarding.
- 101 Oh, like Pilates, yeah, got it.
- 102 Honestly, it's gonna be hard when we both go back to work.
- 103 I've been thinking maybe it would be better if one of us decided to stay home.
- 104 I don't know, I was raised by servants, and look at me.
- 105 I literally can't tell if you think that's good or bad.
- 106 Well, on one hand, they filled my tub with scented oils and brought me honeyed sweets; on the other hand, I spent my twenties incapable of talking to women.
- 107 So you know, pros and cons.
- 108 Here's my dilemma: I...
- 109 (sighs)
- 110 kind of want to stay home.
- 111 But Bernadette is a way better parent than I am.
- 112 Wait, does Bernadette want to stay home?
- 113 I don't know.
- 114 She's really invested in her career, and she's doing great.
- 115 I think it should be me.
- 116 Wow, I admire you, Howard.
- 117 I-It would be hard for me to buck traditional gender roles like that.
- 118 Didn't you see Taylor Swift twice this month?
- 119 Yeah, because she's hot, not because she sings my truth.

- 120 Did Albert Einstein ever sit in any of these chairs?
- 121 I think these are fairly new.
- 122 But Stephen Hawking's eaten here a lot.
- 123 Yeah, but he brings his own chair, you know?
- 124 Well, it seems kind of perfect, and it's close enough to your office, so you can use the bathroom you like.
- 125 Mm.
- 126 I put a sticker over the auto-flush, so it doesn't startle me.
- 127 Here's my card.
- 128 Why don't you two talk it over, and I will check to see if our soup spoons are "deeper than they are wide" What?
- 129 Too deep is a ladle, not a spoon.
- 130 I really like it.
- 131 Mm.
- 132 Oh, I must admit, I do, as well.
- 133 I- look at how somber all the men in these portraits are.
- 134 I feel like that sets a good tone for our wedding.
- 135 Is that Leonard?
- 136 Oh, no, no, these are all dead, accomplished scientists.
- 137 Leonard will only ever be one of those things.
- 138 I mean, Leonard and Penny are right there.
- 139 But he told me he checked on our membership just last week, and we were still th in line.
- 140 I'm sure there's an innocent explanation that won't ruin my day at all.
- 141 Leonard.
- 142 - Oh, hey.
- 143 - Hey.
- 144 How did you get in here?
- 145 What do you mean?
- 146 Leonard's a member.
- 147 You told me it was incredibly exclusive.
- 148 Y-Yeah, look, about that, I lied.
- 149 Hey, wait, you told me it was exclusive, too.
- 150 Mm-hmm.
- 151 I avoided him and impressed you, all with the same lie.
- 152 Damn, Hofstadter, didn't think you had it in you.
- 153 Well, I'm not sure I know how I feel about this place now.
- 154 Then don't turn around.
- 155 Cooper!
- 156 Oh, good, you're here.
- 157 There's...
- 158 (clears throat)
- 159 something I want to talk to you about.
- 160 We're not putting a TV in the bathroom.
- 161 That's how you get hemorrhoids.
- 162 No, this is important.

- 163 Uh, I was thinking maybe one of us should stay home full-time, with the kids.
- 164 Oh great, so I have to give up my job and everything I've worked for?
- 165 Actually, I was thinking I should stay home.
- 166 Oh, so I have to abandon my children and go back to work, while you get to stay home and bond with them?
- 167 You just said you didn't want to.
- 168 No, I don't want to have to, but if I want to, I should get to.
- 169 Do you want to?
- 170 Maybe I do.
- 171 What if I also want to?
- 172 Well, I don't know, we can't both stay home.
- 173 Don't you think you should go back to work, because you make more money?
- 174 Don't you think you should make more money?
- 175 I think it's pretty sexist of you to say a dad can't stay home with his children.
- 176 You know what else is sexist, the phrase "suck it," yet, here we are.
- 177 I can't believe Leonard lied to me.
- 178 (stammers)
- 179 What are we gonna find out next, that he's not really lactose intolerant, hmm?
- 180 He's just friends with an invisible trumpet player?
- 181 I know you're upset, but if we want to book the Athenaeum, we really should do it now, and then, I promise, we'll have our whole lives to complain about Leonard.
- 182 Aw, somebody got a head start on her vows.
- 183 So do we agree?
- 184 Do we want to get married there?
- 185 I don't know.
- 186 I mean, Einstein was a member.
- 187 I like that.
- 188 You know?
- 189 But...
- 190 Leonard's a member, and that really steams my clams.
- 191 Oh, I love it when you're folksy.
- 192 I'm just gonna call.
- 193 On the other hand, shaming Leonard during our wedding at the very place he betraved me does have a beautiful symmetry to it.
- 194 That's nice, it'll be your first petty act as a married man.
- 195 Uh- oh, hi, Kathleen?
- 196 Yeah, this is Amy from earlier.
- 197 I'd like to go ahead and reserve May.
- 198 Although, it is our wedding.
- 199 I- maybe it shouldn't be all about revenge.
- 200 Oh, I see.

- 201 Okay, t-thanks.
- 202 Someone booked our date.
- 203 Uh...
- 204 What?
- 205 Who?
- 206 Well, well, well.
- 207 This is a pickle.
- 208 Yes, so, if you will just move your birthday party to a different location, everything will be fine.
- 209 Ugh, i-it's tricky.
- 210 I don't want to move my party, but I also don't want to help you—oh, wait, I don't have a problem.
- 211 No.
- 212 I do.
- 213 Yeah, you do.
- 214 Morning.
- 215 Hey, where you been?
- 216 Oh, nowhere special.
- 217 Just the park, the farmer's market, then we hopped on the Gold Line to Chinatown because it's important for the kids to experience other cultures.
- 218 What have you been doing?
- 219 It's: a.m.
- 220 Sleeping.
- 221 Oh.
- 222 So are the kids.
- 223 I guess they take after you.
- 224 You're just trying to prove that you'd do a better job than me.
- 225 You're pretty sharp having just woken up.
- 226 Howard, we both know you can't keep up this pace.
- 227 By this afternoon you're gonna be passed out on the couch and I'm gonna have three exhausted babies to deal with.
- 228 Not true.
- 229 I got this.
- 230 You know, in fact, why don't you take the day off?
- 231 Mm, fine.
- 232 Maybe I'll have lunch with Penny.
- 233 Take your time.
- 234 Get a massage.
- 235 You deserve it after all the sleep you've been getting.
- 236 Maybe Barry will change his mind.
- 237 Hmm?
- 238 Oh, I doubt it.
- 239 I said some pretty unprofessional things about his work.
- 240 I may have even used the "S" word.
- 241 Subpar?
- 242 I'm not proud of it, Amy, but I have a temper.

- 243 Well, I suppose we could pick a different date.
- 244 Well, it took you nine months to choose that one.
- 245 I'll pick a different husband first.
- 246 (knocking at door)
- 247 Hey, I-I just, I wanted to apologize about the Athenaeum.
- 248 Why did you lie to me?
- 249 I don't know.
- 250 It just seemed funny at first and then the longer it went on, funnier it got.
- 251 So, yeah, I guess that's why.
- 252 That's not much of an apology.
- 253 Yeah, because he's not really sorry.
- 254 Obviously, he wanted a place to go where I wouldn't be and apparently all of outside wasn't enough for him.
- 255 Come on.
- 256 I-I do feel bad.
- 257 Why?
- 258 Did your best friend hurt your feelings?
- 259 Come on-Sheldon.
- 260 Look, I only have time to deal with one jerk right now and that's Barry Kripke.
- 261 What?
- 262 He has the Athenaeum booked for our wedding date and he won't give it up.
- 263 Yeah, so if you could just please leave before I get angry and say something I will regret about your face, your height, your personal hygiene or the fact that your science, while serviceable, lacks panache.
- 264 That's actually one of the nicest things you've ever said about my work.
- 265 And now I regret it.
- 266 Good-bye.
- 267 Hey.
- 268 There you are.
- 269 Yeah, I just wanted to stop in and see my office before we went to lunch.
- 270 Just a few more weeks, you'll be back full-time, huh?
- 271 Yeah.
- 272 Uh-oh.
- 273 That wasn't a happy "yeah." That was a "Hey, Leonard, do you want to go to the gym?" yeah.
- 274 I've just been thinking that maybe I'd rather stay home with the kids and be a mom.
- 275 Wow.
- 276 That's big.
- 277 I know.
- 278 Dr.
- 279 Rostenkowski.
- 280 I'm sorry, I didn't know you were back.
- 281 Oh, I'm not.

- 282 I just came to meet Penny for lunch.
- 283 Is there anything I can get you?
- 284 Coffee?
- 285 Water?
- 286 No, I think we're just gonna...
- 287 Coffee sounds good.
- 288 Cold brew, almond milk?
- 289 Perfect.
- 290 Nothing-nothing for me.
- 291 (clears throat)
- 292 It's weird.
- 293 I've been away so long I don't miss any of this.
- 294 (intercom buzzes)
- 295 JESS: Sorry to bother you.
- 296 Dr.
- 297 Lee heard you were here and had a quick question.
- 298 Fine.
- 299 Put him on.
- 300 Jerold, what's going on?
- 301 Hope you're not screwing up my research.
- 302 You calling from a bike ride?
- 303 'Cause you're backpedaling hard.
- 304 All right, fine.
- 305 E-mail it over.
- 306 I'll take a look.
- 307 (clears throat)
- 308 Oh, sorry.
- 309 Where were we?
- 310 Love your kids.
- 311 Don't miss your job.
- 312 Right, right.
- 313 There's nothing in the world like holding your sleeping baby, knowing you make him feel safe and then—Oh, good, you got the little cookies I like.
- 314 I wouldn't mind a cookie.
- 315 And he's gone.
- 316 Okay.
- 317 (knock on door)
- 318 Hey, Kripke.
- 319 Hello, Hofstadter.
- 320 Why are you cleaning that out yourself?
- 321 Don't you have grad students?
- 322 Come on, I can't make my grad students do every dirty job or so I've been told in writing by the head of Human Resources.
- 323 Fair enough.
- 324 Uh, so, look, I'm here to ask you to give Sheldon and Amy the Athenaeum for their wedding.

- 325 (laughs)
- 326 Why would I do that?
- 327 Because deep down, Barry, you're a really good guy.
- 328 But am I?
- 329 Fine.
- 330 What's it gonna take?
- 331 Barry, I've come to ask one more...
- 332 Leonard?
- 333 Wh-Why are you doing that?
- 334 Because deep down Barry is not a good guy.
- 335 He's making you clean out barrels of irradiated grease?
- 336 Yeah.
- 337 I made a deal with him to get you the Athenaeum for your wedding.
- 338 Why would you do that?
- 339 (sighs)
- 340 Because I was a jerk for lying to you before and besides, you're my best friend.
- 341 I want you to have the wedding of your dreams.
- 342 On Mars?
- 343 Okay, I want Amy to have the wedding of her dreams.
- 344 Well, thank you.
- 345 But I don't want you to do this.
- 346 No, it's okay.
- 347 No, it's not.
- 348 We're not going to let Barry win.
- 349 Well, what are we going to do?
- 350 We have a combined IQ of .
- 351 Perhaps more if that radiation gave you a super brain.
- 352 You know what?
- 353 You're right.
- 354 If we work together we could totally outsmart Barry Kripke.
- 355 Leonard, my nose itches.
- 356 What do I do?
- 357 Oh, boy.
- 358 I really passed out hard.
- 359 Yeah, tell me about it.
- 360 The kids could've screamed bloody murder and you wouldn't have woken up.
- 361 Which I know because they did.
- 362 I'm sorry.
- 363 Why did I think I could do this on my own?
- 364 Hey, don't beat yourself up.
- 365 Parenting is hard.
- 366 Like, I've seen and smelled things today that I cannot unsee or unsmell.
- 367 Thanks for covering for me.
- 368 No, I mean he only drinks milk.

- 369 Like, where are the colors coming from?
- 370 What time is it?
- 371 Uh, it's almost : .
- 372 Okav.
- 373 Bernadette's gonna be home soon.
- 374 We got to divide and conquer.
- 375 I'll make dinner.
- 376 You watch the kids.
- 377 Uh, kids are asleep.
- 378 Great, then you make dinner.
- 379 Hey, good news, Amy.
- 380 We got the Athenaeum.
- 381 Oh, my gosh.
- 382 That's amazing.
- 383 How'd you get Barry to change his mind?
- 384 Well, I couldn't have done it without Leonard.
- 385 Boy, you should've seen us in there.
- 386 We were like Batman and Robin.
- 387 Why do I have to be Robin?
- 388 If you have to ask, you're Robin.
- 389 What happened?
- 390 Well, we scrubbed out some barrels of irradiated grease, rinsed off in a safety shower and then told Barry Kripke what is what.
- 391 And he just gave in?
- 392 Well, we agreed to invite him to the wedding.
- 393 Okay.
- 394 No problem.
- 395 - And he gets to bring a date.
- 396 - Yeah.
- 397 Well, that's reasonable.
- 398 A-And if she charges by the hour, we have to cover it.
- 399 What else did you agree to?
- 400 Well, um, you know how Barry has the voice of an angel?
- 401 He is not singing at our wedding.
- 402 (stammers)
- 403 He only wants to sing "Volare." Oh, "Volare".
- 404 That's what he was saying.
- 405 Boy, I didn't, I did not get that.
- 406 Guys, I appreciate everything you did, but we can find another location that's just as good.
- 407 Maybe the Japanese garden or the planetarium.
- 408 (gasps)
- 409 The planetarium.
- 410 I hadn't thought about that.
- 411 That's even better.
- 412 LEONARD: Wait, what?

- 413 I scrubbed sludge for you.
- 414 (stammers)
- 415 I may be slightly radioactive.
- 416 Oh, you're exaggerating.
- 417 Don't let him touch the silverware.
- 418 Why is Raj asleep on our couch?
- 419 Oh.
- 420 I needed some help so he came by, played with the kids, read them some stories, put them down for their nap and made dinner.
- 421 What'd you do?
- 422 Ate dinner.
- 423 Okay, look, I don't think I'm cut out to be a stay-at-home dad.
- 424 And since you want to, you should stay home.
- 425 I-I do definitely want to, but I know how much this means to you and it was just one day.
- 426 So, don't give up.
- 427 You don't want to stay home, either.
- 428 Do you?
- 429 When I went by the office they gave me coffee and cookies and no one peed on me.
- 430 I miss that so much.
- 431 Well, I love the kids, but I also love my job.
- 432 (laughing): And sleep.
- 433 I know.
- 434 I took a two-hour nap on the couch in my office.
- 435 I took a three-hour nap on the floor in the living room.
- 436 How do you feel now?
- 437 Honestly?
- 438 Still tired.
- 439 Me, too.
- 440 I love you.
- 441 I love you, too.
- 442 And we'll figure this all out.
- 443 Yeah.
- 444 Everyone's asleep.
- 445 You want to head upstairs and...
- 446 (giggles)
- 447 ...you know.
- 448 Let's just do it right here.
- 449 Oh, oh, I like the way you think.

## 3.18 Episode 18: The Gates Excitation

- 1 But why do they still call Batman using the Bat-Signal?
- 2 Wouldn't it just be, like, easier to text him?
- 3 The Bat-Signal isn't just to alert Batman, it's also to strike fear in the hearts

of his enemies and let them know he's coming.

- 4 Sort of like Sheldon's knock.
- 5 Comparing me to Batman?
- 6 I'll take it.
- 7 If we don't do anything, how long do you think they'll talk about Batman?
- 8 Well, I've know them for years, so...
- 9 years.
- 10 I believe they do text him.
- 11 The-the Bat-Signal is linked to his phone via Bluetooth.
- 12 Has that been in the comics?
- 13 No, it's just what I believe.
- 14 All right, I'm putting a stop to this.
- 15 If you knew how, why'd you wait years?
- 16 Hey, guys, guess what?
- 17 Today at work, I found out I am going to meet Bill Gates.
- 18 (excited chatter)
- 19 Sorry, Leonard, you and Penny had a good run.
- 20 I'm not leaving him for Bill Gates.
- 21 You sure?
- 22 I-I bet his Internet's really fast.
- 23 How did this happen?
- 24 Well, his foundation is looking to partner with a pharmaceutical company to help develop affordable vaccines so they asked me to show him around.
- 25 That's great.
- 26 When's he coming?
- 27 Uh, he gets in on Sunday, and Monday morning, I'm gonna give him a tour of the labs and offices.
- 28 Oh.
- 29 He gets in on Sunday, April first?
- 30 (chuckles)
- 31 Nice try, Penny.
- 32 What're you talking about?
- 33 April Fools' Day.
- 34 This is another one of your classic pranks you try to pull on me every year.
- 35 Literally never pulled a prank on you.
- 36 Oh, really?
- 37 What about last year, when you sent me that e-mail with the photo attached, but you didn't attach a photo.
- 38 That was a mistake.
- 39 Messing with me?
- 40 Yes, it was.
- 41 And this year, I am not falling for it.
- 42 Sheldon, I swear...
- 43 No...
- 44 what are you doing?
- 45 Oh, you're right.

- 46 He's not coming.
- 47 April fools.
- 48 You know what they say, fool me "N" times, where "N" equals the amount of times you've already fooled me, shame on you.
- 49 Fool me "N" plus one times, shame on me.
- 50 Our whole universe was in a hot, dense state
- 51 Then nearly billion years ago expansion started... Wait!
- 52 The Earth began to cool
- 53 The autotrophs began to drool, Neanderthals developed tools
- 54 We built the Wall
- 55 We built the pyramids
- 56 Math, Science, History, unraveling the mystery
- 57 That all started with a big bang
- 58 Bang!
- 59 So you're gonna spend a day with Bill Gates.
- 60 I'm a little jealous.
- 61 Well, I'm a little nervous.
- 62 You know, if I do a good job, I'm hoping they'll consider me for a PR position that's opening up.
- 63 Well, if you're nervous, I-I know a lot about him.
- 64 I can fill you in or maybe come along, whatever.
- 65 I think I'll be okay.
- 66 Well, I'm-I'm just saying, what are you gonna do when he wants to talk about high-level language interpreters for microcomputers?
- 67 What are high-level language interpreters for microcomputers?
- 68 A way of programming computers using words and commands instead of binary code.
- 69 Oh.
- 70 That's actually kind of interesting.
- 71 Tell me more.
- 72 Oh, well...
- 73 That, I'll do that.
- 74 Mm-hmm.
- 75 I didn't even see it coming.
- 76 - Yeah, well...
- 77 You never do.
- 78 Well, i-it's just, he's an idol of mine and I would love the chance to hang out with him.
- 79 Look, I know you want to meet him, but I can't turn this into a social thing, okay?
- 80 This is my job.
- 81 I really need it to go well.
- 82 I get it, I get it.
- 83 You're right.
- 84 Actually, I've-I've already met him once before.
- 85 He gave a talk at Princeton and my mom took me.

- 86 Oh, really?
- 87 Was he nice?
- 88 He's super nice.
- 89 I-I got pretty emotional and started crying and...
- 90 He didn't make fun of me or anything.
- 91 Well, you were a kid.
- 92 Uh-huh.
- 93 Bye, my babies, I love you.
- 94 (high-pitched): We love you, too, Mommy.
- 95 Yeah, don't do that.
- 96 AMY: Bernadette?
- 97 Hi.
- 98 Where you off to?
- 99 El parque. El parque? I'm learning Spanish so I can talk to the other nannies.
- 100 How's that going?
- 101 Bueno. Good?
- 102 Oh...
- 103 No bueno. Thanks for coming over.
- 104 - No problem.
- 105 Can I get you anything?
- 106 Juice box?
- 107 'Naners?
- 108 'Naners?
- 109 Sorry.
- 110 Mom brain.
- 111 I think I've forgot how to talk to grown-ups.
- 112 I meant Ba-naners.
- 113 You know what, I'm good.
- 114 Okay.
- 115 So, what are we watching?
- 116 Bob the Builder. I'll catch you up.
- 117 That one's Bob.
- 118 He's a builder.
- 119 Isn't this a kids show?
- 120 It's what we watch in this house.
- 121 Bob the Builder, Dinosaur Train, and Peppa Pig, which is both funny and meaningful.
- 122 You want to take a break and maybe get something to eat?
- 123 Sure.
- 124 Why does it not feel like we're going?
- 125 Hang on, I-I just want to see if Bob can fix it.
- 126 (chuckles)
- 127 Yes, he can!
- 128 Oh, hey.
- 129 I folded your laundry for you.

- 130 You're welcome.
- 131 Uh, that's not mine.
- 132 You're saying that these aren't yours?
- 133 No.
- 134 So you're saying that I'm touching a stranger's underpants?
- 135 Yes.
- 136 And just like that, it's the worst day of my life.
- 137 - Wait, why are you being so weird?
- 138 - (sighs)
- 139 It occurred to me that perhaps you were telling the truth about Bill Gates and it wasn't just part of an elaborate prank.
- 140 What would the prank part even be?
- 141 I show up to meet Bill Gates over your "objections," but it's not Bill Gates at all, no.
- 142 It's one of those look-alikes that you hire for a party.
- 143 And then when I go around showing every body the balloon animal that
- "Bill Gates" made for me, I'll look like an idiot.
- 144 Have you been eating laundry detergent?
- 145 I just need you to tell me the truth.
- 146 This is driving me crazy.
- 147 Sheldon, he is really coming.
- 148 Is he?
- 149 He is.
- 150 Really?
- 151 Yeah.
- 152 Well, now I don't know what to believe!
- 153 Thanks for getting me out of the house.
- 154 I feel like my brain is turning to mush.
- 155 Happy to help.
- 156 Did I show you the video of the kids sitting?
- 157 Yes, you texted it to me at: a.m.
- 158 Thought someone was either in jail or dead.
- 159 I'm sorry.
- 160 No, no, i-it gave me something to watch while I tried to go back to sleep.
- 161 You know what?
- 162 I don't want to be one of those moms who can only talk about her kids.
- 163 Okay, well, I'm reading a pretty good book.
- 164 It's the untold story of female artists during the Renaissance.
- 165 Oh, I'm in the middle of a book, too.
- 166 It's three pages long and floats in the bath.
- 167 All right, we can talk about something else.
- 168 It also quacks when you squeeze it.
- 169 You should've seen Michael laugh.
- 170 I think I have a video.
- 171 Or maybe we can't.
- 172 Why is your screen name "JohnWilliams"?

- 173 Uh, because I always score.
- 174 Hey, I think I'm gonna head to the office for a little bit.
- 175 On a Sunday?
- 176 Yeah.
- 177 Want to make sure I'm prepared for tomorrow.
- 178 Do you think you could get Bill Gates to sign something for me?
- 179 Yeah, maybe, like what?
- 180 Oh, my arm, my chest, his call.
- 181 His call will be to the police.
- 182 Penny, remember when I introduced you to calorie Dove bars and you said you owed me, like, big-time?
- 183 Guys, even if I wanted to introduce you, there is no room in his schedule.
- 184 I mean, look.
- 185 Look at this itinerary.
- 186 I meet him at his hotel first thing tomorrow morning, then we're on the go all day long.
- 187 You're right.
- 188 Guys, this is her job.
- 189 We need to respect that.
- 190 Thank you, honey.
- 191 Proud of you.
- 192 Love you.
- 193 (door closes)
- 194 I totally just saw what hotel he's staying at.
- 195 What are we waiting here for?
- 196 For Penny to walk down the stairs, get in her car, and drive away.
- 197 Right, smart.
- 198 (clears throat)
- 199 Is that long enough?
- 200 She's pretty quick, let's go.
- 201 What would you do if you had a billion dollars?
- 202 Same as Bill Gates, try to make the world a better place, but I'd do it in a working Iron Man suit.
- 203 I didn't know that came in a boys' medium.
- 204 Th-This is a bad idea.
- 205 Maybe we should go.
- 206 What are you talking about?
- 207 I don't know.
- 208 I'm just feeling guilty, like I'm kind of sneaking around behind Penny's back.
- 209 We're not doing anything wrong.
- 210 We're just hanging out in a hotel lobby.
- 211 Plenty of people do that: businessmen, high-end prostitutes.
- 212 That's a fun new game, CEO or Ho.
- 213 No, this is wrong, let's go.
- 214 Guys, guys, that's him.

- 215 - Be cool.
- 216 -Oh, my God.
- 217 Oh, my God.
- 218 Oh, my God.
- 219 Oh, my God.
- 220 Cooler.
- 221 Oh, my God.
- 222 Oh, my God.
- 223 Oh, my God.
- 224 Uh, M-Mr.
- 225 Gates, I'm-I'm Dr.
- 226 Leonard Hofstadter.
- 227 We've actually met before.
- 228 Sorry, I don't remember.
- 229 You were so nice, a-and it was really special to me because you've been such a big influence on my life.
- 230 I mean, ever since I was a little kid, I've looked up to you like-like a hero.
- 231 Oh, now I remember.
- 232 Would you like a tissue?
- 233 How about a hug?
- 234 How-how about a tissue?
- 235 Sorry I talked about my kids the whole time.
- 236 Oh, don't worry about it.
- 237 I mean, besides you cutting up my meat for me, it was a lovely lunch.
- 238 God.
- 239 What's happening?
- 240 I'm a smart, educated, successful...
- 241 "Woman"?
- 242 I was gonna get it.
- 243 Don't be so hard on yourself.
- 244 Pregnancy and childbirth actually cause physical changes to the structure of your brain.
- 245 I liked the old structure of my brain.
- 246 But then, I liked a lot of my old structures.
- 247 Well, these are positive changes.
- 248 Studies with rats show that new mothers are more sensitive to danger, better at multitasking and bolder in the pursuit of food.
- 249 I did stick a couple lamp chops in my purse.
- 250 So that's what I was smelling.
- 251 Look, even though your brain is different, in many ways, it's better.
- 252 But were you bored?
- 253 Of course not.
- 254 You're lying.
- 255 Which you can tell, because your maternal brain is better at sensing non-verbal cues.
- 256 Now you're just being condescending.

- 257 (laughs softly)
- 258 Look at you, two for two.
- 259 LEONARD: Uh, hold the door.
- 260 Hold the door!
- 261 (keys jangle)
- 262 Oh.
- 263 Hi, Leonard.
- 264 Didn't you hear me yell "hold the door"?
- 265 I did.
- 266 But you know what they say, "hold the door, get robbed some more." No one says that.
- 267 Oh.
- 268 Well, they should, because it's true, and it rhymes.
- 269 So where have you been?
- 270 Actually, I met Bill Gates.
- 271 (sighs)
- 272 I see.
- 273 You're all in on it.
- 274 Uh, nice try.
- 275 It's not an April Fools' joke, Sheldon.
- 276 I actually went to a hotel and met him.
- 277 Right, right.
- 278 Okay, so, uh, "Bill Gates" was at the "hotel" that you "went to." Why is "went to" in quotes?
- 279 Fine.
- 280 So "Bill Gates" was at the "hotel" that you went to.
- 281 That's you and Bill Gates.
- 282 It is.
- 283 Were you crying?
- 284 No.
- 285 So, it wasn't a joke, and I actually could've met him?
- 286 Well, he's probably still there.
- 287 (gasps)
- 288 What hotel?
- 289 The La Quinta Inn in Thousand Oaks, under the name Hernandez.
- 290 Thank you, thank you so much!
- 291 April fools.
- 292 Hey.
- 293 Hey, where you been?
- 294 Uh, just hanging out with the guys.
- 295 They still mad at me?
- 296 Uh, they were, but then I was like, "Hey," and they were like, "What?"
- and I was like, "You know," and they were like, "Okay." You're a good husband.
- 297 Well, it's not for me to say, but you just said it, so you're probably right.
- 298 Well, as it turns out, there is a little reception for Mr.
- 299 Gates tomorrow night.

- 300 I asked if I could bring you, and they said yes.
- 301 What?
- 302 Yeah, you get to meet Bill Gates again.
- 303 Wait, what do you mean "again"?
- 304 'Cause you met him that one time with your mom.
- 305 Yes.
- 306 And then again tomorrow, for a total of two, and only two times.
- 307 Yeah.
- 308 I wonder if he'll remember you.
- 309 Yeah, I wonder that, too.
- 310 BERNADETTE (over baby monitor): The sun is losing about six times ten to the th grams per second, so the fraction of the mass it loses every year is about ten to the negative th.
- 311 But don't worry.
- 312 It'll be millions of years before we all freeze to death.
- 313 Sweet dreams.
- 314 Wow.
- 315 Hop on Pop took a dark turn there at the end.
- 316 Amy made me realize that new mothers are cognitively primed to take in new information, and I've been wasting it making up songs about our babies' toes
- 317 To be fair, I cowrote "Pinky Toe, Pinky Toe." Evolution gave me this mom brain to focus on the baby, but I figure I can hack it to learn all kinds of new things.
- 318 Well, that's great.
- 319 Yeah.
- 320 There was a problem, and I fixed it.
- 321 Like Bob the Builder in that giraffe cage.
- 322 Spoiler alert.
- 323 I didn't see that one yet.
- 324 So that's fun.
- 325 You get to meet Bill Gates again.
- 326 It's not fun, I'm screwed.
- 327 It's fun for us.
- 328 (chuckles)
- 329 Maybe he won't remember you.
- 330 (sighs)
- 331 I snotted on his tie.
- 332 Yeah, you did, like, a lot.
- 333 Hello, Leonard.
- 334 Thought I'd find you here.
- 335 You snake.
- 336 What's going on?
- 337 He sent me all the way to Thousand Oaks to meet Bill Gates when he knew full well he wasn't staying there.
- 338 Wha-Leonard, that's terrible.

- 339 Yeah, why would you do that?
- 340 You know he's staying at the DoubleTree in Long Beach.
- 341 Aha!
- 342 Wait.
- 343 How do I know you're not tricking me?
- 344 We probably are.
- 345 But what if we're not?
- 346 You think you're so smart.
- 347 You think I'm going to fall for it again, don't you?
- 348 Well, I won't.
- 349 Where you going?
- 350 Shut up.
- 351 Aw, are you sure you can't come?
- 352 I want to, but I'm just too sick.
- 353 Aw.
- 354 And you really wanted to meet him.
- 355 I know.
- 356 And I've been trying to hide it so I could go, but I don't want to make him sick.
- 357 Yeah.
- 358 Yeah, you do look pretty pale and clammy.
- 359 Yeah.
- 360 Have fun.
- 361 Well, feel better, okay?
- 362 No, that's just my regular pale and clammy.
- 363 I mean, really, the bigger danger isn't the loss of mass.
- 364 Instead, it will run out of hydrogen to use for nuclear fuel, swell up into a red giant, and fry the Earth.
- 365 So you don't want to split a salad?
- 366 No, thank you.
- 367 But speaking of splitting things, did you hear about the light-splitting greenhouse film that could improve photosynthetic efficiency?
- 368 No.
- 369 Just a little something I read while nursing a human being that I made.
- 370 I'm just gonna get the chicken.
- 371 Ah.
- 372 N-E-K-C-I-H-C: chicken backwards.
- 373 Boom, mom brain.
- 374 And a whole bottle of wine.
- 375 Whoa.
- 376 Oh, oh, oh, oh!
- 377 (laughs)
- 378 In your face!
- 379 (Skype chiming)
- 380 (weakly): Hello?
- 381 Aw, hey, sweetie, how you feeling?

- 382 (moans)
- 383 Okay.
- 384 I'm just resting.
- 385 Well, I have a surprise that might make you feel better.
- 386 Oh, really?
- 387 Yeah, look who's here.
- 388 Wait, I know you.
- 389 No, you don't.
- 390 Yes, I do.
- 391 You were waiting for me at my hotel.
- 392 You ruined my tie.
- 393 Wait, what?
- 394 What's he talking about?
- 395 Uh, he, uh- obviously, he's kidding.
- 396 That's a, that's a good one, Bill.
- 397 I got to go.
- 398 Stupid Leonard, meeting stupid Bill Gates, without stupid me.
- 399 Aw.
- 400 I am so sorry- Sheldon?
- 401 Oh, Leonard, I can't stay mad at you.
- 402 Come here.
- 403 (laughs)
- 404 Apology accepted.
- 405 What's for dinner?
- 406 I'm starving.
- 407 Hola.
- 408 How are you ladies doing?
- 409 Raise your hands if you're bueno. (Letty laughs)
- 410 Me llamo Stuart Bloom.

# 3.19 Episode 19: The Tenant Disassociation

- 1 Why are you wearing a Band-Aid?
- 2 Halley bit me.
- 3 (laughs)
- 4 You got beaten up by a girl.
- 5 Hey, that's sexist.
- 6 You're right.
- 7 (laughs)
- 8 You got beaten up by a baby.
- 9 - Hi.
- 10 - Hey.
- 11 - Hey.
- 12 - What you got there?
- 13 - Oh, I grabbed a sandwich at the food truck out front.
- 14 Wait, n-now, hold on.

- 15 Tonight is Friday, and I believe you know what that means.
- 16 That my fun, young life took a drastic turn somewhere?
- 17 No.
- 18 But yeah.
- 19 No, that means it's Chinese food night.
- 20 Yeah, and you have Chinese food.
- 21 So eat it.
- 22 But I can smell your pastrami.
- 23 And we can all hear your complaining, so no one's happy.
- 24 It does smell good.
- 25 Oh, it is.
- 26 I had one the other day.
- 27 (stammers)
- 28 What is happening?
- 29 Everybody's supposed to be eating Chinese food.
- 30 Well, actually, I believe the Chinese may have invented the sandwich.
- 31 Their dish "rou jia mo" literally means "meat between bread." So, it looks like all of us, including Penny, are eating Chinese food.
- 32 Except for you, Sheldon.
- 33 You're eating crow.
- 34 I'm sorry, I think you're forgetting that the sandwich was invented by John Montagu, the Earl of Sandwich.
- 35 Oh.
- 36 The truck's called "Pearl of Sandwich." Now I get it.
- 37 All right, that smells too good.
- 38 I got to get one of those.
- 39 And I think you're forgetting that there are written documents of meat between bread being eaten in China during the Tang dynasty.
- 40 You know what, I'll go with you.
- 41 And then maybe we just go home.
- 42 I think you're defining bread very loosely.
- 43 If we go down that road, where does it end?
- 44 Well, I would say when we go to bed, but you talk in your sleep.
- 45 I don't want to get into this with you right now.
- 46 We'll talk about this when I'm asleep.
- 47 I don't want to talk about it when you're asleep.
- 48 How come we can't talk about it now?
- 49 Well, because I'm eating now.
- 50 Fine.
- 51 How's your moo shu?
- 52 You know what?
- 53 It's great.
- 54 Wait, look at that.
- 55 Hmm.
- 56 Well, maybe the Chinese did invent the sandwich.
- 57 I guess you were right.

- 58 Too bad no one's around to hear it.
- 59 Our whole universe was in a hot, dense state
- 60 Then nearly billion years ago expansion started... Wait!
- 61 The Earth began to cool
- 62 The autotrophs began to drool, Neanderthals developed tools
- 63 We built the Wall We built the pyramids
- 64 Math, Science, History, unraveling the mystery
- 65 That all started with a big bang
- 66 Bang!
- 67 I can smell that food truck from up here.
- 68 Just close the window if you don't like the smell.
- 69 Of course I like the smell.
- 70 It's salt and fat.
- 71 My brain may be evolved, but my tongue still wants to pick up a club and drag that truck back to my cave.
- 72 So, there's something you like, but it's also driving you crazy.
- 73 Been there, doing it now.
- 74 No, it-it's a distraction.
- 75 How can I focus on my work when all I can think about is how much I want that sandwich?
- 76 So, go get one.
- 77 I can't just give in to every urge I have when I have it.
- 78 That's why I have a rigid schedule.
- 79 It's bad enough I had to give in to my urge to create a rigid schedule.
- 80 You know, why don't I just go down to the food truck and ask them to move?
- 81 - Why are you taking cash?
- 82 - No reason.
- 83 Oh, this is the life.
- 84 What could be better than this?
- 85 If you weren't wearing one of my swimsuits.
- 86 I'll give it back.
- 87 (chuckles)
- 88 You know the rule—once it touches hiney, it's no longer miney.
- 89 You're such a prude.
- 90 Do you know all the things this water's touching right now?
- 91 Well, I'm relaxed enough.
- 92 Hey, Howard, look.
- 93 What's that?
- 94 Huh.
- 95 Looks like someone's drone.
- 96 Oh, no.
- 97 Do you think it was spying on us in the hot tub?
- 98 'Cause I'm only 99 One of the propellers is broken.
- 100 It must have crashed.
- 101 Oh.

- 102 Do you think you could fix it?
- 103 Maybe.
- 104 Should we try and track down the owner first?
- 105 Yeah, that's probably a good idea.
- 106 Anyone lose a drone?
- 107 Looks like it's ours.
- 108 - Yay, we got a drone!
- 109 - Shh.
- 110 (whispers): Oh.
- 111 Yay, we got a drone.
- 112 (sighs)
- 113 The pastrami truck moved.
- 114 That is the danger of a restaurant on wheels.
- 115 No, apparently someone complained to the tenants association, and they're not allowed to park on our street anymore.
- 116 Who would complain about something that everyone loves?
- 117 Oh...
- 118 Did you complain to the tenants association about the food truck?
- 119 Yes.
- 120 And they actually took you seriously?
- 121 Oh, the tenants association takes every complaint seriously.
- 122 Oh, great, because I'm about to send them an e-mail complaining about vou.
- 123 (phone chimes)
- 124 Excuse me.
- 125 Wow.
- 126 Someone should have spell-checked.
- 127 What is going on here?
- 128 You're the tenants association?
- 129 (laughs): You should see the look on your face.
- 130 You might want to tell your wife that there's no "Y" in "pastrami." Okay, that ought to do it.
- 131 I've replaced the propeller and reattached the gimbal controller unit.
- 132 Dude, you're like Grey's Anatomy for robots.
- 133 Also, why isn't that a show?
- 134 I just need to see if I can re-sync the controls to this old remote.
- 135 We should name it.
- 136 The drone, or your stupid robot show?
- 137 The drone.
- 138 The show's already got a name—General Bot-spital. I got it working!
- 139 (chuckles)
- 140 KOOTHRAPPALI: Oh, oh!
- 141 Let's play William Tell.
- 142 I'll put this bowl on my head.
- 143 See if you can knock it off without hitting me.
- 144 You read my mind.

- 145 What are you doing?
- 146 Either breaking a bowl or breaking Raj's head.
- 147 Be careful, they don't make that bowl anymore.
- 148 (chuckles)
- 149 It's a nice one.
- 150 Yeah.
- 151 We found it in the yard and fixed it up.
- 152 Aren't you worried there's some kid out there missing his drone?
- 153 Oh, please, Bernadette, this is not a children's toy, okay?
- 154 This thing's got an HD camera on it.
- 155 Okay, then aren't you worried there's some rich Peeping Tom out there missing his drone?
- 156 We asked around, and no one claimed it.
- 157 Ha.
- 158 I think we've done all we can do.
- 159 Did you check the video card?
- 160 Maybe you can see where it started off from.
- 161 What a great idea, honey.
- 162 So, let me get this straight.
- 163 You are the president of the tenants association?
- 164 President, only member, and harshest critic.
- 165 I once gave myself an official reprimand for conducting a meeting in the shower.
- 166 The steam warped my gavel.
- 167 Okay, so when I got a fine for leaving my clothes in the dryer for too long, that was from you?
- 168 ..
- 169-The exact price of a new gavel.
- $170 And the noise complaint we got for singing you \ Happy Birthday"?$
- 171 As a friend, I was touched.
- 172-As a representative of the building, I thought that you should pick a key and stick with it.
- 173 Hi.
- 174 Doyouknowheistheen tire tenants association?
- 175 No, but I'mnot surprised.
- 176 He's also the pope of a plane the invented in hyperspace.
- 177 Why didn't yout ell me?
- 178-'Cause I wanted to make sure that you loved the man, not the office.
- 179-You can't just declar eyour self president.
- 180 Ididn't.
- 181-I called a meeting, I was the only one to attend.
- 182-Inominated myself, and after a pretty moving speech, I voted myself in.
- 183 Well, if you can vote your self in, -then we can vote you out.
- 184 -Yeah.
- 185-Fine.
- 186 Make a motion at the next meeting.
- 187 When is that?

- 188-It's the first Saturday of every month.
- 189-Unless there 's an emergency meeting.
- 190-Then we call an emergen cymeeting.
- 191 Your eally don't have to.
- 192 This is the first Saturday of the month.
- 193 Okay, fine.
- 194 Then we vote you out.
- 195 Uh, uh, holdon.
- 196 Holdon.
- 197 First, we have to read the minutes from last month's meeting.
- 198 Amy, would you do the honors?
- 199 Whynot?
- $200 \Saturday, Marchrd.$
- $201 \ :, meeting called to order.$
- $202 \ :$ , president gets shampooineye.
- 203-:, meeting adjourned." Okay, can we vote you out now?
- 204 Ah, verywell.
- 205 Newbusiness.
- 206-Imove for a vote of no confidence-in the president.
- 207 -Yeah.
- 208-Two to one, you lose.
- 209 Notsofast.
- 210-Ibelieve we have one tenanther ewho has not made her voice heard.
- 211 Oh...
- 212 We'rewaiting, fiancée.
- 213 Yeah, we'rewaiting, best friend.
- 214-Yeah, we're waiting, neighbor who needed a battery and totally go to ne from me, no string sattached.
- 215-Idon't want to be in the middle of this.
- 216-No matter which way I vote, I' meither abad friend, abad fianc'ee, or an ungrate ful recipient of abattery.
- 217 Next time I have a meeting in the shower, you're welcome to attend.
- 218 Sheldon.
- 219-Sheld on for president.
- 220 IpickSheldon!
- 221-Ugh, Ican't believe mybest friends ided with Sheldon.
- 222 Can't believe mybest friend is Sheldon.
- 223-Ah, I should' vetaken that gave land shove ditright down his throat.
- 224 -Ugh.
- 225 I would' vegone the other way, but it would' vegot tento his throat.
- 226 What?
- 227 Don't be mada tme.
- 228 Imean, Ican't vote against him.
- 229 Evenwhenhe's being crazy?
- 230 Well, what other times are there?!
- 231 Soyoujust lethim get a way with anything?
- 232 Well, not anything.
- 233-Buthonestly, pastramis and wich is not the hill I want to die on.

- 234-It's not about the sandwich.
- 235 It's about the principle.
- 236 Yeah, principle.
- 237 Andalittle bits and wich.
- 238 -Yeah.
- 239-Look, the reareabunch of other tenants in this building.
- 240-Allyouneed is for one of them to vote your way, and then Sheldon's out and I didn't be tray him.
- 241 Hey, youknow, that's actually a good plan.
- 242-That you came up with all by your self.
- 243-Now, if you'll excuse me, told Sheld on Iwasgoing to the market, so...
- 244-I'm taking some of your stuff.
- 245-Iwas neverhere.
- 246-Sometime syoud on 'tsee it' cause she's next to Sheldon, but she's pretty weird.
- 247 Okay.
- 248 Allhookedup.
- 249 Herewego.
- 250-Ihope there 's nothing disturbing on there.
- 251-Likeyout wo in a hot tub?
- 252 Holdon.
- 253-Now I'm getting a picture.
- 254 That's not very much to go on.
- 255 Oh, that's plenty to go on.
- 256-We can't give up.
- 257-We got to find her.
- 258 Youjust want to find her' cause she' scute.
- 259 Not just because she's cute.
- 260-Sheal soown sapretty expensive drone, which means she has money and doesn't mind wasting it.
- 261 AndI...
- 262-Ilike that in a woman.
- 263-Doyous eanything that could help us locate her?
- 264-Hmm, let me have a look.
- 265-She's goteagle eyes, always spotting continuity errors in movies.
- 266 (chuckles)
- 267 It's not annoying at all.
- 268 Oh.
- 269-There.
- 270 Right there.
- 271 Checkout the pinon her jacket.
- 272 Isn't that from the comic bookstore?
- 273 Hmm, isit?
- 274 Hey, Howard, zoomin.
- 275 -Oh.
- 276 Fine.
- 277-Zooming in.
- 278 (whooshes)
- 279 Yeah, Iknowyou'rebeingajerk, but it's actually helpful.

- 280 Hi.
- 281 Hi.
- 282 We're your neighbors from down stairs.
- 283 We'vemet.
- 284 Remember?
- 285-I invited you to my housewarming when I moved in.
- 286 Oh, yeah.
- 287 Sorry.
- 288-Youknow, it's been acrazy couplemonths.
- 289-That was two years ago.
- 290--Welcome to the building.
- 291 -Mm hmm.
- 292-So, I-I'mrunning for president of the tenants association.
- 293 I could really use your vote.
- 294-Yous aid you were gonn as top by.
- 295 Ibought a lot of food.
- 296 Anyway, meeting's tomorrow.
- 297-We really hopeyou can make it.
- 298 I'll be there.
- 299 -Oh, really?
- 300 Yeah.
- 301 You should buy a lot of food.
- 302-So, I'm running for president of the tenants association and I could really use your vote.
- 303 Uh, who's president now?
- 304 Uh, Sheldon Cooper.
- 305 Youknow, aboutyaytallandaboutyayannoying.
- 306-Soyouwant metovote against Sheld on Cooper?
- 307 Yeah.
- 308-Youjust need to show up at a meeting...
- 309 Oh, no, no.
- 310-No cando.
- 311-He's gotar estraining order against me.
- 312 Really?
- 313 Why?
- 314 Uh, Ilockedhimontheroofonce.
- 315 (whispers) : Threetimes.
- 316 So, Mrs.
- 317-Petrescu, we were hoping you would vote for Leonard instead of voting for Sheldon.
- 318 Vote Sheldon.
- 319 No, no.
- 320-Vote Leonard.
- 321-Novote Leonard.
- 322-No.
- 323-Vote Leonard.
- 324 Thankyou.
- 325 She's wearing a pin from your store.

- 326-Doyouknow who she is?
- 327 Oh, sure, yeah.
- 328-That's Cynthia.
- 329 Wha...
- 330 s so, she's acustomer?
- 331 Yeah, yeah, but I Ihaven't seen herina while.
- 332-And before you say anything, there is a lot of reasons women stop coming here.
- 333 It's not just me.
- 334 Butthistime...
- 335 Itwasme.
- 336 Yeah.
- 337 Iwastrying out a flir tynew smile.
- $338 Now, Idon't use the word \ghoulish" alot, but...$
- 339 I Ijustcan't think of another word.
- 340 Wait, doyouknowhowtofindher?
- 341 Yeah.
- 342-Ithink I have her address on my mailing list.
- 343 Oh.
- 344 Hey.
- 345-Please, let me bring the drone back to her.
- 346-Youthinkyou've got a shot?
- 347 What if she's married?
- 348 -She'snot.
- 349-It's meant to be.
- 350 Alittletip.
- 351 Uh, stickwiththesmilesyouknow.
- 352 Hi.
- 353-What are you doing?
- 354-Leonard and Pennyare trying to turn the tenants against me, so they are about to see just what kind of power the against the property of the property of
- 355 Youmust be at least this tall to use washing machine"?
- 356-I'mgonnahangituphigherthan Leonard.
- 357-And then his clothes will smell.
- 358 And nobody's voting for a man with smelly clothes.
- 359-No, not when the re's aperfectly unscented in cumber to nthe ballot.
- 360-Sheldon, I have an advanced degree in the study of the human brain, so if my fianc'e is a raving lunatic, it's kind and the study of the human brain, so if my fianc'e is a raving lunatic, it's kind and the study of the human brain, so if my fianc'e is a raving lunatic, it's kind and the study of the human brain, so if my fianc'e is a raving lunatic, it's kind and the study of the human brain, so if my fianc'e is a raving lunatic, it's kind and the study of the human brain, so if my fianc'e is a raving lunatic, it's kind and the study of the human brain, so if my fianc'e is a raving lunatic, it's kind and the study of the human brain, so if my fiance is a raving lunatic is
- 361-I fleaders just stepped as ide every time they didn't have the consent of the governed, what would we have?
- 362 Democracy.
- 363-Notonmywatch.
- 364 Okay.
- 365 Don't be weird.
- 366 Don't be weird.
- 367-Don't be weird.
- 368 (deepvoice) : Hello.
- 369 Hey.
- 370-You found my drone.
- 371 (normal voice) : Yeah, yeah.

- 372 Yes.
- 373-It took a while to track you down, but to see the look on your face, it was worth it.
- 374 Aw, that's sweet.
- 375 Rajesh.
- 376 Cynthia.
- 377 -Ah, pleasure to meet you.
- 378-Likewise.
- 379 I If eellike I should give you are ward or something.
- 380 Oh, oh, no, youdon'thave to do that.
- 381-No, I in sist.
- 382-How about your phone number?
- 383 Given eyour phone.
- 384 Thanks.
- 385 So, I'll I'll callyou, Cynthia.
- 386 Great, Rajesh.
- 387 (bothchuckle)
- 388 And thank sagain.
- 389 Uh, sure.
- 390 (phonerings)
- 391 Justchecking.
- 392 (knocking, door opens)
- 393 Hey, Sheldon.
- 394-We found something pretty interesting.
- 395 Huh.
- 396 Well, that is surprising.
- 397 I, for one, have no idea what they'r et alking about.
- 398-Turnsout, when Amytookover Penny's apartment, shew as put on the lease, not you.
- 399-PENNY: Yeah, and when I moved a cross the hall, you got taken of f the lease and I got added.
- 400 Well, what are you saying?
- 401-That Sheld on 's not technically at enant at all and therefore, has no standing to be president of the tenants as social technically at each of the property of the prop
- 402-Idon't know how you found that out, but I am guessing all on your own.
- 403-So, looks like we need to figure out who the new president should be.
- 404 Inominate myself.
- 405 Isecondit.
- 406 Huh.
- 407-Well, as a woman in love, I want to stand by myman.
- 408-Toob adth at 's been rendered bureaucratically impossible.
- 409-Well, this is hard forme because I do love a legal technical ity and this is a good one.
- 410-Although, not quite as good as the provision in Californial aw, which states a person who occupies adwelling for the contraction of the cont
- 411 -Ivote for Leonard!
- 412 -You...
- 413 What?
- 414 I'msorry, Sheldon.
- 415-With minimal power comes minimal responsibility, and you couldn't hand leit.
- 416 Don't you mis quote Spider Mantome.
- 417 It's not your fault.

- 418-Imean, what man wouldn't be seduced by the power to decide how late the laundry roomst ay sopen?
- 419-Wait, you're the reason I had to come back and get my jeans the next morning?
- 420 Ican't believe you expect meto give that up.
- 421-Sheldon, it's the American way, the peaceful transfer of power.
- 422 Idon'tknow.
- 423-Think about Ant-Man. I'm always thinking about Ant-Man. Michael Douglash ad the suit and then he passed in the property of the property
- 424 May beyou'r eright.
- 425 Really?
- 426 The Ant Manthing?
- 427 That's what wonyou over?
- 428 Yes.
- 429 Hegotthe details right.
- 430-That's how you use a superhero.
- 431 Mm.
- 432-I suppose it is time I passed this onto Leonard.
- 433 Thankyou.
- 434 Yeah, thanks.
- 435-I-Iknow that's hard for you.
- 436 Well, it was.
- 437 Butyouknowwhat?
- 438-Instead of being in charge, I cannow be the vocal opposition, criticizing and badgering the president at every turned and the president and the president at every turned and the president at every turned at the president at the pre
- 439-Ithinkyou'll be really good at that.
- 440 Me, too.
- 441-Ithink I've made a huge mistake.
- 442 Me, too.
- 443 Can't believe you go ther number.
- 444-Iknow, right?
- 445-How a mazing would it be if this worked out and the story of how I metrny wife started with you and me in the hotter of the property of
- 446-Well, dous both a favor and start the story later.
- 447 Whatever.
- 448-Ih ave a good feeling about this girl.
- 449 Like, we really hit it of f.
- 450 Stop flying it around.
- 451 You're gonnabre a kit.
- 452 Why doyou care?
- 453-Because we have to give it back to the beautiful mystery girl.
- 454 Aw
- 455-Imean, didyousee how hot shew as?
- 456-Iwant to get all upon that and start making babies!
- 457-I know exactly what under wear I'm gonnawe aro nour first date.
- 458 None!

## 3.20 Episode 20: The Reclusive Potential

1 - KOOTHRAPPALI: If Bruce Banner's driving a rental car and turns into the Hulk, do you think he's covered, or does he need to add the Hulk as an

## additional driver?

- 2 You really need a girlfriend.
- 3 (gasps)
- 4 Mailman's here!
- 5 Aw.
- 6 Remember when he used to get that excited to see us?
- 7 Do you have any mail for Dr.
- 8 Sheldon Cooper?
- 9 I do, but I can't hand it right to you— I have to put it in the box.
- 10 And that is what separates the U.S.
- 11 Postal Service from those hippies at FedEx.
- 12 Oh, goody!
- 13 What is so exciting?
- 14 It's a letter from Dr. Wolcott.
- 15 We've been corresponding about my string theory research.
- 16 Wait.
- 17 Robert Wolcott?
- 18 Like Wolcott's Theorem Wolcott?
- 19 The very same.
- 20 Didn't he go crazy and cut off all contact with people?
- 21 Yeah, he was driven mad by a friend who kept wanting to talk about the Hulk's car insurance!
- 22 Oh.
- 23 He's invited me to his cabin for the weekend, to discuss a breakthrough he's had.
- 24 - His cabin?
- 25 - Yes.
- 26 He lives off the grid, up in the mountains.
- 27 So you're gonna go to the middle of nowhere and spend the weekend with a crazy man you've never met?
- 28 Yes.
- 29 Why?
- 30 No reason.
- 31 Have fun.
- 32 Our whole universe was in a hot, dense state
- 33 Then nearly billion years ago expansion started... Wait!
- 34 The Earth began to cool
- 35 The autotrophs began to drool, Neanderthals developed tools
- 36 We built the Wall We built the pyramids
- 37 Math, Science, History, unraveling the mystery
- 38 That all started with a big bang
- 39 Bang!
- 40  ${\rm Hmm}.$
- 41 Oh.
- 42 (sniffs)
- 43 Hmm.

- 44 (chuckles): Oh, nice one.
- 45 Hey, Penny, that's what you sound like when you read.
- 46 (giggles)
- 47 - Hey!
- 48 - What?
- 49 He said it.
- 50 Sheldon, what are you doing?
- 51 I am decoding Dr.
- 52 Wolcott's letter using this book as the key.
- 53 Aren't conversations more fun when they're in code?
- 54 Yes.
- 55 But I'm using a code where "yes" means "no." Oh.
- 56 I got it!
- 57 He's given me directions to his cabin.
- 58 He seems a little paranoid.
- 59 He is not paranoid.
- 60 - What are you doing?
- 61 - Following his instructions.
- 62 Leonard, you are not letting Sheldon go alone this weekend.
- 63 I am a grown man- I don't need somebody to chaperone me.
- 64 I just need him to drop me off, pick me up, and pack me a sack lunch.
- 65 Don't look at me.
- 66 When the music stopped, you were holding Sheldon.
- 67 Amy can't take him- it's her bachelorette party this weekend.
- 68 Yes, it is—because I'm getting married!
- 69 Are you gonna be doing that all weekend?
- 70 Yes.
- 71 Do you know why?
- 72 Because you're getting married!
- 73 (whooping)
- 74 All right, Leonard, looks like you're driving me.
- 75 But maybe you could drop me at the bottom of the mountain.
- 76 I want him to think I'm cool.
- 77 That's great, everyone's got weekend plans.
- 78 Amy has her bachelorette party, and Sheldon's gonna go to the woods and get hunted for sport.
- 79 Yeah, as someone who has to track him every time he gets lost in IKEA, I feel like I'd be really good at that.
- 80 Leonard, you cannot drop him off.
- 81 You have to stay with him and keep him safe.
- 82 Howard, you have to go and keep Leonard safe.
- 83 Fine.
- 84 I get it— and you want me to go and keep Howard safe.
- 85 - Actually, I...
- 86 - Uh, just say yes, or he's gonna want to come to the bachelorette party.
- 87 Are you sure you're gonna be okay this weekend?

- 88 Of course.
- 89 No, I'm much more concerned about you.
- 90 I know how you gals behave when the men are away.
- 91 You do?
- 92 I've read The Bacchae by Euripides.
- 93 Drinking wine, riding panthers...
- 94 Proof that girls have gone wild for over , years.
- 95 Well, I wish I could say none of that is gonna happen, but Penny is planning it, and she is the reason I own those underwear with writing across the butt.
- 96 Well, just be careful, and use protection.
- 97 What do you think is gonna happen?
- 98 I don't know.
- 99 But it's going to be sunny, and you burn easily.
- 100 It'll be fine.
- 101 I'm sure there'll be some drinking and some dancing, and then a mailman'll probably show up and take his clothes off...
- 102 Nicholas is going to take his clothes off?
- 103 No, not our mailman.
- 104 A dancer pretending to be a mailman.
- 105 Impersonating a federal employee?
- 106 Oh, where's the after-party, prison?
- 107 It's sweet that you're worried about me.
- 108 Well, of course I'm worried about you- I want you to be safe.
- 109 And I want you to be safe.
- 110 I will be.
- 111 I'll have my friends with me.
- 112 If anything should go wrong, I can use them as human shields.
- 113 MAN (over speaker): For most of human history, time was believed to be an objective part of reality.
- 114 But with the contributions of Immanuel Kant, science and philosophy...
- 115 (turns down volume)
- 116 When I said you should make a playlist for the road trip, I meant music.
- 117 This is better than music—this is a lecture on nonlinear time.
- 118 Sounds like it's just on regular time.
- 119 Yes.
- 120 But I put it on shuffle.
- 121 This is nice.
- 122 The four of us haven't taken a trip like this since Leonard's bachelor party.
- 123 And now here we are for Sheldon's.
- 124 Yeah, uh, Leonard...
- 125 As Sheldon's best man, I need to inform you that this is not a bachelor party.
- 126 And tell them why.
- 127 Because you're a tiresome scold.
- 128 No.
- 129 It's because a bachelor party is typically a hedonistic blowout where no

pleasures of the flesh are denied.

- 130 I'm not interested in that.
- 131 How is that not exactly what I said?
- 132 Okay, now, I promised Sheldon things weren't gonna get too crazy tonight.
- 133 Should I be worried?
- 134 Oh, just about who you're marrying.
- 135 Just come on.
- 136 Welcome to your...
- 137 bachelorette party!
- 138 Oh...
- 139 It's a quilting bee!
- 140 My bachelorette party's a quilting bee!
- 141 (forced chuckle)
- 142 Isn't it perfect?
- 143 Yeah, instead of oiled-up strippers and s\*x toys, we thought: what does

#### Amy like?

- 144 Amy likes the quilting bee!
- 145 Well, this place is creepy.
- 146 Why?
- 147 Well, did you see his vegetable garden?
- 148 Heirloom tomatoes in April.
- 149 Creepy.
- 150 Okay, listen.
- 151 Dr.
- 152 Wolcott is a brilliant topologist.
- 153 We need to set some ground rules so that you don't embarrass me.
- 154 No magic.
- 155 No whining.
- 156 You- just no.
- 157 (whiny): Hey...
- 158 Uh, how come he gets to whine?
- 159 Dr.
- 160 Wolcott?
- 161 Dr.
- 162 Wolcott?
- 163 Dr.
- 164 Wolcott?
- 165 (locks clacking)
- 166 (locks continue clacking)
- 167 That's a lot of locks.
- 168 Mm
- 169 That was a lot of knocks- they were made for each other.
- 170 - Dr.
- 171 Wolcott.
- 172 -Dr.
- 173 Cooper.

- 174 Uh, who are these people?
- 175 Oh, these are my friends.
- 176 I wrote about them in my letter.
- 177 Oh, letter?
- 178 I didn't get a letter.
- 179 Well, that's because I just sent it this morning, you know?
- 180 So score one for linear time.
- 181 (laughs)
- 182 Well, um, I don't normally allow strangers into my house.
- 183 But when you do, you-you let them out, right?
- 184 Dr
- 185 Cooper, if you can promise me these men share your intellect and academic rigor, yeah, I suppose they can join us.
- 186 You guys might need to wait in the car.
- 187 Well, let me show you around.
- 188 This is the chair where I do most of my thinking, my thinking about work.
- 189 Now, my thinking about people who have wronged me, I do over there.
- 190 I've always said that I should get a grudge chair.
- 191 Leonard, have I not always said that?
- 192 Mm, you have—but you were worried you'd spend too much time in it.
- 193 Yeah.
- 194 That was a real concern.
- 195 Oh, my God, this tomato is amazing!
- 196 I can eat it like an apple.
- 197 My secret is I fertilize it with my own manure.
- 198 The look on your face.
- 199 (chuckles)
- 200 It's a sort of grin.
- 201 You want to know what kind?
- 202 So, Dr.
- 203 Wolcott, in your letter, you said you had a new mathematical approach that would help me conceptualize the dimensions in string theory?
- 204 Uh, yes, yes, yes, yes.
- 205 But before we get started, I am going to need to collect everybody's phone.
- 206 Yeah.
- 207 - Oh.
- 208 - Why?
- 209 Because they're little listening devices, aren't they?
- 210 Yes, for people to spy on you and steal your work.
- 211 Yeah, what happened to the good old days where if someone wanted to steal your work, they had to hire a prostitute to seduce you?
- 212 Who told you about that?
- 213 Just making a joke.
- 214 Yeah, it's not funny when it happens.
- 215 All right, now, you're probably going to want to start with this notebook here.

- 216 - Oh.
- 217 Oh, my.
- 218 - Here we are.
- 219 (laughs): Oh...
- 220 Um...
- 221 no offense, Dr. Wolcott, but I'm not sure this makes any sense.
- 222 That's because I've written it all backwards.
- 223 You...
- 224 Wow.
- 225 That's "wow" backwards.
- 226 Hmm.
- 227 You know...
- 228 I still don't get it.
- 229 Well, plus the numbers are letters and the letters are numbers.
- 230 Oh.
- 231 I love him.
- 232 (whirring)
- 233 (chuckles)
- 234 Are you having fun?
- 235 Yeah.
- 236 I just, uh, finished sewing this top to bottom.
- 237 Now I'm gonna sew it side to side.
- 238 Pace yourself.
- 239 (both chuckle)
- 240 Some more tea?
- 241 Oh, lovely.
- 242 Oh.
- 243 (both giggle)
- 244 Seriously?
- 245 What the hell?
- 246 - Huh?
- 247 - What?
- 248 This is my bachelorette party, tea and guilts?
- 249 Well, you said you didn't want anything crazy.
- 250 - Yes, but I said it like, "I don't want anything crazy." Which clearly means I wanted something crazy.
- 251 I mean, is this how boring you think I am?
- 252 Penny, she asked you a question.
- 253 Of course not.
- 254 So you thought that I would like quilting?
- 255 - Well, don't you?
- 256 - Of course I like quilting!
- 257 It's the slowest way to make a blanket!
- 258 But this is my bachelorette party!
- 259 It's supposed to be fun and wild and full of bad decisions.
- 260 - Hey, we can make bad decisions.

- 261 - Yeah.
- 262 She had two kids back-to-back and I thought you'd like this, so we're off to a good start.
- 263 Come on, let's go somewhere we can do body shots off shirtless bartenders.
- 264 Yes.
- 265 I don't know.
- 266 That might be too much.
- 267 All right, you know what, why don't we stay home, have a little wine...
- 268 What are you not getting about this?!
- 269 Dr. Wolcott, your work on time is revolutionary.
- 270 I would say thank you, but, in my theory of time, you've already called my work revolutionary, I've already thanked you, and I hate repeating myself, so let's move on.
- 271 Wait a minute, are-are you saying that time has multiple dimensions, the same as space?
- 272 No.
- 273 No, I'm not saying it—the math is saying it.
- 274 Though it is the math that I invented, so, yes, I guess I am saying it.
- 275 You understanding any of this?
- 276 I haven't understood anything since poop tomato.
- 277 My goodness, this is incredible.
- 278 - See, I-I'm just not seeing where string theory fits into all this, and that's where I think that you and I could be of help to each other.
- 279 Thank you.
- 280 I'd be honored.
- 281 All right.
- 282 Allow me to show you my most recent journal.
- 283 Sheldon's right.
- 284 This guy, this guy's brilliant.
- 285 Yeah, I mean, he's a little...
- 286 kooky, but a mind that can reconceptualize time probably has a reason for keeping a jar of toenail clippings that we just don't understand.
- 287 I could spend months up here just going through his math.
- 288 I think Sheldon might.
- 289 Great.
- 290 Who's gonna tell Amy we lost her fiancé to a madman in the mountains?
- 291 Hey, I drove.
- 292 This is so exciting.
- 293 Can we do a body shot?
- 294 I've always wanted to do a body shot.
- 295 Also, what's a body shot?
- 296 It's when you take a drink out of a stranger's belly button.
- 297 Ew.
- 298 No, thanks.
- 299 What if they have an outie?
- 300 Does it just spill everywhere?

- 301 Okay, look, we've got all night.
- 302 Let's just take it easy.
- 303 We can...
- 304 I'm getting married!
- 305 (cheering)
- 306 Here you go.
- 307 First round is on the house.
- 308 - Ooh.
- 309 Hey there.
- 310 Do you do body shots?
- 311 Oh, she said she didn't want one.
- 312 Mind your business.
- 313 Cheers!
- 314 (whoops)
- 315 Amy?
- 316 Amy?
- 317 Should we get her home?
- 318 Why?
- 319 She's sound asleep, and we have sliders coming.
- 320 One more round!
- 321 So, how would this work in the context of a singularity?
- 322 Yes, that's-that's a tricky bit to explain.
- 323 I assume you're familiar with non-abelian group theory.
- 324 Oh, and how.
- 325 You never forget your first group theory.
- 326 Listen, I'm gonna put on a pot of coffee, because there is a lot of math to go through.
- 327 And he said he didn't want a wild bachelor party.
- 328 Excuse me?
- 329 Oh, uh, Sheldon's getting married in a month.
- 330 Oh!
- 331 Congratulations.
- 332 Yeah, I'm a married man myself.
- 333 Oh, really?
- 334 Is she here?
- 335 And alive?
- 336 A-And can people other than you see her?
- 337 She lives in Munich.
- 338 It's a perfect marriage.
- 339 We focus on our work and send each other cards every year on our birth-days.
- 340 Hey, wait, what-what month is it?
- 341 Uh, April.
- 342 Most years.
- 343 The point is we give each other space.
- 344 I give her Europe, she gives me South America.

- 345 That's where she thinks I'm living.
- 346 (laughs)
- 347 I-I've never considered a long-distance marriage.
- 348 Well, listen, if you want to be a great scientist, you can't afford to be distracted.
- 349 Hey, where are my manners?
- 350 You fellas must be hungry.
- 351 Do you like rabbit?
- 352 - Yeah.
- 353 - Sure.
- 354 - Sounds good.
- 355 Okay.
- 356 But can you tell the difference between rabbit and squirrel?
- 357 - No.
- 358 - Don't think so.
- 359 - Probably not.
- 360 Great!
- 361 We're having rabbit.
- 362 Be right back!
- 363 (door shuts)
- 364 It is amazing how much he's accomplished by isolating himself from the distractions of day-to-day life.
- 365 Okay, please don't tell me you want to live like this.
- 366 See, that's the strange thing.
- 367 I don't.
- 368 What is wrong with me?
- 369 Why don't I want this?
- 370 Look at how cool it all is.
- 371 Nothing is wrong with you.
- 372 You have friends, you have a fiancée, you have a full life.
- 373 You know what, you're right.
- 374 Thank you for bringing me up here.
- 375 But I think I'm ready to go home now.
- 376 Really?
- 377 You don't want to stay for dinner and talk more science?
- 378 No.
- 379 No, we better go.
- 380 I miss Amy.
- 381 And my phone.
- 382 (gunshot in distance)
- 383 Also, I'm from Texas, and I can taste the difference between rabbit and squirrel.
- 384 (dramatic music playing on TV)
- 385 (gasping)
- 386 Oh, look who's back!
- 387 There she is!

- 388 What happened?
- 389 How did we get here?
- 390 You don't remember anything?
- 391 I remember taking some shots, and then...
- 392 that's it.
- 393 Oh, my gosh, did I pass out?
- 394 You kind of did.
- 395 At my own bachelorette party?
- 396 I'm so lame.
- 397 Well, you didn't pass out before you did all kinds of fun stuff.
- 398 What did I do?
- 399 What did you do? What'd she do?
- 400 Um...
- 401 well, you don't remember Riverdancing on top of the bar?
- 402 I did that?
- 403 Yeah, you did!
- 404 Mm-hmm.
- 405 But I don't know how to Riverdance.
- 406 Didn't stop you from teaching all those shirtless firemen.
- 407 I saw shirtless firemen?
- 408 Saw, smelled, slid down like a pole.
- 409 Did I flash anybody?
- 410 How about everybody? I can't believe it.
- 411 I'm so embarrassed.
- 412 You didn't take any pictures, did you?
- 413 Oh, no, we would never do that to you.
- 414 Yeah.
- 415 But if there were pictures, they would be crazy. You guys are good friends.
- 416 PENNY: Mm.
- 417 (traditional Irish music playing)
- 418 Dinner!
- 419 Guys?
- 420 I can't believe they left without saying good-bye.
- 421 Wait a minute, what if they stole my work?
- 422 Wait a minute!
- 423 What if they were never here at all?
- 424 Wait a minute!
- 425 What if they haven't gotten here yet but they're on their way?!
- 426 I better tidy up.
- 427 Hello.
- 428 Welcome back.
- 429 How'd it go?
- 430 Well, Dr.
- 431 Wolcott's theories of time might save my new interpretation of string theory.
- 432 Oh, well, that's exciting.

- 433 It is.
- 434 How was your bachelorette party?
- 435 Well, I was in a bar, and I saw some shirtless men.
- 436 They were firemen, and they fought over me.
- 437 But Penny and Bernadette got me out of there before the victor got my spoils.
- 438 I see.
- 439 What's the matter?
- 440 You look glum.
- 441 Amy, would you still love me if I wasn't who you thought I was?
- 442 What are you talking about?
- 443 Well, what if it turns out I'm not the single-minded, science-obsessed recluse who puts his work above everything and everybody else that you fell in love with?
- 444 What if I'm not the straight laced, buttoned-up, quilting queen you thought I was?
- 445 What if I'm a...
- 446 Riverdancing wild woman?
- 447 I'd still love you.
- 448 I'd still love you, too.
- 449 Do you really know how to Riverdance?
- 450 You tell me.
- 451 I'm the only man you do that for.

#### 3.21 Episode 21: The Comet Polarization

- 1 WOLOWITZ: What are you doing?
- 2 Pigeon check for Sheldon.
- 3 North side's all clear!
- 4 Great.
- 5 Let's look at some planets!
- 6 Hey, why'd you lug your telescope all the way over here?
- 7 Leonard has one in our apartment.
- 8 Yeah, I'm gonna use Leonard's.
- 9 Might as well hold my hand up like this and squint.
- 10 I don't know.
- 11 It seemed pretty good.
- 12 You know, once when the cable went out, I watched an entire episode of
- The Bachelor on a TV across the street.
- 13 This one's more of a professional model.
- 14 So was the girl he picked!
- 15 This baby's got a ten-inch diameter with f/ ACF optics.
- 16 WOLOWITZ: And tonight Mercury is at its highest elongation.
- 17 It makes far-away things seem close, and Mercury is a planet.
- 18 I know Mercury is a planet.
- 19 But the-the other thing was helpful.

- 20 Oh.
- 21 Look at that.
- 22 - Neil Gaiman tweeted about my store!
- 23 - What did he say?
- 24 Uh, "Next time you're in Pasadena, "check out The Comic Center.
- 25 "Great vibe, old school, the owner really knows his stuff." Isn't that amazing?
- 26 Well, uh, it's no Sandman, but I guess we can't expect everything he writes to be a masterpiece.
- 27 When was he in your store?
- 28 I have no idea.
- 29 I think I would remember that.
- 30 Obviously, vibranium is the most powerful metal in comics.
- 31 What, more powerful than adamantium?
- 32 He's right.
- 33 Wolverine's claws, Ultron's outer shell.
- 34 Need I go on?
- 35 You don't need to, but you probably will.
- 36 What about Wonder Woman's bracelets?
- 37 Good point.
- 38 Strong as a metal and fierce as a fashion choice.
- 39 GAIMAN: You know, Thor's hammer's pretty powerful, and in the comics, it's made out of enchanted uru.
- 40 Uh, yeah, I think it's the enchantment that's powerful, not the uru, but, uh, thanks for playing.
- 41 Oh, man, I can't believe Neil Gaiman came in, and we weren't even there.
- 42 Our whole universe was in a hot, dense state
- 43 Then nearly billion years ago expansion started... Wait!
- 44 The Earth began to cool
- 45 The autotrophs began to drool, Neanderthals developed tools
- 46 We built the Wall We built the pyramids
- 47 Math, Science, History, unraveling the mystery
- 48 That all started with a big bang
- 49 Bang!
- 50 Can you see Mercury?
- 51 Can you see it?
- 52 One second.
- 53 You know, the Greek version of Mercury, Hermes, was worshipped in Athens by the carving of giant wooden phalluses.
- 54 Please, Amy, get your mind out of the ancient Athenian gutter.
- 55 Got another follower.
- 56 I'm blowing up.
- 57 Great.
- 58 How many does that make?
- 59 High double digits.
- 60 The nineties?

- 61 Mid double digits.
- 62 KOOTHRAPPALI: Hey, uh, Penny, do you want to check this out?
- 63 Yeah, sure.
- 64 All right, just, uh, look through here, and if you want to take a picture, just push that button.
- 65 Okay.
- 66 Oh, what is that?
- 67 (gasps)
- 68 Is it Mercury?
- 69 I'm really jonesing for Mercury.
- 70 I think it's a little early for Mercury to be visible yet.
- 71 Playing hard to get.
- 72 I like that in a planet.
- 73 No, there's something fuzzy.
- 74 Is it your teen years?
- 75 No.
- 76 Yes.
- 77 Shut up.
- 78 Look.
- 79 Look at that.
- 80 I think I see something.
- 81 It could just be your eyelash.
- 82 It's not an eyelash!
- 83 Okay, well, uh, take a picture.
- 84 Let's see.
- 85 Okay.
- 86 Here.
- 87 Hmm.
- 88 I do see something.
- 89 (gasps)
- 90 Told you.
- 91 What is it?
- 92 I don't know.
- 93 Maybe it's a comet.
- 94 That would be so cool.
- 95 STUART: You guys want to see a real star, look over here.
- 96 What?
- 97 I just got retweeted...
- 98 by Patton Oswalt's brother.
- 99 (crowd chatter)
- 100 So, this is really where Neil Gaiman shops?
- 101 Neil Gaiman, Nicolas Cage, Natalie Portman.
- 102 The list goes on.
- 103 They all come here?
- 104 Unless I'm lying.
- 105 Who are all these people?

- 106 What?
- 107 Is this a flash mob?
- 108 Are they dancing?
- 109 I don't know what today's dancing looks like.
- 110 Hey, guys.
- 111 That tweet actually got people to come in.
- 112 Isn't that great?
- 113 No.
- 114 I liked the way the store was before.
- 115 You mean empty and sad?
- 116 Yes, it was perfect.
- 117 Like a funeral home that sells Pokémon cards.
- 118 What am I supposed to do now if I want to hang out and read a comic book?
- 119 Go sit on the couch.
- 120 Next to a stranger?
- 121 If I'm going to sit, read, and ignore a woman, it's going to be my fiancée.
- 122 Why are you being such a baby about the crowds?
- 123 You go to Comic-Con.
- 124 You- I'm sorry.
- 125 You're comparing this place to Comic-Con?
- 126 Well, can I go to the bathroom here next to a Wookiee who got his zipper stuck in his fur?
- 127 Wow.
- 128 We go to Comic-Con for different reasons.
- 129 You know what?
- 130 Just give me a copy of Action Comics, and I'll be on my way.
- 131 Sorry.
- 132 All out.
- 133 Now you just let people come in and buy them?
- 134 I didn't realize your soul was also for sale.
- 135 STUART: Well, it wasn't, but, uh, make me an offer.
- 136 (phone chimes)
- 137 Who is that?
- 138 Sheldon.
- 139 Who is he mad at?
- 140 Neil Gaiman.
- 141 Who's that?
- 142 Not us.
- 143 Great.
- 144 (knocking)
- 145 Guys.
- 146 Hi.
- 147 Hey.
- 148 So, guess what.
- 149 That indeed was a comet last night, and it turns out, no one's seen it

#### before.

- 150 (laughing): Wow.
- 151 Really?
- 152 Look at that!
- 153 I discovered a comet!
- 154 Oh!
- 155 What do you mean you discovered it?
- 156 Well, I'm the one who saw it.
- 157 In my telescope that I positioned.
- 158 All you did was look into it.
- 159 Well, you both discovered it.
- 160 You can put both your names on the registration form.
- 161 Actually, we can't.
- 162 Why not?
- 163 Because when I filled it out, it asked for name of discoverer, and I put
- "Rajesh Koothrappali" because...
- 164 because that's who I am, and that's what I did.
- 165 Are you kidding me?
- 166 Well, he is the one who knew it was a comet.
- 167 No, he didn't.
- 168 He thought it was an eyelash!
- 169 And you thought it was a fuzzy streak.
- 170 I mean, do you even know what a comet is?
- 171 Yeah, the thing I saw first.
- 172 I honestly don't think that that qualifies as a discovery.
- 173 But I took the picture.
- 174 Because I told you to!
- 175 Like, if a monkey took the picture, did it discover the comet?
- 176 Excuse me?!
- 177 (stammering): Uh, he didn't mean monkey.
- 178 - Get the hell out of my apartment!
- 179 - And she didn't mean that.
- 180 Actually, I think she did.
- 181 You should go.
- 182 You look great.
- 183 Oh, thanks.
- 184 Would you believe this is actually a dress from before I was pregnant?
- 185 Well, it's not a competition, but I wore this suit to my Bar Mitzvah.
- 186 Where's Stuart?
- 187 I told him we had a : reservation.
- 188 Well, I'll call him.
- 189 (ringtone plays)
- 190 Comic Center, where the real superhero is you.
- 191 Stuart, you're supposed to be babysitting.
- 192 Oh!
- 193 Shoot.

- 194 That was tonight.
- 195 I forgot.
- 196 The store's been really busy.
- 197 Well, when can you get here?
- 198 Um, I don't think I can.
- 199 Listen to this.
- 200 I-I was ringing up a customer, and I heard someone say, "Hey, there's a
- line," and I looked, and there was.
- 201 Come on.
- 202 You can't do this to us.
- 203 I am really sorry.
- 204 I will make it up to you.
- 205 But it won't be with a Val Kilmer Batman figurine (laughing): because some sucker's buying that right now.
- 206 (laughs)
- 207 Not you.
- 208 This is great.
- 209 He says he has to work.
- 210 Oh, it's okay.
- 211 We can have date night another night.
- 212 But you got all dressed up.
- 213 We were supposed to have dinner and romance.
- 214 We'll just have to divide and conquer.
- 215 I'll go to dinner, and you can stay home with the Internet and have romance.
- 216 Okay, look, I Googled it.
- 217 I took the picture, so it's my discovery.
- 218 (scoffs)
- 219 He stole my comet.
- 220 I know, but on the other hand, do you really care?
- 221 Yes, I care.
- 222 This happens to me all the time.
- 223 People take one look at me and assume I don't know what I'm talking about.
- 224 Oh, I'm sure that's not true.
- 225 I'm sorry.
- 226 Are you saying I don't know what I'm talking about?
- 227 No, I'm not saying anything...
- 228 ever again.
- 229 Look, I'm serious.
- 230 The other day at work, I had this great idea, but no one was listening to me.
- 231 And then five minutes later, Paul said the same thing, and they practically carried him around the room.
- 232 Oh, well, what was it?
- 233 Well, CPK for lunch, but that's just one example.

- 234 It also happens with all the doctors I have to deal with.
- 235 You know, they're so condescending.
- 236 I'm so sick of letting this stuff slide.
- 237 I found that comet.
- 238 Why should I let Raj say he found it?
- 239 I know you're right, but he is our friend, and this could be good for his career.
- 240 Okay, so you agree with me, but he still gets his way?
- 241 Ah, there you go.
- 242 Everybody wins.
- 243 My God, you're such a people-pleaser.
- 244 You can't stand making anyone angry.
- 245 Why would I want to make anyone angry?
- 246 'Cause it would mean you were on my side.
- 247 Oh, I am on your side.
- 248 Hey, hey.
- 249 Let's not forget who you're really mad at here—Raj.
- 250 Oh, and Paul.
- 251 Paul sucks, right?
- 252 But don't tell him I said that.
- 253 Hey, Howard, did you see that...?
- 254 (shrieks)
- 255 I'm over here, Sheldon.
- 256 That was a close one.
- 257 I almost went home with that guy.
- 258 You doing okay?
- 259 Do we need to go?
- 260 No, I'm fine.
- 261 I admit all these people did take me by surprise at first, but I've learned
- that I can accept change.
- 262 S-Since when?
- 263 I managed it when Amy switched her shampoo from Prell to Prell for oily hair.
- 264 Hmm?
- 265 Although I do miss the way her head used to slide off the pillow.
- 266 May I help you?
- 267 Who are you?
- 268 Oh, I'm Denise, the new assistant manager.
- 269 Nope.
- 270 Can you believe it?
- 271 In the past decade, I have spent thousands of dollars in that store, and this is the thanks I get.
- 272 You're right.
- 273 I mean, he could at least get you a mug.
- 274 He gave me a mug.
- 275 What do you think I'm drinking out of?

- 276 Do you even pay attention?
- 277 Honestly, less and less.
- 278 Amy, the comic book store is like my version of the country in Black Panther. Okay, I'm afraid this is gonna get really offensive to certain groups.
- 279 The nation of Wakanda was a hidden gem, and they wanted to keep it that way, because they knew if they opened it up to the world, everything that was special about it would get ruined.
- 280 Are you done?
- 281 Yes.
- 282 (relieved sigh): Oh, okay.
- 283 That both made sense and wasn't offensive.
- 284 And to make things worse, Stuart hired some woman.
- 285 There we go.
- 286 No...
- 287 I'm not annoyed that she's a woman.
- 288 I'm annoyed, and she's a woman.
- 289 No, I get that.
- 290 I'm annoyed and I'm a woman.
- 291 It's just, Stuart knows my likes and dislikes.
- 292 And I can count on his discretion if I pick up the occasional back issue of Superman's Pal Jimmy Olsen. Which I don't.
- 293 Well, don't think of her as a stranger.
- 294 Just think of her as a...
- 295 a friend you haven't berated, lectured or condescended to yet.
- 296 I hadn't thought of it that way.
- 297 Thank you.
- 298 You're welcome.
- 299 You're wise, and you smell like books.
- 300 You really are the whole package.
- 301 Raj, just help me out.
- 302 Penny's pretty mad about this comet thing.
- 303 Well, I'm sorry she's upset.
- 304 But she didn't discover it.
- 305 Oh, come on, you know she was a part of it.
- 306 Just add her name to the registration.
- 307 But I already told everyone at work that I did it.
- 308 My boss was so excited, he started calling me Captain Comet.
- 309 Which is better than his last nickname for me: Dr.
- 310 Doughnuts.
- 311 Because one time I had two doughnuts.
- 312 And two times I had three doughnuts.
- 313 I guess you're just gonna have to swallow your pride.
- 314 I, I, I can't do that.
- 315 Sure you can-just pretend it's two or three doughnuts.
- 316 You don't understand.
- 317 Leonard, I need this.

- 318 My last big discovery was: if you press your upper lip hard enough, you can block a sneeze.
- 319 I told you that.
- 320 (groans)
- 321 This is all my fault.
- 322 I brought this upon myself.
- 323 (smacks lips)
- 324 I'm a bad scientist.
- 325 I'm a selfish person.
- 326 No, no, don't get upset.
- 327 You're not a bad person.
- 328 Just let me...
- 329 talk to Penny.
- 330 I'm-I'm sure I can make her understand.
- 331 Thank you.
- 332 You're a good friend, Leonard.
- 333 I'm glad you think so, 'cause I may be living here soon.
- 334 Just look at her over there.
- 335 She just started, and she gets to put up "Staff Picks." I've been coming here for ten years— I still can't put up "Sheldon Dislikes." I talked to her yesterday.
- 336 She really seems to know her stuff.
- 337 Challenge accepted.
- 338 That is not what that was.
- 339 Excuse me.
- 340 I was wondering if you could recommend something.
- 341 Oh, sure.
- 342 You want to tell me what you like?
- 343 I would not.
- 344 All right, well, you're wearing a Green Lantern shirt, so I'm guessing you're a DC fan.
- 345 Although that's from the Alan Scott era, so you're probably not super into the current run.
- 346 How would you feel about an alternate history where World War I was fought with dragons and magic?
- 347 That's what I wanted the theme of my tenth birthday party to be!
- 348 Here.
- 349 Check this out.
- 350 It's by Kurt Busiek.
- 351 GAIMAN: You know, if you're interested in alternate histories, Neil Gaiman wrote one called . I'm sorry, we're in the middle of something here.
- 352 It is pretty good, actually.
- 353 He takes the Marvel superheroes and he puts them into Elizabethan England.
- 354 Let me guess- everyone thinks the X-Men are witches.
- 355 Yeah.

- 356 Why don't you take this home, and if you don't like it, return it and I'll give you your money back.
- 357 Just don't tell Stuart.
- 358 Stuart who?
- 359 Hey.
- 360 Where have you been?
- 361 I went to yell at Raj.
- 362 And?
- 363 Is he gonna give me back my comet?
- 364 Interesting thing.
- 365 Did you cave?
- 366 Maybe I did, or...
- 367 maybe I did.
- 368 But I did realize something.
- 369 I-I don't need to fight your battles.
- 370 You...
- 371 you are a strong and independent woman.
- 372 You have your own voice.
- 373 And, to quote another strong woman, Katy Perry, it's time to hear you roar
- 374 Did you just think of that on your way home?
- 375 What do you want from me?
- 376 The song was on in the car.
- 377 But it doesn't mean that it's not true.
- 378 Well, you make a good point.
- 379 I'm gonna go talk to Raj myself.
- 380 I know I don't say it enough, but you go, girl.
- 381 That was enough.
- 382 What's all this?
- 383 Well, we missed our date night, and Stuart's working again, so I thought we could have a date night here at home.
- 384 (clicks tongue)
- 385 Aw, that's so sweet.
- 386 Oh.
- 387 So...
- 388 is that really what you're wearing to our date night?
- 389 Well, Stuart's not here and the kids are sleeping.
- 390 I could wear nothing.
- 391 You might want to hold off on that—we're starting with soup.
- 392 (laughs)
- 393 Hey!
- 394 Wha...?
- 395 I thought you were working late again.
- 396 I was, but Denise has got it covered.
- 397 Oh.
- 398 Oh...

- 399 the funniest thing happened today.
- 400 You know the, uh, receipt tape in the cash register?
- 401 It ran out.
- 402 (chuckles)
- 403 I didn't even know it could do that.
- 404 You know, we were just sitting down to dinner.
- 405 Oh.
- 406 Perfect timing.
- 407 I'll go wash up.
- 408 There goes date night.
- 409 Are you kidding?
- 410 Stuart's here!
- 411 Get your purse.
- 412 We're going out.
- 413 What about the dinner you made?
- 414 Right.
- 415 Hey, Stuart!
- 416 That can of soup sitting by the stove, that's for you!
- 417 You made canned soup for date night?
- 418 And you wore sweatpants.
- 419 Let's go.
- 420 Oh, and it turns out Denise is also really excited for Dan Slott's run on Iron Man, because he was her favorite Spider-Man writer, too.
- 421 How about that?
- 422 Oh!
- 423 And guess who goes to art school right here in Pasadena.
- 424 Hmm.
- 425 I don't know.
- 426 Denise?
- 427 You're a good guesser, Amy.
- 428 Not as good as Denise, though.
- 429 She thought I would like this comic, Arrowsmith, and she was right.
- 430 Well, was the store crowded?
- 431 I bet it was.
- 432 I know you hate that.
- 433 It was.
- 434 But if it weren't for the crowds, Stuart never would have hired Denise, and she's the best.
- 435 You must be Denise.
- 436 Oh, yeah.
- 437 How can I help you?
- 438 I'm Amy, Sheldon's fiancée.
- 439 Oh.
- 440 I got to be honest, I wasn't a hundred percent sure you were real.
- 441 Oh. I am.
- 442 And I heard you and Sheldon had a great time today talking about comic

#### books.

- 443 We did.
- 444 Great.
- 445 Here's what's gonna happen.
- 446 You're gonna teach me how to do that.
- 447 Do what?
- 448 Pretend to like comic books.
- 449 Oh, no, I actually like comic books.
- 450 All right, let's not get hung up on semantics.
- 451 It's late, we got a lot of work to do.
- 452 (loud footsteps approaching)
- 453 (knocking)
- 454 I'm sorry.
- 455 I haven't even said anything yet.
- 456 I know, but I heard your footsteps coming up the stairs, and they sounded angry.
- 457 They are angry.
- 458 I'm mad at you.
- 459 And you have every right to be, okay?
- 460 I was being...
- 461 I was being a jerk.
- 462 We did this together, and I hogged all of the credit.
- 463 And after you've been such a good friend to me over the years.
- 464 Like, I wouldn't even be able to talk to women if it wasn't for you, so...
- 465 so I'm...
- 466 I'm gonna make sure that your name is on the comet.
- 467 Thank you.
- 468 Even if it's professionally embarrassing.
- 469 You know, or maybe put me on thin ice at work.
- 470 I may lose my funding.
- 471 I still, uh...
- 472 still want to make this right.
- 473 Good.
- 474 Bye.
- 475 That worked way better with Leonard.
- 476 (door opens)
- 477 - Hello.
- 478 - Hi.
- 479 Why are you reading a comic book?
- 480 Denise recommended it to me.
- 481 It's the Rebirth Omnibus. She thought it would be a good entry point for me into the DC Universe—and I have to say, I really do like...
- 482 - You know, Amy, Amy, I've talked a lot about comic books lately, can we talk about something else?

## 3.22 Episode 22: The Monetary Insufficiency

- 1 What-what are you doing?
- 2 The light is red so I came to a stop.
- 3 You're in a stolen cop car with a dead hooker in the trunk.
- 4 You don't have to obey traffic laws.
- 5 I know I don't have to.
- 6 The fun is choosing to.
- 7 Hev.
- 8 Missed you guys at the faculty mixer.
- 9 Ah, you should have been there; dessert was bananas.
- 10 Sorry, that was misleading.
- 11 The dessert was pie, but the pie was bananas.
- 12 Actually, the pie was cherry, but the taste of the pie was...
- 13 bananas.
- 14 Those mixers are such a waste of university money.
- 15 If they spent less money on frivolous nonsense and more money on science, we'd all be better off.
- 16 You're a theoretical physicist.
- 17 What more do you need than an office and a whiteboard?
- 18 Someday, my new formulas on entropy decrease due to quantum decoherence will need to be tested and that will require funding.
- 19 Your theories are pretty abstract.
- 20 I wouldn't even know how to design an experiment to prove them.
- 21 Says the experimental physicist.
- 22 Well, I know a place the university can make some cuts.
- 23 Bye, Leonard.
- 24 KOOTHRAPPALI: One second, one second.
- 25 He's got a point.
- 26 In order to corroborate your string theory research, you'd have to create a black hole.
- 27 Wouldn't that destroy the Earth?
- 28 Perhaps, but we'd all go to the grave knowing I was right.
- 29 I guess you could create a contained microscopic black hole.
- 30 Huh.
- 31 Interesting.
- 32 Welcome back, Leonard.
- 33 Sorry, you're out.
- 34 What did I do?
- 35 Exactly.
- 36 Our whole universe was in a hot, dense state
- 37 Then nearly billion years ago expansion started... Wait!
- 38 The Earth began to cool
- 39 The autotrophs began to drool, Neanderthals developed tools
- 40 We built the Wall We built the pyramids
- 41 Math, Science, History, unraveling the mystery

- 42 That all started with a big bang
- 43 Bang!
- 44 Ooh, this one's pretty.
- 45 Mm.
- 46 My mother wouldn't approve; shows too much clavicle.
- 47 She calls it "the bosom's welcome mat." I can't wait to get drunk and pick a fight with her at your wedding.
- 48 It's just so hard to tell what will look good on me.
- 49 No.
- 50 This is just to give you ideas.
- 51 You know, do-do you want something simple and elegant?
- 52 I mean, do you want a train?
- 53 Ooh, we're talking about trains.
- 54 Not the kind of trains you like.
- 55 Oh, I like all kinds of trains- steam, diesel, coal, elevated, bullet.
- 56 I defy you to name a train that I don't like.
- 57 The kind on the back of a wedding dress?
- 58 I did not see that coming.
- 59 Good job.
- 60 But while we're on the subject of fashion, I'm asking the university for some funding tomorrow.
- 61 What should I wear?
- 62 Mm.
- 63 Well, I've got a push-up bra I can loan you that always gets me free drinks.
- 64 How much money are you asking for?
- 65 million.
- 66 Then I'dgonobra.
- 67 What doyoun eed that kind of money for?
- 68-I have figured out an experimental design that may corroborate my latest thinking on string theory.
- 69-I just need, high-power lasers to compress micrograms of gold into a small enough volume to make a microscopy of the compression of the compr
- 70 Justnod.
- 71 Mmm.
- 72 Sheldon, they're not gonnagive you half abillion dollars.
- 73-Imean, they won't even give methat much and I keep promising I can make people's brains" growy ounger." Can garantee and the promising I can make people's brains growy ounger. The promising I can make people's brains growy ounger. The promising I can make people's brains growy ounger. The promising I can make people's brains growy ounger. The promising I can make people's brains growy ounger. The promising I can make people's brains growy ounger. The promising I can make people's brains growy ounger. The promising I can make people's brains growy ounger. The promising I can make people's brains growy ounger. The promising I can make people's brains growy ounger. The promising I can make people grows growy ounger. The promising I can make people grows growy ounger. The promising I can make people grows growy ounger. The promising I can make people grows grows
- 74 (whispers) : No.
- 75 Shh.
- 76 But In eedit.
- 77-It's the only way to settle the contradictions between gravity and quantum mechanics.
- 78-Well, it's too much money, you can't ask for that all at once.
- 79 Well, what if Iask for it in six easy in stall ments of , , . ?
- 80 Okay.
- 81 What if you asked for million?
- 82-I'msorry, I'mtryingtodoscience, nothire Lady Gagatocometomy birthday.
- 83 DoyouevenknowwhoLadyGagais?
- 84-Presumably, the wife of Lord Gaga.
- 85 Sheldon, youknow, Penny's got a point.

- 86-Sometimes when you want something big from some one, you-you got to be careful not to scare the maway, you know that the property of the
- 87-Yougot to start small and-and build up slowly, even if it takes eight years.
- 88 Eightlong years.
- 89 That's oddly specific.
- 90 Have you ever done that?
- 91 Nope.
- 92-So with this level of high-power laser array, we would actually be able to solve the black hole in formation paradometers and the solvent half of the power laser array. We would actually be able to solve the black hole in formation paradometers are the solvent half of the power laser array. We would actually be able to solve the black hole in formation paradometers are the power laser are the power
- 93 That's impressive, and how much funding we reyoulooking for?
- 94 million.
- 95 Really?
- 96 You think you can build that for million?
- 97 Notachance.
- 98 I'msorry, then why are you asking me for it?
- 99 Because once you've spent million, you're much more likely to give me an additional .
- 100 So actually, what you're saying is with million, you can build this.
- 101-I can see why you'd think that, but no.
- 102-Youcan't got othe board of trustees and sayyou gave Sheld on Cooper million and have nothing to show for it.
- 103 No.
- 104 The only way you'd be able to save face is to double down.
- 105 So?
- 106 And then double again.
- 107 ?
- 108 And then- good news- not quite double again.
- 109 So, uh, what do you say?
- 110 We have a deal?
- 111 He said no?
- 112 No.
- 113 That's only a two letter word.
- 114 You're gonna have to double down.
- 115 Well, I'm sorry, Sheldon, but this sort of thing happens.
- 116 Higgs had to wait almost years before they built a collider big enough to prove his theory.
- 117 years?
- 118 But I want to play with it now.
- 119 KOOTHRAPPALI: You just have to wait for science to catch up or technology to get cheaper.
- 120 Think about, uh, DVD players—they used to cost, like, a thousand dollars, but just the other day I used one to smash a bug.
- 121 Yeah, you-you just have to be patient.
- 122 But what if while I'm being patient, someone more relentless than me badgers their university into giving them money?
- 123 If there's someone more relentless than you, I'd like to meet them.
- 124 I would not.
- 125 I'm not waiting for the university to come around.

- 126 I'll find another way to raise the money.
- 127 Ooh, if it's one of those booths where we can throw a pie at you, I'm in for, like, bucks.
- 128 bucks if I can throw a DVD player.
- 129 Would you like some champagne?
- 130 Oh, thank you.
- 131 - Thanks.
- 132 - Sure.
- 133 This is nice.
- 134 What?
- 135 Helping Amy find a dress or day drinking?
- 136 It's just nice, okay?
- 137 What do you think?
- 138 (gasps)
- 139 Amy, oh, my God.
- 140 You look so beautiful.
- 141 I feel beautiful.
- 142 And look: both clavicles.
- 143 Take that, Mom.
- 144 You know what they say: if you got 'em, flaunt 'em.
- 145 Is it possible that the very first dress is the dress?
- 146 Oh, don't be silly.
- 147 You can't buy the first dress you try on.
- 148 That'd be like marrying the first guy that you...
- 149 You can't buy the first dress you try on.
- 150 Little finger sandwiches, too.
- 151 This place is amazing.
- 152 Interesting thing about finger sandwiches: you put enough of them together, you got a sandwich.
- 153 AMY: Uh, guys, we have a problem.
- 154 - Are you okay?
- 155 - What's wrong?
- 156 I look amazing in all of these dresses!
- 157 Wow.
- 158 Look at your waist.
- 159 Where you been hiding that thing?
- 160 (giggles)
- 161 Bernadette, stop.
- 162 Penny, you say something nice now.
- 163 Boy, you know, when Sheldon sees you in that dress, he's gonna want to methodically take it off, fold it up, carefully place it in a storage box, label it, and then ravish you.
- 164 Should I try on some more?
- 165 Are you having fun?
- 166 Am I having fun being beautiful?
- 167 Of course I am!

- 168 Great.
- 169 Keep going.
- 170 AMY: This is it.
- 171 This is the one.
- 172 Do you love it?
- 173 Do you?
- 174 I do.
- 175 Wow.
- 176 Also, wow.
- 177 - Hello, Leonard.
- 178 - Hi.
- 179 Are you doing anything?
- 180 No.
- 181 I'm just sitting here at my desk typing on my computer for nothing.
- 182 That was my guess, but I didn't want to assume.
- 183 Can you help me shoot my Kickstarter video?
- 184 Do you really think people are gonna give you half a billion dollars?
- 185 Of course not, but if I can raise enough seed money to show that I'm serious, I should be able to attract some major investors.
- 186 And look at the cool incentives I'm offering.
- $187 "For \ , \ , I will examine your diet and create a customized bathroomschedule." That's fitting-quantity of the properties of the$
- 188-Well, how about this?
- 189 For, I will design the flag of your house or apartment.
- 190 And for million, I will come over and telly ouw hat's wrong with you.
- 191 Aw, and all these years, I've been getting that for free.
- 192 Don'tbesmug, Leonard.
- 193-That's one of the things that's wrong with you.
- 194 Well, that was a successful trip.
- 195 Yes.
- 196 Amy found adress that she liked.
- 197 She suredid.
- 198 She found adress that looked like...
- 199 like it made her happy.
- 200 She shedidlookhappy.
- 201-Imean, her facewas just glowing, so...
- 202-Yeah, we should make sure the photographer knows to just really ...
- 203 get in there.
- 204 Mm.
- 205 Soweagreeit's awful?
- 206 That dress should be set on fire!
- 207 Should we say something?
- 208 No, we can't.
- 209-But don't you think she brought us with her' causes he want sourhones to pinion?
- 210 Noonewantsthat.
- 211 Ido.

- 212 No, yadon't.
- 213-Idon't wanther to look back and think she made some awful mistake.
- 214 Youmean like your dumb Cookie Monstert attoo?
- 215 See?
- 216 Wasthatfun?
- 217 Someone's gonnas ay something.
- 218-It should be us now instead of every one atherwedding.
- 219 Okay, but a slong as we do it gently.
- 220 Andtogether.
- 221 Well, what about mydress?
- 222 Don't you like it?
- 223 -Idon't.
- 224 -It's beautiful.
- 225 Hey, Stuart, I'dlike to sell some comic books.
- 226 Oh.
- 227 Well, Iknowall about that.
- 228-Stepone is flunkout of artschool.
- 229-Well, why are youselling 'em?
- 230-The university is refusing to fund my experiment, so In eed to raise money and do it on my own.
- 231 Ah.
- 232-How much doyoun eed?
- 233 Forastart, I'mtryingtoraise, .
- 234 Well, I hope you have that rare Superman printed on the skin of actual Superman.
- 235 I know you're making a joke, but I really do have some valuable issues in here.
- 236 And this is just the first box of many.
- 237 All right, let's see what you got.
- 238 Huh.
- 239 Is this a complete run of Todd McFarlane's Spawn? (gasps loudly)
- 240 Yes.
- 241 Ooh, look at this.
- 242 Giant-Size X-Men number one, Len Wein's relaunch of the franchise.
- 243 Yeah.
- 244 I know what it is.
- 245 I'm the one who bought it, bagged it, boarded it and taped it shut while wearing white cotton gloves.
- 246 Okay, well, you know, I'm gonna have to open it to assess its condition.
- 247 Just be gentle.
- 248 It's never felt the touch of a man before.
- 249 You don't seem like you really want to sell these.
- 250 Of course I don't want to sell these.
- 251 These are all important to me, but not as important as science, and if this is the sacrifice I need to make, then so be it.
- 252 Okav.
- 253 Uh, why don't you leave these here with me, and I'll-I'll price 'em out for

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254 - Is it okay if I stand here and watch?
255 - Sure.
256 - If anyone asks, tell them I was brave.
257 - Hey, I can't believe you just threw me under the bus.
258 - I know, right?
259 - That was crazy.
260 - Well...
261 - Do you know how that makes me look?
262 - - Uh, that's an easy one-bad.
263 - - Well...
264 - Why didn't you tell her that you didn't like the dress, either?
265 - I mean, what happened to our united front?
266 - I'm sorry.
267 - Is this your first day being a girl?
268 - Ooh, did your mom pack your lunch?
269 - (chuckles)
270 - Of course not.
271 - Do you know how much it costs to pack a tuna fish sandwich in dry ice
and overnight it from Texas?
272 - Well, I do, and my mother says it's too expensive.
273 - I like tuna fish.
274 - Do you want it?
275 - I'll sell it to you for ,.
276 - How's the fundraising going?
277 - Oh, that depends.
278 - Raj, wasthata" yes"?
279 - No.
280 - It's going badly.
281 - How much have your aised?
282-Well, with my Kickstarter campaign, selling my collectibles, and the money in my bank account, about the selling my collectibles and the money in my bank account, about the selling my collectibles and the money in my bank account, about the selling my collectibles and the money in my bank account, about the selling my collectibles and the money in my bank account, about the selling my collectibles and the money in my bank account, about the selling my collectibles are selling my collectibles. The selling my collectibles are selling my collectibles are selling my collectibles and the selling my collectibles are selling my collectibles. The selling my collectibles are selling my collectibles are selling my collectibles are selling my collectibles. The selling my collectibles are selling my collectibles are selling my collectibles are selling my collectibles. The selling my collectibles are selling my collectibles are selling my collectibles. The selling my collectibles are selling my collectibles are selling my collectibles are selling my collectibles are selling my collectibles. The selling my collectibles are selling my collectibles are selling my collectibles are selling my collectibles. The selling my collectibles are selling my collectibles. The selling my collectibles are selling my collectibles are selling my collectibles are selling my collectibles are selling my collectibles. The selling my collectibles are selling my collectibles. The selling my collectibles are selling my co
283 - Wow.
284 - That's a lot.
285 - Yeah, not enough.
286 - It's so frustrating that science should be held hostage to the almighty
287 - Well, don't give up.
288 - You'll find that money somewhere.
289 - - You really think so?
290 - - No, but it's good that he has a hobby.
291 - You ever thought of going to Vegas?
292 - Can you be more specific?
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293 - Las Vegas?

295 - Mm.

294 - Oh, you mean gambling.

- 296 Oh.
- 297 Well, that's not the worst idea.
- 298 Um, it is the worst idea, and I'm including the year that Raj wore nothing but tracksuits.
- 299 Ordinary people can't beat a casino, but mathematicians and scientists, they do it all the time.
- 300 Yeah, a group of students from MIT took Las Vegas for millions, and that's MIT.
- 301 Howard went there.
- 302 Come on, Sheldon.
- 303 I'll give you a ride out to the desert right now.
- 304 No one is going to Vegas.
- 305 No, we weren't gonna make it to Vegas.
- 306 Hi.
- 307 Do you have a minute?
- 308 Depends.
- 309 Is what I'm wearing okay, or should I go change first?
- 310 Look, I'm sorry.
- 311 I never should have said I didn't like your dress.
- 312 It's your wedding, and all that matters is that you feel beautiful.
- 313 Thank you.
- 314 So, are...
- 315 are we good?
- 316 No, we're not good.
- 317 You ruined my dress.
- 318 Well, why?
- 319 I just said you should wear it.
- 320 Well, I can't wear it now.
- 321 I mean, I know you hate it.
- 322 That's all I'm gonna be thinking about.
- 323 No, I don't hate it.
- 324 I asked if you liked it, and you said no.
- 325 There is a lot of room between "don't like" and "hate." You know, it's-it's where you find rice pudding and jazz.
- 326 Anyway, who cares what I think?
- 327 I do.
- 328 You're the-the coolest, prettiest, best-dressed person in my life.
- 329 Okay, that would be flattering, except I know all the people in your life.
- 330 Look, Amy, I don't know what to say.
- 331 I think I got stuck on the fact that it's not a dress I would choose, but it shouldn't be.
- 332 You know, it's your dress.
- 333 I mean, hey, would you marry Leonard?
- 334  $\mathrm{Ew}.$
- 335 Okay, a simple "no" would have been fine, but...
- 336 you see my point.

- 337 That we're different people?
- 338 Yes, and from now on, I am gonna remember that this wedding is all about vou.
- 339 I appreciate that.
- 340 You're a good maid of honor.
- 341 (ringtone plays)
- 342 It's Bernadette.
- 343 Hello?
- 344 I feel bad about hanging Penny out to dry.
- 345 The truth is, I don't like the dress, either.
- 346 Are you kidding me?
- 347 Now Bernadette doesn't like the dress?
- 348 (whispers): Oh, she is the worst.
- 349 Anyone seen Sheldon?
- 350 Last time I saw Sheldon was this morning.
- 351 Careful.
- 352 Don't say his name a third time.
- 353 You don't think he actually went to Las Vegas, do you?
- 354 (roulette ball clicking)
- 355 Five red.
- 356 (slot machines chiming)
- 357 This is it.
- 358 - Is everything okay, sir?
- 359 - Oh.
- 360 Hi.
- 361 It's better than okay.
- 362 I am a physicist, and I have been observing this wheel for hours and running a chi-square analysis, which is how I know that the ball is far more likely to land on , or five.
- 363 So if you could hold off on replacing this wheel, I'd like to make several large bets.
- 364 Well, good for you.
- 365 Pelican.
- 366 What's pelican?
- 367 - Sir, would you come with us?
- 368 - Oh, no.
- 369 I have to place my bet first.
- 370 This is for science.
- 371 - black.
- 372 - No!
- 373 No!
- 374 Oh, guess who's no longer allowed to set foot in...?
- 375 (gasps)
- 376 Wow!
- 377 You look beautiful.
- 378 Really?

- 379 'Cause I was gonna return it.
- 380 Why would you return it?
- 381 You look like a pile of swans.
- 382 I'm so glad you like it...
- 383 because...
- 384 it's gonna be my wedding dress.
- 385 I can't wait to marry you.
- 386 Why do you smell like smoke?
- 387 I was in Vegas.
- 388 Vegas?
- 389 I'm sorry.
- 390 Las Vegas.

# 3.23 Episode 23: The Sibling Realignment

- 1 That's not right.
- 2 That's so unreasonable.
- 3 Yeah, well, if you're going to be like this, then I don't want to talk to you right now, either.
- 4 Okay.
- 5 I love you.
- 6 Bye.
- 7 Amazon customer support?
- 8 No, my mother.
- 9 Guess who she's insisting we invite to our wedding.
- 10 Jesus?
- 11 If only.
- 12 My brother.
- 13 Wait a minute.
- 14 You didn't invite your brother to your own wedding?
- 15 He tormented me my whole childhood.
- 16 I don't think I should reward that type of behavior with a slice of wedding cake in the shape of the Millennium Falcon.
- 17 Try again.
- 18 A slice of wedding cake in the shape of a cake.
- 19 Look, he may have been mean to you when you were kids, but you're both grown men now.
- 20 That's right.
- 21  $I{\rm 'm}$  a grown-up, and if I don't want to invite him to my wedding, then I won't.
- 22 Okay.
- 23 Except I have to 'cause my mommy's making me.
- 24 Our whole universe was in a hot, dense state
- 25 Then nearly billion years ago expansion started... Wait!
- 26 The Earth began to cool
- 27 The autotrophs began to drool, Neanderthals developed tools

- 28 We built the Wall We built the pyramids
- 29 Math, Science, History, unraveling the mystery
- 30 That all started with a big bang
- 31 Bang!
- 32 Okay, so each welcome bag gets a schedule of events, a map, and chocolate from me.
- 33 And from Sheldon, a bottle of Purell...
- 34 ...the number for Poison Control in case someone accidentally drinks the Purell, and a laminated table of elements because the American school system is a failure.
- 35 How many out-of-town guests are there gonna be?
- 36 I'm actually not sure.
- 37 Turns out Sheldon didn't invite his brother.
- 38 Mm.
- 39 Now it's starting to sound like a wedding.
- 40 And his mom said she won't come if his brother's not there.
- 41 Ooh, now it's starting to sound like a good wedding.
- 42 WOLOWITZ: Hey, Bernie.
- 43 Hey.
- 44 How do you know if someone has pink eye?
- 45 Um, their eye would be red, swollen and probably oozy.
- 46 Okay, thanks.
- 47 Both kids have pink eye.
- 48 Oh, no.
- 49 You stop right there.
- 50 I'm getting married in a week; you are not giving me pink eye.
- 51 I don't have pink eye.
- 52 Hey!
- 53 Hey.
- 54 Hey.
- 55 Step away from the bride.
- 56 (chuckles): Okay.
- 57 I'll go back upstairs.
- 58 Get in the shower and then take those clothes and burn them.
- 59 Yeah, and all the rest of your clothes!
- 60 Ah, worth a shot.
- 61 So am I gonna be, like, the only single guy at Sheldon's wedding?
- 62 No.
- 63 There-There'll be a lot of single people there.
- 64 Stuart, Amy's great-aunt...
- 65 Although, Stuart's already friended her on Facebook, so, better move quick.
- 66 I got to find a date.
- 67 I don't want to be that sad single friend that everyone looks at with pity.
- 68 Uh, I'm-I'm afraid that ship may have sailed.
- 69 Leonard, you have a brother, right?
- 70 Yes.

- 71 Is he the worst?
- 72 Is he an unspeakable abomination?
- 73 Does the very thought of him make your skin crawl?
- 74 Well, he laughs at his own jokes, but otherwise he's okay.
- 75 Sheldon, what's going on?
- 76 I'm trying to invite my stupid brother to my wedding and he's avoiding my calls.
- 77 You don't know he's avoiding your calls.
- 78 (line ringing)
- 79 GEORGE JR.: Hey, you've reached George Cooper.
- 80 Please leave a message, unless this is Sheldon again, in which case, please try me on my other number, -suck-it.
- 81 See?
- 82 And I know that's not a real number because why would it be toll-free?
- 83 Sheldon, you tried.
- 84 What more could you have done?
- 85 Hey, why didn't you invite him in the first place?
- 86 You don't know what it was like growing up with him.
- 87 I get it; I grew up with lots of brothers.
- 88 My brother Adoot was especially mean.
- 89 Really?
- 90 I've never heard you mention Adoot.
- 91 Yeah, sure I have.
- 92 He's the one who left the door open when we were kids, and my pet mongoose ran away.
- 93 Stupid Adoot.
- 94 Look, uh, short of getting on a plane and flying there, what does your mother expect you to do?
- 95 I kept saying no.
- 96 H-H-How am I here?
- 97 Hey, did I tell you?
- 98 - I found a date.
- 99 - To the wedding?
- 100 Uh, to coffee.
- 101 But if things go well, Sheldon and Amy's wedding.
- 102 Aren't you worried it's a little intense to ask someone you just met to go to a wedding?
- 103 (sighs)
- 104 I'm running out of time.
- 105 Wh-Wh-Why can't there be a service where you can just pay someone to be your date for the evening?
- 106 Like an escort service?
- 107 No, no, no.
- 108 Y-You wouldn't be paying for s\*x.
- 109 I mean, obviously if things went well, it could lead to s\*x, but, but the money is for, like, you know, her time and companionship.

- 110 Oh, I get it...
- 111 an escort service.
- 112 Stop saying that.
- 113 Stop meaning it.
- 114 WOLOWITZ: Hey, Raj, remember when you borrowed my VR goggles the other day?
- 115 Yeah.
- 116 (sighs)
- 117 Probably shouldn't have done that.
- 118 So, wait, y-your brother is Dr.
- 119 Tire?
- 120 Yes, and, apparently, it only takes half a semester of community college to get that particular doctorate.
- 121 We passed three of these stores on the way here.
- 122 Why did you say he's just "some loser who sells tires"?
- 123 You're right, that was unfair.
- 124 He's a loser who sells more tires than anyone in Texas.
- 125 Oh, excuse me.
- 126 Uh, we're looking for a Georgie Cooper.
- 127 One second, I'll check to see if the doctor's in.
- 128 He is not a doctor.
- 129 (scoffs)
- 130 There's only one doctor here and it's me.
- 131 I'm also a doctor.
- 132 Do you want to wait in the car?
- 133 I wanted to wait in California.
- 134 So, is this Georgie?
- 135 Yes.
- 136 And what is he even using that stethoscope to listen to?
- 137 I don't know, small leak?
- 138 All right, that makes sense.
- 139 What the hell are you doing here?
- 140 Hello, Georgie.
- 141 It's just George now.
- 142 Fine, George.
- 143 No, I don't like it- Georgie.
- 144 I see you haven't changed one bit.
- 145 Thank you, that is a nice thing to say.
- 146 Hey, I'm Leonard.
- 147 I'm here for-for no reason.
- 148 What do you want, Sheldon?
- 149 Why aren't you returning my phone calls?
- 150 You're supposed to be the smart one; you figure it out.
- 151 He's not that kind of smart.
- 152 You might want to give him a hint.
- 153 We haven't talked in over ten years, and now that you need something,

- you think you can just show up at my store?
- 154 Well, let's just drop everything to accommodate Sheldon.
- 155 Nice try, but I am not a gullible little boy anymore.
- 156 I can recognize sarcasm.
- 157 Okay.
- 158 You're right.
- 159 I'm-I'm-I'm sorry.
- 160 Tell me what you need.
- 161 Your wish is my command.
- 162 That's better, thank you.
- 163 (Skype ringing)
- 164 Oh, my God.
- 165 Yeah, I got it, too.
- 166 Wow.
- 167 You really can't keep your hands off Howard, can you?
- 168 I know, I have a problem.
- 169 I just wanted to make sure you and Amy didn't get it.
- 170 (quietly): Well, I didn't get it.
- 171 You infected me a week before my wedding.
- 172 What am I supposed to do about this?
- 173 Wear a veil?
- 174 (laughs)
- 175 It's not funny.
- 176 Look at what you've done to me!
- 177 Ah, hey.
- 178 Could you just, like, not touch my computer or...
- 179 like, anything else.
- 180 I just, ugh, I don't want to look like that in your wedding photos.
- 181 There aren't gonna be any wedding photos.
- 182 My fiancé's a germophobe.
- 183 If he finds out I'm contagious, he'll never come back from Texas.
- 184 What if we tell him the theme of the wedding is Walking Dead and this is our zombie makeup?
- 185 That'll probably work.
- 186 We'll call that plan B.
- 187 Oh, well...
- 188 (clears throat)
- 189 Turns out this is gonna come in handy after all.
- 190 Hold up.
- 191 I-I'm confused.
- 192 You didn't want me at your wedding, but now that Mom won't come, you want me there.
- 193 I know you don't hear this a lot, but that is exactly right.
- 194 Good job.
- 195 Not helping, Sheldon.
- 196 Listen here, you want me at your wedding, all you got to do is ask nicely.

- 197 (sighs)
- 198 - Georgie.
- 199 - George.
- 200 (groans)
- 201 I would like you at my wedding.
- 202 Thank you, Sheldon.
- 203 That is so nice to hear.
- 204 But I would rather swallow a pregnant wildcat and crap out a litter of kittens
- 205 It is fitting that you got into tires, because you are tiresome.
- 206 Sheldon, come on.
- 207 Was that too mean?
- 208 No, not too mean, not too good either.
- 209 No, Mother.
- 210 That's not fair.
- 211 But he told...
- 212 Yes, ma'am.
- 213 But I said...
- 214 Yes, ma'am.
- 215 Good-bye.
- 216 What'd she say?
- 217 She's not getting in the middle of it because we "boys need to work it out ourselves." Oh, maybe it's fine if she doesn't come to the wedding.
- 218 I've got Amy now, and she can do everything a mom can do and more.
- 219 Say that to her on the wedding night.
- 220 Really spice things up.
- 221 This is all Georgie's fault.
- 222 My whole childhood, he was mean to me.
- 223 Sorry.
- 224 I know what it's like to live with a bully.
- 225 Your brother bullied you?
- 226 Oh, I was talking about Penny, but sure, yeah.
- 227 Once, when I was eight, I was going to dress as my favorite scientist for Halloween, and Georgie threw my costume away.
- 228 I had to wear a sheet and go as a ghost.
- 229 Scared myself all night long.
- 230 Well, look, we don't fly out until the morning.
- 231 Why don't I try and talk to him, give it one more shot?
- 232 All right.
- 233 But if he says, "Nerd says what," don't answer him.
- 234 - What?
- 235 You are a lamb to the slaughter.
- 236 So, how was your date?
- 237 It was going well until my eye dripped in her latte.
- 238 We're so sorry we ruined your date.
- 239 Oh, boo-hoo.

- 240 His date got ruined.
- 241 I'm about to get married, and look at me.
- 242 It looks like it's getting better.
- 243 Oh, does it?
- 244 Does it look like that with your two clear eyes?
- 245 I'm sorry.
- 246 Are you mad that I don't have pink eye?
- 247 What do you think?
- 248 BOTH: Yes!
- 249 Uh-huh.
- 250 Okav.
- 251 (knocking)
- 252 Okay.
- 253 Uh, uh, listen, I hear you.
- 254 I know they're pricey, but these are the Dallas Cowboys of tires, okay?
- 255 And we're talking the Troy Aikman Cowboys, not that pretty boy Tony Romo.
- 256 All right.
- 257 Good call.
- 258 You won't regret it.
- 259 Boom!
- 260 (laughs)
- 261 Wow.
- 262 That was impressive.
- 263 Yeah.
- 264 Well, it's easy when you love your product and hate Tony Romo.
- 265 (laughs)
- 266 Yeah, that guy's the...
- 267 Actually, I don't, I don't know who that guy is.
- 268 If you are here about Sheldon's wedding, don't bother.
- 269 Come on.
- 270 I-I know you two have your differences.
- 271 You mean pretty much everything about us?
- 272 Well, not everything.
- 273 (laughs)
- 274 You're both tall, you have the same last name.
- 275 Maybe I shouldn't have started this like it was a list.
- 276 You have no idea what you are talking about.
- 277 Ooh, there- that-that was very Sheldon.
- 278 Look, I-I'm sure he was not the easiest brother to have, but it wasn't easy for him either, with you picking on him all the time.
- 279 (laughing)
- 280 Picking on him?
- 281 Is that what he told you?
- 282 Well, what about the time you threw away his Halloween costume?
- 283 Well, yeah, 'cause he was gonna dress as some girl scientist.

- 284 Madame Curie?
- 285 Oh, I didn't know she was a madam.
- 286 Come on.
- 287 He was still gonna get beat up for wearing that dress.
- 288 Well, didn't you sit on his head while he tried to watch Star Trek? Well, yeah, but that was hilarious.
- 289 That is pretty hilarious, yeah.
- 290 Look, I mean, I always looked out for him at school.
- 291 I drove him everywhere.
- 292 I apologized to people when he was rude.
- 293 Yeah.
- 294 I've done all that.
- 295 I've also removed all the red balloons from his Lucky Charms because they weren't "Irish enough." All right.
- 296 So you know what I'm talking about.
- 297 And has he ever thanked you?
- 298 Not in so many words, or any words.
- 299 Would it kill him to actually say it?
- 300 No.
- 301 No, it wouldn't kill him.
- 302 Leonard, you know how I got the money to open up my first store?
- 303 I busted my ass for it, 'cause all the extra money that we had had to go to Sheldon so he could go to college and he could go study in Germany.
- 304 And do you know what he's never said to me?
- 305 Danke schon? It's, uh, "thank you" in German.
- 306 Do you need me to sit on your head?
- 307 Nope.
- 308 After all my sacrifices, guess which kid my mom is the most proud of.
- 309 If it makes you feel any better, my mom's most proud of Sheldon, too,
- 310 Leonard, you want a beer?
- 311 Yeah, I would love a beer.
- 312 There you go.
- 313 Thanks.
- 314 Can you open it for me?
- 315 No, it's a twist-off.
- 316 I know.
- 317 Hey!
- 318 I got all the beads to the other side.
- 319 It's not a puzzle, Penny.
- 320 Do you really want to be touching that?
- 321 Do you know how many sick kids...?
- 322 You know, never mind.
- 323 Knock yourself out.
- 324 (phone chimes)
- 325 Bernadette says they're checking the kids now.

- 326 You know, maybe we didn't all need to come.
- 327 Hey, whatever kind of pink eye their kids have, I have, and I need to know.
- 328 And if it's viral, I'm screwed.
- 329 Maybe not.
- 330 You know, I know it's not traditional wedding attire, but how about a welder's mask?
- 331 KOOTHRAPPALI: If you know a welder, that could be your "something borrowed." (door opens)
- 332 Great news!
- 333 It's bacterial!
- 334 - Yeah!
- 335 - Yeah.
- 336 - Yes!
- 337 - Yeah.
- 338 - Yes.
- 339 (whooping)
- 340 What are you doing?!
- 341 Wash your hands!
- 342 Oh.
- 343 Not you.
- 344 Hello.
- 345 Room service?
- 346 I'm calling about the club sandwich on your menu.
- 347 No, I-I don't want one.
- 348 I just want you to spell it correctly.
- 349 Unless the "club" is the Poor Typing Club.
- 350 Okay.
- 351 Now let's discuss this 352 Yeah- well, that was rude.
- 353 Someone just lost their gratooty.
- 354 (sighs)
- 355 Sheldon, you need to apologize to your brother.
- 356 - I'm sorry?
- 357 - Yes.
- 358 Like that, but nicer, and that way.
- 359 I have nothing to apologize for.
- 360 (scoffs)
- 361 I told you this was a bad idea.
- 362 Sometimes you can't patch a tire.
- 363 You just got to buy a new one.
- 364 Actually, that's always the case.
- 365 Never patch, buy new.
- 366 While I appreciate your folksy tire wisdom, I don't appreciate what you're putting Mom through.
- 367 What would you know about what Mom's been through?
- 368 You were never home.
- 369 Yeah, this is good.

- 370 - Get it all out.
- 371 - Not now!
- 372 - Shut up!
- 373 You went away to college after Dad died.
- 374 Who do you think took care of everything?
- 375 Mom did.
- 376 Mom always took care of everything.
- 377 Mom was a mess, Missy was a dumb teenager.
- 378 I had to look after both of 'em.
- 379 I talked to Mom all the time.
- 380 If she was upset, she would have told me.
- 381 She was protecting you, you idiot, just like everyone always does.
- 382 If things were bad, then why didn't you tell me?
- 383 Because I was protecting you, too.
- 384 (sighs)
- 385 You're my baby brother, Sheldon.
- 386 I know life has been hard for you, but that don't mean it's been easy for the rest of us.
- 387 I suppose I didn't think about how it was for everyone else.
- 388 No, that's all right.
- 389 I know you didn't.
- 390 I'm sorry.
- 391 Thank you.
- 392 And it would mean a lot to me to have my big brother at my wedding.
- 393 I wouldn't miss it.
- 394 (voice breaking): Is it me, or did we just patch a tire?
- 395 He said, "Never patch." Do you even listen?
- 396 (Skype ringing)
- 397 Hey, how's it going?
- 398 Really good.
- 399 Georgie's going to come to the wedding.
- 400 Oh, that's great!
- 401 Why aren't you looking at the camera?
- 402 Oh, you know, I'm just working on my peripheral vision.
- 403 Well, that is nonsense.
- 404 Your peripheral vision is fine.
- 405 Are those women's magazines making you feel bad about yourself again?
- 406 Yup, that is what's happening.
- 407 I have told you before, those women are airbrushed to make it look like they have good vision.
- 408 Hey, I-I was thinking, now that you and your brother made up, there's no reason to rush home.
- 409 Maybe you and Leonard could, could stay for, uh...
- 410 two to three more fun-filled days there.
- 411 That's a great idea!
- 412 Hey, Leonard, good news.

- 413 We do have time to visit the Museum of the American Railroad!
- 414 I'd say no, but what's the point?
- 415 Ooh.
- 416 You might not want to get too close.
- 417 Pink eve.
- 418 Me, too!
- 419 - Bacterial?
- 420 - Yeah.
- 421 Same!
- 422 (laughs)
- 423 I-I know this is gonna sound crazy, but...
- 424 would you be interested in going to a wedding with me?

## 3.24 Episode 24: The Bow Tie Asymmetry

- 1 All right, Saturday is the big day.
- 2 A lot of people thought this would never come.
- 3 I may have been one of those people.
- 4 I may have been one of those people.
- 5 Wait, wait, are we talking about the wedding?
- 6 Yes.
- 7 Oh, yeah, I was definitely one of those people.
- 8 And yet, here we are.
- 9 Now, we got a lot of family coming in tomorrow.
- 10 I'm gonna need everyone's help.
- 11 Think of this as one of your comic book movies.
- 12 There's a bunch of superheroes, each with a different task.
- 13 Oh, like the new Avengers.
- 14 Which one was that?
- 15 The one you slept through last weekend.
- 16 Oh, that was a good nap.
- 17 I-I think it's more like, uh, like Lord of the Rings, and you're the Fellowship.
- 18 Uh, someone's got to go to Gondor, someone's got to go to Mordor, someone's got to hold off the demon of shadow and flame.
- 19 You mean the Balrog?
- 20 I mean my mother.
- 21 That is a perfect metaphor, Amy.
- 22 Thank you.
- 23 Because it also involves a ring that binds me in servitude forever.
- 24 Aw, he said forever.
- 25 Our whole universe was in a hot, dense state
- 26 Then nearly billion years ago expansion started... Wait!
- 27 The Earth began to cool
- 28 The autotrophs began to drool, Neanderthals developed tools
- 29 We built the Wall We built the pyramids
- 30 Math, Science, History, unraveling the mystery

- 31 That all started with a big bang
- 32 Bang!
- 33 That was Wil Wheaton.
- 34 He's really excited about tomorrow.
- 35 As am I.
- 36 If you'd have told me as a child that an actor from Star Trek would be officiating my wedding, I would've said, "Ooh, William Shatner?" And if you'd have said, "No, Wil" And if you'd have said, "Yes, but he costs too much money," I'd have said, "Ah, well, Wil Wheaton's good, too." Why do you keep tying and untying that bow tie?
- 37 I can't seem to get it even.
- 38 Well, I don't think it's supposed to be even.
- 39 Sometimes a little asymmetry looks good.
- 40 In the Renaissance, they called it "sprezzatura." The Renaissance?
- 41 Amy, you know I'm more of an Enlightenment person.
- 42 At some point, we have to decide how we want to raise the children.
- 43 So are you feeling okay?
- 44 No wedding jitters?
- 45 No.
- 46 There is nothing in the world that would stop me from marrying you tomorrow, even me from the future coming back to prevent the wedding and the subsequent birth of a child who will destroy humanity.
- 47 Because if you came from the future, that would mean you already went through with the wedding because you believe that time travel is on a closed loop.
- 48 I love you so damn much.
- 49 (sighs)
- 50 Uh. Mr.
- 51 Fowler, are you okay back there?
- 52 Do you need more air?
- 53 He's fine.
- 54 I'm surprised Amy didn't pick us up.
- 55 Oh, well, you know, she's pretty busy the day before her wedding.
- 56 Too busy for her mother?
- 57 She used to be such a devoted daughter.
- 58 Now she's just waiting for me to die so she can get my china.
- 59 Thank you again for picking us up.
- 60 (chuckles)
- 61 My pleasure, Mrs. Cooper.
- 62 You know, our driver to the airport was also a Indian fella.
- 63 Mom..
- 64 Oh, so now it's racist to notice when somebody's Indian.
- 65 I don't think it's racist.
- 66 I noticed you were both white.
- 67 See?
- 68 You'll have to excuse her.

- 69 She's just pregnant and hormonal.
- 70 Oh, yeah, congratulations on baby number two.
- 71 Yeah.
- 72 Whoopie.
- 73 Her husband would be here, but he stayed home to watch their older son, so e-everything's fine!
- 74 Stop it.
- 75 We're separated.
- 76 You don't say.
- 77 So, you're Sheldon's big brother.
- 78 Uh, yeah.
- 79 He got the brains.
- 80 I got the bod.
- 81 (chuckles)
- 82 And the face and the hair.
- 83 I like your accent.
- 84 Sheldon, did you used to sound like that?
- 85 Can you still?
- 86 I can.
- 87 I will not.
- 88 Amy, you said something about my bow tie that I can't stop thinking about.
- 89 Don't you mean...
- 90 (Southern accent): "Y'all said something 'bout my bow tie"?
- 91 Go on, say it.
- 92 (chuckles)
- 93 Say it.
- 94 Hey, guys, look who I have.
- 95 Oh.
- 96 MISSY: Hey.
- 97 Hey, Shelly.
- 98 I'm so glad you made it, Missy.
- 99 This is my fiancée, Amy.
- 100 Amy, this is my sister.
- 101 If I ever need a kidney, this is where you get it.
- 102 - It's so nice to meet you.
- 103 - Aw.
- 104 I've always wanted a sister.
- 105 Really?
- 106 Why?
- 107 I love you, too, Sheldon.
- 108 Really?
- 109 Why?
- 110 Where's Mom?
- 111 Uh, she wanted to stop by the hotel and freshen up, and then call her pastor to pray for Missy's soul.
- 112 Oh, my God.

- 113 There's mama's girl.
- 114 - Hi, Mom.
- 115 - Oh!
- 116 Oh, Larry, look at her!
- 117 Can you believe our little lamb is finally getting married?
- 118 He can't believe it.
- 119 And neither can I.
- 120 (laughs)
- 121 Hi, Dad.
- 122 How you doing?
- 123 What the hell is that?
- 124 Come on, you know this one.
- 125 It's a...
- 126 dog.
- 127 I found him in the backyard.
- 128 And don't worry, I already called the owner.
- 129 Good, 'cause we don't need a dog.
- 130 We already have two babies, you and Stuart.
- 131 (doorbell rings)
- 132 That's probably him.
- 133 Hi.
- 134 I'm gonna need a minute.
- 135 That's Mark Hamill!
- 136 Hello.
- 137 Thank you so much for finding this guy.
- 138 Oh, my goodness.
- 139 Hey, Bark.
- 140 How are you, buddy?
- 141 Y-Your dog's name is Bark?
- 142 Yeah.
- 143 Bark Hamill?
- 144 Yeah.
- 145 Well, I let the fans name him online.
- 146 I got lucky, though.
- 147 He was almost Honey Baked Hamill.
- 148 Anyway, thanks so much.
- 149 I-I want to give you a reward for finding him.
- 150 (chuckles): Oh, no, I couldn't take your money.
- 151 It's just an honor to meet you.
- 152 No.
- 153 No, please.
- 154 You don't know what this dog means to me, and I thought he was gone for good.
- 155 Please?
- 156 There must be something I can do for you.
- 157 Anything.

- 158 Oh, you're gonna regret that.
- 159 (chuckles)
- 160 Hev. dude.
- 161 Dude?
- 162 Yeah, you know, just want you to know that I don't think of you as a woman.
- 163 Oh, perfect.
- 164 I don't think of you as a man.
- 165 Great.
- 166 So, as two genderless blobs of human flesh, how would you like to go to Sheldon and Amy's wedding with me?
- 167 Oh, Stuart.
- 168 Look, I appreciate that, but it just might be a little weird, considering you're my boss.
- 169 Guess who's gonna officiate Sheldon and Amy's wedding!
- 170 Mark Hamill!
- 171 Luke Skywalker is gonna be at the wedding!
- 172 You'll need to buy me a dress.
- 173 And did you know that my Amy played Amelia Earhart in the eighth grade?
- 174 Amy, you never said you were in a school play.
- 175 Oh, no, no, at home.
- 176 I'd never let her do a school play.
- 177 Those kids just take drugs and have intercourse.
- 178 You know, Amy still does some performing.
- 179 She and Sheldon do an Internet show about flags.
- 180 Amy?
- 181 V-Videos on the Internet?
- 182 You know what men use those for.
- 183 If you're talking about Fun with Flags, I use it to go to sleep.
- 184 Sheldon, you're awfully quiet.
- 185 Are you okay?
- 186 Oh.
- 187 Oh, I'm sorry.
- 188 I was thinking about string theory.
- 189 But catch me up.
- 190 What'd I miss?
- 191 Are you seeing this, Larry?
- 192 These are the people I'm gonna have to live with after you're dead.
- 193 Welcome, Bert.
- 194 Don't you look nice.
- 195 Yeah.
- 196 Like a geode, I clean up good.
- 197 Don't you crack a geode open?
- 198 It's not a perfect metaphor.
- 199 KOOTHRAPPALI: Oh, my God.

- 200 - Is that Mark Hamill?
- 201 - Yeah.
- 202 BERT: Oh, my God.
- 203 - Is that...
- 204 - Bert, go find your seat!
- 205 W-What is he doing here?
- 206 I found his dog and guilted him into officiating the wedding.
- 207 Don't tell Sheldon.
- 208 It's a surprise.
- 209 Wait, I-I thought Wil was officiating the wedding.
- 210 Yeah, so did he.
- 211 How did he take the news?
- 212 I'll let you know.
- 213 Hey, Wil!
- 214 (sniffles)
- 215 Are you having an allergic reaction to my boutonniere?
- 216 No.
- 217 I'm just so happy for you.
- 218 And for me.
- 219 After today, you are officially – and, more important, legally – Amy's problem
- 220 Don't be silly, Leonard.
- 221 I will always be your problem.
- 222 (knocking)
- 223 Hey, baby.
- 224 Hello, Mother.
- 225 Leonard, could you give us a moment?
- 226 Oh, of course.
- 227 Oh, Shelly.
- 228 I wish your dad could see you now.
- 229 Me, too.
- 230 I miss him.
- 231 He would be so proud of you.
- 232 I know that I am.
- 233 Thank you.
- 234 I mean, for everything.
- 235 My whole life.
- 236 Oh.
- 237 (chuckles)
- 238 (sniffles)
- 239 Let me straighten your tie.
- 240 No, no, no, it's all right.
- 241 It's supposed to be a little asymmetrical.
- 242 Apparently, a small flaw somehow improves it.
- 243 I can see that.
- 244 Sometimes it's the...

- 245 imperfect stuff that makes things perfect.
- 246 Excuse me.
- 247 (door closes)
- 248 Case in point.
- 249 So, we finally meet.
- 250 I'm sorry, who are you?
- 251 (scoffs)
- 252 I'm Wil Wheaton.
- 253 I was supposed to officiate this wedding.
- 254 I was up all night preparing these notes.
- 255 Well, thanks so much.
- 256 It's gonna be a great help.
- 257 (knocking)
- 258 SHELDON: Amy.
- 259 (knocking)
- 260 Amy.
- 261 (knocking)
- 262 Amy.
- 263 Come in.
- 264 (panting)
- 265 There's something I need to tell you.
- 266 Wow, you look amazing!
- 267 That's not what I need to tell you.
- 268 But you do!
- 269 What's wrong?
- 270 Something incredible just happened.
- 271 Remember when you were telling me about my bow tie and how a little asymmetry is good?
- 272 - Yeah?
- 273 - My equations have been trying to describe an imperfect world, and the only way to do that is to introduce imperfection into the underlying theory.
- 274 So, instead of supersymmetry, it would be super asymmetry?
- 275 (gasps)
- 276 Super asymmetry.
- 277 That's it!
- 278 - Give me your lipstick.
- 279 - What?
- 280 Just give it to me, you beautiful thing!
- 281 We have work to do!
- 282 Hey, uh, the bride and groom seem to be running a little behind.
- 283 Do you think you could stall?
- 284 Stall?
- 285  $\operatorname{How}?$
- 286 Hey, everybody!
- 287 Uh, it's gonna be a few more minutes, but while we wait, does anyone have any questions about Star Wars?

- 288 You got this.
- 289 So if I make slightly asymmetric knots with sheets in four dimensions, I can bootstrap the whole idea to a large asymmetry in dimensions.
- 290 Maybe even at the initial moment of creation, the fundamental forces lacked symmetry.
- 291 (knocking)
- 292 Everyone's waiting.
- 293 What are you guys doing?
- 294 Super asymmetry.
- 295 Super asymmetry?
- 296 Is that a thing?
- 297 We're inventing it right now.
- 298 Don't you think this can wait until...
- 299 Hold on.
- 300 This is interesting.
- 301 So, yeah, Mr.
- 302 Mark?
- 303 When you were on the, uh, Wookiee home planet, how did you even understand what they were saying?
- 304 I don't remember ever being on a Wookiee home planet.
- 305 Uh, actually, Luke was on the Wookiee home planet, Kashyyyk, in the Holiday Special when he helped Chewie get home to his wife.
- 306 Chewie had a wife?
- 307 Her name's Malla.
- 308 Wow, that's impressive.
- 309 Yeah.
- 310 Hey, uh, I got a question.
- 311 Why aren't there tires on any of those Star Wars vehicles?
- 312 (chuckles)
- 313 I'm sure some of them had tires.
- 314 Actually, they don't.
- 315 I mean, the HAVw A turbo tank has metal gripping wheels, but I wouldn't call them tires.
- 316 You are so hot.
- 317 This is taking too long.
- 318 I bet that Sheldon stood my baby up.
- 319 Uh, excuse me.
- 320 Where-where are you going?
- 321 This whole thing was a big mistake.
- 322 I'm gonna find Amy and get her out of here.
- 323 - Sit down!
- 324 Excuse me?
- 325 Sheldon loves Amy, and he would never hurt her on her wedding day or any other day, so park it.
- 326 Oh, you sit down, too.
- 327 Are you gonna let her talk to me like that?

- 328 Say something.
- 329 Thank you.
- 330 LEONARD: Uh, according to Google, there are zero papers that mention super asymmetry.
- 331 This is brand-new.
- 332 No one's thought of it.
- 333 What are you lunatics doing?
- 334 !
- 335 Sheldon had a breakthrough.
- 336 Actually, Amy and I had a breakthrough.
- 337 Oh, science?
- 338 Shocking!
- 339 You don't understand.
- 340 This could be really big.
- 341 No, Penny's right.
- 342 We have our whole lives to do science together.
- 343 Let's get married.
- 344 PENNY: All right.
- 345 It's go time!
- 346 I am pumped!
- 347 Okay, everyone.
- 348 Here we go.
- 349 Leonard.
- 350 That's Mark Ha-Ha-Ha...
- 351- It's-it's Mark Hami-Ha-Ha...
- 352 Yep.
- 353 Thank Wolowitz.
- 354 He set it up.
- 355 (whispers): Thank you.
- 356 Congratulations on your wedding.
- 357 Thank you.
- 358 When this is over, I have , things for you to sign.
- 359 ("Bridal Chorus" playing)
- 360 Thank you, Daddy.
- 361 (song ends)
- 362 I-I thought Wil was marrying us.
- 363 Wolowitz got us an upgrade.
- 364 Another sci-fi guy with a beard.
- 365 Seems lateral, but okay.
- 366 Welcome.
- 367 We are gathered here today in the sight of family, friends and Almighty God.
- 368 That's too religious.
- 369 That lady over there made me say it.
- 370 He heard you, and he can't un-hear you.
- 371 We're here to celebrate the marriage of Sheldon Lee Cooper...

- 372 ...and Amy Farrah Fowler.
- 373 I had more prepared, but I'm just gonna skip to the rings and vows, since I've been answering your questions for minutes.
- 374 Yeah, he answered 'em.
- 375 Amy, you're up.
- 376 Sheldon, when I was a little girl, I used to dream about my wedding.
- 377 But, eventually, I stopped, because I thought that day would never come.
- 378 And then I met you.
- 379 From the first moment in that coffee shop, I knew that there was something special between us, even though I did work on a study that disproved love at first sight.
- 380 I loved that study the moment I read it.
- 381 Ironic, huh?
- 382 Clearly, it was wrong.
- 383 Because I felt something that day, and those feelings have only gotten stronger with time.
- 384 I can't imagine loving you more than I do right now.
- 385 But I felt that way yesterday and the day before yesterday and the day before that.
- 386 Is that growth linear or accelerating?
- 387 Accelerating.
- 388 Oh, maybe we could graph it out.
- 389 Save something for the honeymoon.
- 390 Smart.
- 391 Sheldon, I don't know what the future holds, but I know that I've never been happier than I am in this moment marrying you.
- 392 (voice breaking): Well, that was unexpectedly beautiful.
- 393 (sniffles)
- 394 I might need a minute.
- 395 Amy...
- 396 ...I usually know exactly what to say.
- 397 But in this moment...
- 398 I have no words.
- 399 I guess...
- 400 (sighs softly)
- 401 I'm overwhelmed by you.
- 402 In a good way.
- 403 Not in the elevator in the Haunted Mansion way.
- 404 Even if I can't tell you now how I feel, I will spend my life showing you how much I love you.
- 405 (voice breaking): Do you...
- 406 (clears throat)
- 407 Do you...
- 408 Hey, I'm just saying, I'm here if you need me to step in.
- 409 No, no, no.
- 410 I got this.

- 411 (sniffles)
- 412 Amy, do you take Sheldon for your lawful wedded husband?
- 413 I do.
- 414 (high-pitched): And, Sheldon, same thing.
- 415 I do.
- 416 Then by the power vested in me by EvenYouCanPerformWeddings.com...
- 417 ...I now pronounce you husband and wife.
- 418 You may kiss the bride.
- 419 (crowd cheering)
- 420 At wast...
- 421 -
- 422 My wove has come awong
- 423 My wonewy days are over
- 424 And wife is wike a song
- 425 Oh, yeah.

# 4 The Big Bang Theory Season 12

## 4.1 Episode 01: The Conjugal Configuration

- 1 Previously on The Big Bang Theory...
- 2 Can you believe our little lamb is finally getting married?
- 3 He can't believe it.
- 4 And neither can I.
- 5 (laughing) Hi, Dad.
- 6 How you doing?
- 7 (voice breaking) : Then by the power vested in me... by EvenYouCanPerformWeddings.com...
- 8 I now pronounce you husband and wife.
- 9 You may kiss the bride.
- 10 (crowd cheering) Good morning, wife.
- 11 (chuckles) Good morning, husband.
- 12 I can't believe we're actually married.
- 13 It's official.
- 14 According to tradition, we should hang the bedsheets outside so the villagers can see that we consummated.
- 15 I don't think that that's appropriate, considering where we're starting our honeymoon.
- 16 Well, I suppose you're right.
- 17 Although, when you think about it, Lego is the perfect metaphor for marital congress.
- 18 Two pieces that interlock with a satisfying snap.
- 19 Oh, that's the sound you were making.
- 20 Oh, I almost forgot.
- 21 While you were sleeping, I ordered room service.

- 22 Really?
- 23 Voilà!
- 24 You thought it was going to be food, didn't you?
- 25 Our whole universe was in a hot, dense state Then nearly billion years ago expansion started...
- 26 Wait!
- 27 The Earth began to cool The autotrophs began to drool, Neanderthals developed tools We built the Wall We built the pyramids Math, Science, History, unraveling the mystery That all started with a big bang Bang! Is it nice having Sheldon and Amy away on their honeymoon?
- 28 Yeah, because now Leonard and I get all this alone time.
- 29 But you're not alone.
- 30 We're here.
- 31 Yes.
- 32 (sighs) Yes, you are.
- 33 BERNADETTE: Would you like us to leave so you and Leonard can talk about all the things you have in common?
- 34 LEONARD: Ha, ha, she called your bluff.
- 35 KOOTHRAPPALI: So, something pretty cool happened.
- 36 Channel asked me to be on the news tomorrow night to talk about the meteor shower.
- 37 Oh, that's great.
- 38 - Hey!
- 39 - Congratulations.
- 40 You know, that's how Neil deGrasse Tyson got his start.
- 41 He went from the Hayden Planetarium to guesting on the local news to ruining everyone's favorite movies on the Internet.
- 42 KOOTHRAPPALI: Now it's happening to me.
- 43 Ooh, I should probably make a list of all the scientific inaccuracies in Mamma Mia. You're gonna go on live TV and admit you've seen that movie?
- 44 Hey, your husband's the one who took me.
- 45 Meryl Streep and Cher?
- 46 Yeah, I saw it.
- 47 (loud noise) Sounds like someone's in there.
- 48 My God, what if Sheldon and Amy are getting robbed?
- 49 Or worse, what if they're back early?
- 50 They're not; they just posted a picture in front of the Statue of Liberty.
- 51 - Real or Lego?
- 52 -Lego.
- 53 So, what should we do?
- 54 Should someone go check it out?
- 55 I would, but I got to be on TV tomorrow.
- 56 Got to protect the money.
- 57 Oh, yeah, someone's definitely in there.
- 58 Okay, let's go into our apartment.
- 59 We'll lock the door, we'll call the pol...

- 60 Hello?!
- 61 Anyone in there?!
- 62 - Yes?
- 63 - Oh, uh, Mr.
- 64 Fowler.
- 65 Sorry, we didn't know you were here.
- 66 We-we actually thought someone was breaking in.
- 67 (chuckles) And we were ready to take them down.
- 68 Amy asked me to water her plants.
- 69 She doesn't have any plants.
- 70 Oh.
- 71 Well, you caught me in a lie.
- 72 Have a good day.
- 73 That was weird, right?
- 74 Was it?
- 75 I-I honestly can't tell anymore.
- 76 Hey, did you even see Mamma Mia? Didn't need to.
- 77 The sequel stands on its own.
- 78 Here you go.
- 79 If you need any recommendations while visiting New York, please don't hesitate to contact me.
- 80 Well, it is our honeymoon.
- 81 So we are going to be quite busy.
- 82 Got it.
- 83 Harry Potter play, parts one and two.
- 84 And tomorrow, a tour of the sites where Nikola Tesla lived, worked and slowly went crazy.
- 85 And, of course, coitus.
- 86 Ah.
- 87 Well, enjoy New York.
- 88 And, I guess, coitus.
- 89 Really, Sheldon?
- 90 You want to do it again?
- 91 Don't act surprised.
- 92 It's clearly marked on the schedule.
- 93 Now, shall we steam the wrinkles out of our wizard robes, or make vigorous, socially sanctioned love?
- 94 Either way, I can check something off my to-do list.
- 95 Socially sanc- Oh, wow.
- 96 Yeah, there it is right there.
- 97 Uh, hurry.
- 98 Raj is on next.
- 99 All right.
- 100 I can't believe they canceled Vampire Diaries but they'll show this.
- 101 This is the news.
- 102 And that was a woman torn between two hunky vampires.

- 103 What is your point?
- 104 (pounding on door across hall)
- 105 MRS. FOWLER: Larry?
- 106 I know you're in there!
- 107 Is that Amy's mom?
- 108 MRS.
- 109 FOWLER:

### 4.2 Episode 02: The Wedding Gift Wormhole

- 1 But I think, by the end of the honeymoon, we really started to feel like a married couple.
- 2 But the good kind, like on TV, not like my parents.
- 3 - Yeah.
- 4 You're not a real married couple until you can pee with the door open and she's okay with it.
- 5 I told you, I'm not okay with it.
- 6 She loves it.
- 7 So, we got everybody gifts.
- 8 Aw.
- 9 Did you forget about us until you were at the airport?
- 10 No.
- 11 We forgot about you until we were on the plane.
- 12 Luckily, there was Wi-Fi, and I have Amazon Prime.
- 13 I heart New York.
- 14 Aw, the baby's gonna love throwing up on this.
- 15 Look, it doesn't have to just be New York.
- 16 That's the beauty of it.
- 17 Uh, the initials "N.Y." can stand for anything you like.
- 18 For instance, I understand that there is an elderly rock-and-roll musician named Neil Young.
- 19 Perhaps you heart him.
- 20 Or if not him, Egyptian table tennis silver medalist Noha Yossry.
- 21 Or Nana Yamaguchi, the Japanese voice actress who starred in Sally the Witch. Did you just Google the initials "N.Y."?
- 22 I had Wi-Fi and a long plane flight.
- 23 Draw your own conclusions.
- 24 Well, guys, that was very, very thoughtful of you.
- 25 I...
- 26 Did you get me a double XL?
- 27 - I told you.
- 28 - You were right, dear.
- 29 Our whole universe was in a hot, dense state Then nearly billion years ago expansion started...
- 30 Wait!
- 31 The Earth began to cool The autotrophs began to drool, Neanderthals de-

veloped tools We built the Wall We built the pyramids Math, Science, History, unraveling the mystery That all started with a big bang Bang! Sheldon, that's not how you write a thank you card.

- 32 What's wrong with it?
- 33 "Dear Aunt Helen, "thank you so much for the lovely place setting.
- 34 "If my handwriting looks strained," that is because this is the th thank you card "Amy has forced me to write.
- 35 "The muscles in my wrist are cramping" as I struggle to finish this sentence.
- 36 "Ow, ow, oh, the pain.
- 37 Love, Sheldon." Fine.
- 38 "And Amy." Ow.
- 39 This one is from Leonard and Penny.
- 40 Aw.
- 41 "The perfect gift for the perfect couple." Save that card.
- 42 We may need to throw it back in their faces.
- 43 I wonder what it could be.
- 44 Oh, could be anything.
- 45 A flute, a letter opener, one of those pens where you put the bikini back on the naked lady.
- 46 Oh.
- 47 Isn't this nice?
- 48 What is it?
- 49 You know, it's, uh, it's one of those...
- 50 Nope, doesn't do that.
- 51 Oh, maybe it's candy.
- 52 Lick it.
- 53 I don't want to lick it.
- 54 You lick it.
- 55 I'm not gonna lick it.
- 56 I just brushed my teeth.
- 57 Is it from one of your dumb sci-fi shows?
- 58 Uh, none of the sci-fi shows I watch are dumb.
- 59 - Sheldon...
- 60 - Okay, Westworld. But this has nothing to do with that show, other than it's also inexplicable.
- 61 Well, Leonard and Penny are our best friends.
- 62 They know us better than anyone.
- 63 They said it's the perfect gift.
- 64 We must be missing something.
- 65 You don't...
- 66 think it's a marital aid, do you?
- 67 Don't be silly.
- 68 Amy, how is this big glass shaft going to aid our marriage?
- 69 Do you think when Krypto the Superdog is out flying, Superman has to fly after him with a little baggie?
- 70 Hmm.

- 71 Haven't really thought about it before.
- 72 But he doesn't need a baggie, because he just blasts the poop with his heat vision.
- 73 You've thought about it before.
- 74 Oh, I've thought about it a lot.
- 75 (chuckles)
- 76 (chuckles)
- 77 What is wrong with Stuart's face?
- 78 I think he's smiling.
- 79 Oh, my God, are they flirting?
- 80 Oh, they're way past flirting.
- 81 I caught them making out at Sheldon's wedding.
- 82 Are you sure she wasn't trying to breathe life back into him?
- 83 I don't think so.
- 84 When I used that much tongue at CPR training, I had to buy the dummy.
- 85 Ooh, I have class.
- 86 I should go.
- 87 Oh.
- 88 Okay.
- 89 - Bye.
- 90 - Bye.
- 91 (chuckles)
- 92 (both chuckle)
- 93 See ya, guys.
- 94 - Bye.
- 95 - Bye.
- 96 So, what's her deal?
- 97 Is she into you or does she just hate her parents?
- 98 I-I don't know.
- 99 We kissed a little at the wedding, and it was great.
- 100 But we haven't really talked about it since then.
- 101 So I-I don't know how she feels about me.
- 102 Well, she patted you on the head, so I'm guessing she feels like you're such a good boy!
- 103 (chuckles)
- 104 Seriously, do you think I should ask her out?
- 105 A-Absolutely.
- 106 Don't let love get away.
- 107 It is the most important thing in the world.
- 108 Without it, life is dark and meaningless and all you're left with is the judgmental gaze of your dog as you finish off a bag of Doritos on the toilet.
- 109 Thanks.
- 110 You're a real good pal.
- 111 And now you're a good boy!
- 112 (smooches)
- 113 I can't stop thinking about that present.

- 114 It's driving me crazy.
- 115 Me, too!
- 116 The card said it was the perfect gift.
- 117 But it's not a dinosaur fossil or matching pocket watches, so I don't see how it can be.
- 118 Maybe we're trying too hard.
- 119 Maybe it's something simple.
- 120 (gasps)
- 121 Like Leonard and Penny.
- 122 Yes, good.
- 123 We just need to think like them.
- 124 (inhales, exhales)
- 125 Okay.
- 126 What gift can I get us to express how grateful we are to have us in their lives?
- 127 Way to make it simple.
- 128 I'm just gonna ask them.
- 129 No, you can't; it'll hurt their feelings.
- 130 I'm okay with that.
- 131 And they'll know you weren't smart enough to figure it out on your own.
- 132 You're right.
- 133 Oh, this is awful.
- 134 And I can't even comfort myself by stroking the fossilized tibia of a Pentaceratops. Let's just go to sleep.
- 135 We'll look at it in the morning with fresh eyes, and maybe it'll come to us.
- 136 Fine.
- 137 Or we go tear apart that box and look for a clue.
- 138 Staying up past my bedtime and solving mysteries?
- 139 Who knew married life could be this good?
- 140 What's wrong with his face?
- 141 A lot of people have been asking that.
- 142 He's...
- 143 smiling.
- 144 Hey, Stuart, you look pretty happy.
- 145 Oh, yeah.
- 146 I, uh, asked Denise out on a date, and she said yes.
- 147 Aw.
- 148 That's great.
- 149 But don't smile like that in front of Halley.
- 150 She just started sleeping through the night.
- 151 Sorry.
- 152 I'm excited.
- 153 I haven't been on a date in a long time.
- 154 Back when I was dating, I'd always wear a new pair of underwear, just in case.

- 155 It's also been a long time since I bought new underwear.
- 156 And I probably should, because these are no longer tighty nor whitey.
- 157 Okay, I'm out.
- 158 If there's a chance someone's gonna see you naked, it's also polite to make sure you're well-groomed down there.
- 159 I get it, Howard.
- 160 I've been busy!
- 161 Hello.
- 162 - Hey.
- 163 - I just wanted to pop over and hand-deliver this thank you note for your very thoughtful wedding gift.
- 164 PENNY: Oh.
- 165 Oh, good.
- 166 You guys liked it?
- 167 Well, we liked it a lot more than things that aren't it, I'll tell you that.
- 168 Well, yeah, that's great.
- 169 Because when we saw it, we thought, "Amy and Sheldon just have to have that." Oh, do tell.
- 170 Now, paint a picture for me, like where you were when you found it and what you thought we'd enjoy doing with it.
- 171 Do you not know what it is?
- 172 PENNY: Of course he knows what it is.
- 173 He's the smartest man in the world.
- 174 Well, I don't know about the world.
- 175 Some of those Chinese fellas are pretty clever.
- 176 Now, if you'll excuse me, I'm going to return home and use your gift in the manner which it was intended.
- 177 (laughing)
- 178 He-He's never gonna figure it out.
- 179 I know.
- 180 (thumping)
- 181 SHELDON: What are you?!
- 182 Gosh, this makes me happy.
- 183 - Yeah.
- 184 (laughs)
- 185 Howard, I don't often say this, but, good, you're here.
- 186 Now, do you know what Leonard and Penny got us for our wedding gift?
- 187 - Well...
- 188 - (stammers)
- 189 Don't answer.
- 190 I don't want to know.
- 191 I just want to know if you know.
- 192 - I do know.
- 193 - Okay, great.
- 194 I believe that Amy and I have figured it out.
- 195 Is it a clue to a scavenger hunt that will lead us to the actual present?

- 196 If you're asking if you and Amy should spend the next couple days running all over town searching for the next clue, I'm gonna have to say yes.
- 197 I knew it!
- 198 This is so much fun.
- 199 Oh, it really is.
- 200 (chuckles)
- 201 Oh, Leonard, thank you again.
- 202 - We love the gift.
- 203 - Aw.
- 204 Does he know what it is?
- 205 No, not even close.
- 206 He thinks it's a clue to a scavenger hunt.
- 207 (laughs)
- 208 So, so happy.
- 209 Well, what is it?
- 210 What did you give them?
- 211 Oh, i-it's just this dumb crystal wand that Howard and Bernadette gave us for our wedding.
- 212 Penny and I made each other miserable trying to figure out what it was, and we thought, "Why not pass that fun along to Sheldon and Amy." Wait a minute.
- 213 Did– did you give them the crystal chakra wand that I gave you for your wedding?
- 214 Yeah, that's exactly what we did.
- 215 You said you liked it!
- 216 Yeah, that's exactly what I said.
- 217 Wow.
- 218 A scavenger hunt.
- 219 That's exciting.
- 220 I had a bit of a scavenger hunt myself last night.
- 221 I was trying to find the remote.
- 222 I looked under one of the cushions.
- 223 Wasn't there.
- 224 Then I lifted the cushion a little higher.
- 225 Bingo.
- 226 Riveting.
- 227 So, do you know what it is?
- 228 Of course I know what it is.
- 229 It's a silicon dioxide crystal, otherwise known as quartz.
- 230 Are you sure?
- 231 Am I sure?
- 232 Is basalt a mafic extrusive igneous rock formed by the rapid cooling of magnesium and iron-rich lava?
- 233 Yeah, I'm sure.
- 234 Okay, so it's quartz.
- 235 That's got to mean something.

- 236 What do we know about quartz?
- 237 I'll Google it.
- 238 Or you can ask me, the geologist who won the MacArthur Genius Grant.
- 239 Got it!
- 240 Quartz, from the German "quarz" which sounds the same, but is spelled without a "T".
- 241 Interesting.
- 242 No "T".
- 243 What is not "T"?
- 244 Coffee!
- 245 The coffee shop where we first met!
- 246 All right, let's go.
- 247 Sorry.
- 248 I think I just had an adrenaline rush from having visitors.
- 249 Hey, Raj, will you, um, smell something for me?
- 250 Uh, that depends.
- 251 Actually, it doesn't depend.
- 252 Just no.
- 253 I'm trying out some new colognes for my date with Denise.
- 254 Oh, and you just came over here to rub it in my face that you have a date?
- 255 No.
- 256 I came over here because I need advice, and you've gone out with more women than anybody I know.
- 257 Huh.
- 258 I guess you're right.
- 259 Sheldon's the smart one, Howard's the funny one, and apparently, I'm the ladies' man.
- 260 Which one's Leonard?
- 261 Oh, yeah, right.
- 262 I guess Leonard's the forget table one.
- 263 Okay, let's have a whiff.
- 264 Oh.
- 265 (sniffs)
- 266 Hmm.
- 267 Smells like Paco Rabanne.
- 268 Ooh, you're good.
- 269 I bought it at a swap meet.
- 270 It's actually called "Smells Like Paco Rabanne." It's great.
- 271 She's gonna love it.
- 272 I hope so.
- 273 I really like Denise, and I don't want to screw this up.
- 274 Hey, relax.
- 275 Trust your instincts.
- 276 That's what I do.
- 277 And that works for you?
- 278 Actually...

- 279 no.
- 280 I've made a mess of my life, and I'm...
- 281 I'm all alone.
- 282 Okay, I think it'd be best for both of us if I pretend to get a phone call and just walk away.
- 283 Yeah, that would be best.
- 284 Hello.
- 285 This is Stuart.
- 286 (whispering): Sorry.
- 287 I got to take this.
- 288 Uh, why, yes, I'd love to take a survey.
- 289 Okay, this is where we first met.
- 290 There's got to be a clue here somewhere.
- 291 (gasps)
- 292 We sat at that table.
- 293 Excuse me.
- 294 I'm sorry.
- 295 We're on a scavenger hunt.
- 296 Just pretend we're not here.
- 297 Oh, I found something!
- 298 (shrieks)
- 299 It's gum.
- 300 Maybe they left it behind the counter.
- 301 I met my wife here, and we sat at this very table, so if you play your cards right, in eight years, you could marry this woman.
- 302 That's my sister.
- 303 Well, don't tell people.
- 304 That's not okay.
- 305 Sheldon, look, I asked the barista if anyone left anything for us, and she said to look in this lost and found box.
- 306 But why would it be in the lost and found box?
- 307 Because we were lost, and then we found each other.
- 308 It makes perfect sense.
- 309 Oh.
- 310 And look at this.
- 311 A locket.
- 312 And that stone in front- I bet it's quartz.
- 313 This must be it.
- 314 This must be the actual gift.
- 315 Open it up.
- 316 What's inside?
- 317 Nothing.
- 318 It's empty.
- 319 Of course.
- 320 Our life together is just starting, and they want us to fill it with our memories.

- 321 This might be the best wedding gift ever.
- 322 (gasps)
- 323 They also left us a pair of sunglasses because our future's so bright!
- 324 They thought of everything!
- 325 Oh.
- 326 Look what Halley drew.
- 327 Yeah, she made it at daycare.
- 328 It's pretty good, huh?
- 329 Is it?
- 330 Wow.
- 331 Gentile moms are tough.
- 332 (knocking on door)
- 333 STUART: Guys, I need to show you something, but you have to promise not to make fun of me.
- 334 Of course.
- 335 Whoa.
- 336 Yeah.
- 337 I was worried about the date so I got my hair colored to make me feel a little more confident, but that just made me look paler, so I-I got a spray tan.
- 338 Have you tried showering, seeing if you could scrub it off?
- 339 I did.
- 340 You're gonna need some new towels.
- 341 And a bathmat.
- 342 And a toilet seat.
- 343 I'm picking her up in an hour.
- 344 What am I gonna do?!
- 345 Don't you mean what are you gonna "Oompa Loompa doompety do"?
- 346 You said you weren't gonna make any jokes.
- 347 I'm sorry.
- 348 I'll stop.
- 349 (mouthing)
- 350 (giggles)
- 351 Look, it's only a spray tan.
- 352 It'll fade in a couple days.
- 353 Why don't you cancel the date and reschedule?
- 354 Oh, but I was really looking forward to tonight.
- 355 You know what?
- 356 Then go.
- 357 Tell her what happened.
- 358 - Maybe she'll be flattered.
- 359 WOLOWITZ: And if not, swing by the chocolate factory and see if they're hiring.
- 360 That wasn't a joke.
- 361 That was a legitimate suggestion.
- 362 (Skype ringing)
- 363 DR.

- 364 KOOTHRAPPALI: Hello?
- 365 Hey, Dad.
- 366 Rajesh.
- 367 What a nice surprise, calling me on my birthday.
- 368 Yes
- 369 That's why I'm calling.
- 370 And-and what better gift to give you than the gift of marrying an Indian woman, just like you've always wanted.
- 371 My goodness, Rajesh, this is exciting news.
- 372 Who is she?
- 373 You tell me.
- 374 What?
- 375 I want you to arrange a marriage for me.
- 376 I'm just so tired of being single, and I'm finally just...
- 377 I'm-I'm ready to settle down.
- 378 I can't just call up some girl's dad and make her marry you.
- 379 It's-it's not anymore.
- 380 I know that, but I can't do this on my own.
- 381 I need your help.
- 382 (sighs)
- 383 Well, then, I'm going to need your help, too.
- 384 If I'm going to find a woman to set you up with, you're going to need to
- stop Instagramming pictures of you and your dog wearing matching sweaters.
- 385 Fine, if that's what it takes to show you that I'm serious.
- 386 Uh, quick question.
- 387 Do you mean just Instagram, or all my social...?
- 388 All of them!
- 389 Okay, deal.
- 390 All right.
- 391 Let me ask you a question.
- 392 What do you think of this woman?
- 393 Oh.
- 394 Oh, my God, she's beautiful.
- 395 Is that who you're going to set me up with?
- 396 No!
- 397 That's who I'm dating.
- 398 But maybe she has an older sister.
- 399 So we put a little picture of me and a little picture of Sheldon in it.
- 400 In-in the locket?
- 401 Yes.
- 402 That was in a lost and found box?
- 403 Exactly.
- 404 Where we hid it?
- 405 So really, you gave us three amazing gifts.
- 406 You gave the locket, the adventure and the realization that Amy and I can do anything as long as we work together.

- 407 - We wrote you a special thank you note.
- 408 - Oh.
- 409 Are those words?
- 410 No.
- 411 It's a secret code that you two get to figure out together.
- 412 Hint: it's based on Sanskrit, but not the Sanskrit you're thinking of.
- 413 (laughs)
- 414 And best of all, you can't use the Internet to cheat.
- 415 Because we locked you out of your Wi-Fi, and the answer to this is your new password.
- 416 I'm no longer happy.
- 417 Hey, guys.
- 418 Great news.
- 419 I'm getting married.
- 420 - Huh?
- 421 - What?
- 422 - No.
- 423 Well, I-I haven't met her yet, but her name is Anu.
- 424 My father says she comes from a good family.
- 425 She's in her s.
- 426 She works in hospitality management.
- 427 So, as long as I can get through six to ten dates without revealing my true
- self... ...this is happening.
- 428 I know just what we're giving them for a wedding gift.
- 429 Oh.
- 430 Oh, my God.
- 431 Yeah.
- 432 I wanted to look my best for our date, and I made a series of bad decisions...  $\ldots$
- 433 one of which is hidden by my pants.
- 434 Wow.
- 435 (laughs)
- 436 Do you still want to go out with me?
- 437 Absolutely.
- 438 Hey, maybe we can go find Nemo together.
- 439 That's a good one.
- 440 (clears throat)
- 441 Do your other crayon friends know you're out?
- 442 Are you just gonna make fun of me all night?
- 443 - Probably.
- 444 - Great.
- 445 So what are we thinking, Chinese?
- 446 Yeah, I'm in the mood for orange chicken.

### 4.3 Episode 03: The Procreation Calculation

- 1 So, Penny, we were talking to our neighbors, and they're thinking of moving and selling their house.
- 2 Really?
- 3 Why?
- 4 Something about babies crying and keeping them up all night; it's not important.
- 5 You guys should totally take a look at it.
- 6 (laughs)
- 7 Then we could be neighbors.
- 8 Hev.
- 9 Wait a minute, what about us?
- 10 I mean, we're married now.
- 11 Maybe we want to buy the house next door.
- 12 Well, Amy, we can't move.
- 13 I'd have to change all the tags in my underwear.
- 14 You can buy new ones.
- 15 What- new house, new underwear.
- 16 What am I, in the Witness Protection Program?
- 17 Okay.
- 18 Guys, so what do you think?
- 19 Well, I don't know, w-we're pretty happy here.
- 20 Yeah.
- 21 Plus, if we moved, we'd probably just get a loft downtown.
- 22 Really?
- 23 I always figured we'd get a place with a yard.
- 24 Oh, sure, yeah, that makes sense, so you could shoot hoops and mow the lawn?
- 25 How are you two married?
- 26 You were there.
- 27 I wore her down.
- 28 He did.
- 29 You guys should've talked about all this stuff while you were dating.
- 30 I mean, me and Anu already know so much about each other.
- 31 Wait, I forget, is Anu your waxer?
- 32 Uh, no, that's Annette.
- 33 Anu is the woman my father fixed me up with.
- 34 We're going on our first date tomorrow.
- 35 Which reminds me, I need to see Annette.
- 36 You're really letting your father pick out a wife?
- 37 Why not?
- 38 Arranged marriages have been working for thousands of years.
- 39 Anu and I come from similar backgrounds, our families get along and we each filled out questionnaires, so we know we're not wasting our time with someone who's not compatible.

- 40 Oh, that sounds so dry and clinical.
- 41 You lucky duck.
- 42 I just don't think you can truly know someone until you've spent a lot of time with them.
- 43 Really?
- 44 What's Penny's dream vacation?
- 45 Uh, Malibu beach house.
- 46 That's Barbie's dream vacation.
- 47 Maybe you should send us that questionnaire.
- 48 Our whole universe was in a hot, dense state Then nearly billion years ago expansion started...
- 49 Wait!
- 50 The Earth began to cool The autotrophs began to drool, Neanderthals developed tools We built the Wall We built the pyramids Math, Science, History, unraveling the mystery That all started with a big bang Bang! Enjoying your book?
- 51 So much.
- 52 Why do you keep poking at it?
- 53 Fine, I'm shopping on my phone.
- 54 You're the one who said you wanted to read more.
- 55 Yes, I also tell people I only feed the kids organic.
- 56 It's just stuff you say.
- 57 (door closes)
- 58 - Hey.
- 59 - Ah, hello.
- 60 Hey.
- 61 How was your night?
- 62 Ah, it was great.
- 63 We went to an improv show.
- 64 Yeah
- 65 They asked the audience to suggest a word, and they used Stuart's.
- 66 Oh, cool, what was it?
- 67 Coconuts.
- 68 It was such a good one.
- 69 (chuckles)
- 70 It just came to me.
- 71 Uh, what are you guys up to?
- 72 Reading.
- 73 Oh, nice, I wish I read more.
- 74 Well, if it's important, you find the time.
- 75 You want to see my room?
- 76 - Yeah.
- 77 - Cool.
- 78 (quietly): How do you feel about this?
- 79 That she can clearly do better, but that's not for me to say.
- 80 No, with them in his room, doing stuff.

- 81 Oh, come on, we're sitting right out here.
- 82 They're not gonna do anything.
- 83 Smooth operator Smooth operator... I'd like to change my answer.
- 84 Smooth operator. Wow, you really are good at this.
- 85 Well, I've spent a lot of time painting DD miniatures.
- 86 I know that makes you want to rip my shirt off, but wait until your nails are dry.
- 87 (phone chimes)
- 88 Oh, it's Raj.
- 89 He sent us that Indian marriage questionnaire.
- 90 - Ooh, read one.
- 91 - Okay.
- 92 "How religious are you?" That's easy, both of us: not at all.
- 93 No, I wouldn't say not at all.
- 94 I mean, I am pretty spiritual.
- 95 I do go to yoga, so...
- 96 Great, so your church is Our Lady of the Stretchy Pants.
- 97 Next question.
- 98 Uh, "how close are you with your family?" Pretty close.
- 99 I'm gonna say not too close, but I'm hoping to get farther.
- 100 How do you feel about children?
- 101 Um, they're okay, I guess.
- 102 I mean, if I saw one, I wouldn't throw a rock at it.
- 103 W-Why would you throw a rock at a child?
- 104 (chuckles): I just said I wouldn't.
- 105 The question is would you like to have kids.
- 106 So, yeah, we want kids.
- 107 Yeah- someday.
- 108 Right, like, in the next five years.
- 109 Sure, uh, next question.
- 110 "How are you with pets?" Well, I did take care of Sheldon for years, and he only bit me twice.
- 111 I have to say, uh, after reading your questionnaire, I feel like I already know you.
- 112 Totally.
- 113 Me, too.
- 114 Excuse me.
- 115 Can we please get sparkling instead of tap, some clean silverware and find out what they're having?
- 116 That looks delicious.
- 117 Yes, ma'am.
- 118 Thank you.
- 119 So, you're an astrophysicist.
- 120 Yes, ma'am.
- 121 I-I mean, uh, just yes.
- 122 U-Unless you prefer "ma'am." I don't.

- 123 Good, because you don't seem like a ma'am.
- 124 You seem more like a sweet thang.
- 125 Wow.
- 126 You are not good at this.
- 127 (chuckles)
- 128 Well, if I was good at this, I wouldn't need to be fixed up by my father.
- 129 I never thought I'd let my family set me up, either, but I'm , I'd like to have kids and it's hard to date because I work so much.
- 130 Oh, yes, uh, you're a concierge.
- 131 For now.
- 132 I plan to be managing a hotel in the next five years.
- 133 Four, if I can get the current manager out of the way.
- 134 He's a smoker, so fingers crossed.
- 135 I-I get it.
- 136 You know, um, I used to have a long list of what I wanted from a wife.
- 137 Uh, eyes like Sandra Bullock, hair like Sandra Bullock, and the bravery of Ryan Stone.
- 138 That's Sandra Bullock's character in Gravity. But now, I-I just want someone nice.
- 139 I think I'm nice.
- 140 Are you nice?
- 141 Oh, I'm definitely nice.
- 142 Every time a girl breaks up with me she always starts with, "You're a nice guy." Look, your whole sweet, insecure thing is cute, but honestly, I have no time for that.
- 143 If you're not serious about this, you need to walk away now.
- 144 I-I am serious.
- 145 Good.
- 146 Okay.
- 147 (chuckles)
- 148 O-Okay, w-what does this mean?
- 149 I think it means I might be the future Mrs....
- 150 Koothrappali.
- 151 How would you feel if I didn't change my name?
- 152 A little hurt, but you wouldn't know, because I'm too nice.
- 153 Hey, want to get lunch?
- 154 I can't.
- 155 Halley and Michael were up all night, and I'm way behind here.
- 156 - Oh, no, are they sick?
- 157 - No.
- 158 They were just laughing and playing like a couple of jerks.
- 159 Boy, they're cute, but they ruin everything.
- 160 I get that.
- 161 You know, I've been thinking lately that maybe I don't want kids.
- 162 Are you crazy?
- 163 Of course you want them.

- 164 It's amazing.
- 165 You just said they ruin everything.
- 166 I'm allowed to.
- 167 It's their fault I pee when I laugh.
- 168 Hang on, why is it crazy to say I might not want kids?
- 169 Oh, it's not crazy.
- 170 It's just wrong.
- 171 You only think you don't want kids, but once you have kids, you'll realize that you did want them.
- 172 Or I don't want them, so I won't have them, so back off.
- 173 Aw, you sound just like me before I became a mom and learned what the meaning of love was.
- 174 Wow, I cannot believe how condescending you're being.
- 175 Look, I know it's scary, but you're gonna be a great mom.
- 176 I know I'd be great, but the point is I don't want to be one.
- 177 Maybe you wouldn't be great.
- 178 You kind of got a temper.
- 179 You know, not everyone needs to have kids to be fulfilled.
- 180 You're right, you've got Leonard.
- 181 What more do you need?
- 182 - Hey, guys.
- 183 - Hello.
- 184 - Hey.
- 185 How was your date?
- 186 Ah, let me answer that with a question.
- 187 How would you like to be my best man?
- 188 (laughs softly)
- 189 Wait, you're not seriously marrying a woman you've met once.
- 190 Why not?
- 191 She's nice, I'm nice.
- 192 We're just as likely to be happy as any other two people.
- 193 Maybe even happier.
- 194 Sorry, that was not a swipe at you.
- 195 I didn't think it was.
- 196 Yeah, good, 'cause it was not.
- 197 SHELDON: Well, I, for one, applaud Raj's decision to forgo emotional attachment and find a life partner by bowing to a , -year-old authoritarian tradition.
- 198 What are you talking about?
- 199 You married a woman you're in love with.
- 200 I can't believe you're throwing that back in my face.
- 201 Why can't you just be happy for me?
- 202 Because you're being dumb.
- 203 You don't know anything about her.
- 204 W-Well, how come you all get to be married and I have to stay single?
- 205 I think that's a question for a licensed professional.

- 206 You know what, you're not just insulting me.
- 207 Okay?
- 208 You're insulting my family, my culture and my future bride, Anu, a vegetarian with a master's degree from Cornell whose favorite fruit is pineapple.
- 209 Now, I'm not sure if this helps, but did you know that pineapples were once so rare that King Charles posed for a portrait with one?
- 210 How does that help?
- 211 Oh, it helped me.
- 212 I've been trying to slide that into a conversation for years.
- 213 (door closes)
- 214 Hey, honey, how was your day?
- 215 (groans)
- 216 What's wrong?
- 217 Raj is talking about marrying this woman he just met.
- 218 I told him it was dumb, and now he's mad at me.
- 219 The same thing happened to me.
- 220 Penny said she didn't want kids, and I told her she was being silly, and she accused me of being condescending.
- 221 Which is crazy, because if I wanted to be condescending, I would've said, "Ooh, 'condescending.' That's such a big word." Why won't our friends just listen to us?
- 222 We obviously know what we're talking about.
- 223 I know.
- 224 We're married, we have great kids, great jobs, this great house.
- 225 Smooth operator Smooth operator... Smooth operator Smooth operator...
- 226 Coast to coast, L.A. to Chicago Western male. Hey, Leonard, remember yesterday when we were talking about having kids someday?
- 227 Yeah?
- 228 Well, what if it wasn't someday.
- 229 Oh, my God.
- 230 Oh, my God, are you pregnant?
- 231 No.
- 232 No.
- 233 No, no.
- 234 No, no, no, no, no, no, no, no.
- 235 So?
- 236 - No.
- 237 - Oh.
- 238 What I meant was, what if, what if we didn't have kids?
- 239 Ever?
- 240 I mean, our life is so great.
- 241 Why would we want to change that?
- 242 Sure.
- 243 Sure.
- 244 Sure.
- 245 (stammers)

- 246 And I guess it would be hard raising kids in the-the loft you never told me you wanted.
- 247 Well, wait, don't be mad.
- 248 I'm not mad.
- 249 Why would I be mad?
- 250 There's nothing to be mad at!
- 251 You have to-to turn the thing.
- 252 I knew that!
- 253 AMY: Hi, Leonard.
- 254 - I'm not mad!
- 255 You're awfully quiet.
- 256 - Sorry.
- 257 - No, I like it.
- 258 Got a lot on my mind.
- 259 Would you like to talk about it?
- 260 Not really.
- 261 Grape Nuts for breakfast, quiet car ride, things are really breaking my way today.
- 262 It's just Penny hit me with some pretty big news and it's a lot to process.
- 263 And you'd like to do that quietly.
- 264 I respect that.
- 265 She said she doesn't want to have kids.
- 266 Maybe she didn't mean it, like when you said you didn't want to talk about this.
- 267 Forget it.
- 268 Do you want to have children?
- 269 Well, I always assumed we would and now I find out, you know, I might be the last of the Hofstadter line.
- 270 Doesn't your brother have children?
- 271 And your sister.
- 272 She kept the Hofstadter name and has five healthy boys: Neil, Jeffrey, Scott, William and baby Richard.
- 273 I'm going back to being quiet.
- 274 Sweet.
- 275 Hey.
- 276 Mind if I sit?
- 277 Did you just come here to tell me I'm making a gigantic mistake by having this blueberry muffin and I should've got a cinnamon roll like you did?
- 278 No.
- 279 Good, 'cause I'm happy with my choice.
- 280 Although that cinnamon roll does smell good if you're open to halfsies.
- 281 - Fine.
- 282 - Thanks.
- 283 Look, I'm sorry about yesterday.
- 284 You're right.
- 285 I-I was being...

- 286 Oh, my God, that is so good!
- 287 I can wait.
- 288 No...
- 289 (clears throat)
- 290 Sorry.
- 291 Go on.
- 292 I've known you a long time.
- 293 You believe in romance more than any person I've ever met and it's hard to see you give up on that.
- 294 But if you really think marrying this woman is gonna make you happy, then you have my complete and total support.
- 295 I will be with you every step of the way.
- 296 Thanks, Howard.
- 297 That means a lot.
- 298 So, hey, is this wedding gonna be in India?
- 299 Ah, maybe.
- 300 Ugh.
- 301 What the hell, Penny?!
- 302 I'm gonna need more than that.
- 303 You're not having kids?
- 304 How could you do this to me?
- 305 How is it any of your business?
- 306 Because your kids were supposed to be friends with my kids.
- 307 Who's gonna be friends with them now?
- 308 They will find other friends.
- 309 Oh, sure, 'cause Sheldon's DNA plus my DNA equals a kid who knows how to make friends.
- 310 Grow up!
- 311 This is between me and Leonard.
- 312 Screw Leonard!
- 313 We were supposed to get pregnant together.
- 314 We were gonna be barf buddies.
- 315 We were supposed to massage each other's perineums with vitamin E.
- 316 I'm about to be your barf buddy right now.
- 317 Listen, when you have kids, I'm still gonna be there.
- 318 I'm gonna be their fun Aunt Penny who gives them candy, and teaches them swear words and tells them stories about what a weirdo their mother is.
- 319 I guess I could live with that.
- 320 What is gonna be hard is letting go of the dream of us breastfeeding each other's babies.
- 321 And it's gonna be hard to forget you said that.
- 322 No.
- 323 What would you say if I told you I was totally naked under this robe?
- 324 I would say that sounds pretty good.
- 325 Really?
- 326 Well, I did not see that coming.

- 327 One second.
- 328 Smooth operator Oh, come on.
- 329 Wait.
- 330 Stay in the mood.
- 331 I'll put on our own music and drown them out.
- 332 You want a hot body? What's this?
- 333 It's from my workout mix.
- 334 It's what I listen to when I'm firming up my glutes.
- 335 (Neil crying)
- 336 Can you get him?
- 337 Sure.
- 338 - Hey, Howard.
- 339 - Yeah?
- 340 It looks like you could crack a walnut in those glutes.
- 341 I can't.
- 342 I tried.
- 343 Hey.
- 344 - Hey.
- 345 - I-I made you dinner.
- 346 Your favorite: In-N-Out Burger out of the wrapper on a plate.
- 347 Thank you, but you don't have to do this.
- 348 I'm fine.
- 349 I-I know it's not a baby, but it does leak when you pick it up.
- 350 Really?
- 351 We're joking about this now?
- 352 No, look, I'm sorry.
- 353 I didn't mean to just drop all of this on you.
- 354 I-It just took me by surprise.
- 355 I-I always imagined having kids.
- 356 I know you did.
- 357 But I've imagined having a lot of things that I'm never gonna get: a Nobel Prize, a working Batmobile.
- 358 But I also have a lot that I never thought I'd have...
- 359 like you.
- 360 Are you sure that's enough?
- 361 Yeah.
- 362 - You're really okay with this?
- 363 - I am.
- 364 (ringtone plays)
- 365 Hey, Daddy.
- 366 What's this Leonard says about you not wanting to give me grandbabies?
- 367 He might feel differently.
- 368 Bye.
- 369 I told my parents our first date went well and they got very excited.
- 370 Oh, tell me about it.
- 371 My parents were so thrilled, they actually spoke to each other.

- 372 So that was a disaster.
- 373 Cheers.
- 374 (clears throat)
- 375 Okav.
- 376 I guess if we're going forward with this wedding, we should talk about the next steps.
- 377 Oh, like themes and flowers?
- 378 Actually, finances and taxes.
- 379 Oh.
- 380 We can't use that.
- 381 That was the theme of my parents' divorce.
- 382 I know that money can be a source of friction in a new marriage and I want us to avoid that.
- 383 Of course.
- 384 Yeah, right.
- 385 That's s-smart.
- 386 So, my accountant feels strongly that we should file separately the first year and then we can re-evaluate based on our joint assets.
- 387 You okay?
- 388 No, I can't do this.
- 389 Why not?
- 390 Th-There's something you may not know about me 'cause, you know, we've only met once, but...
- 391 I'm a hopeless romantic.
- 392 And you seem great and I do want to get married.
- 393 I-I do want to settle down, but...
- 394 this isn't the story that I want to tell my grandkids.
- 395 I understand.
- 396 I'm so sorry if I wasted your time.
- 397 Raj.
- 398 I know we don't know each other very well, but you seem like you'd make a good father and you're tall enough so I can wear heels and...
- 399 I think that's something worth fighting for.
- 400 Will you marry me?
- 401 (stammers)
- 402 Oh, my God, oh, my God.
- 403 Yes, of course, of course I'll marry you!
- 404 - If you'd like to kiss me you can.
- 405 - Oh, great.
- 406 I should warn you I have a tongue piercing.
- 407 Oh, you're not that nice.
- 408 (both laugh)
- 409 Are you gonna tell me where we're going?
- 410 Because if it has the words "farmers" or "market" in it, I don't want to  $g_0$ .
- 411 You were talking about all the things you thought you would never have,

- so I thought I would get you one.
- 412 Oh, my God.
- 413 You bought me the Batmobile?!
- 414 No.
- 415 No.
- 416 No, no, no, no, no.
- 417 I rented you the Batmobile for the day.
- 418 This is amazing.
- 419 Thank you.
- 420 (laughs)
- 421 B-Be careful.
- 422 I-I did not get the insurance.
- 423 (engine starts, revs)
- 424 (chuckles)
- 425 Come on, Robin!

#### 4.4 Episode 04: The Tam Turbulence

- 1 Hey, whatcha doing?
- 2 Improving our wedding photos.
- 3 Oh, that's nice.
- 4 Wait, I'm still in them, right?
- 5 Of course.
- 6 And not only you.
- 7 I've added some guests who couldn't be there.
- 8 Who's that next to my father?
- 9 The Wright brothers.
- 10 And why are they at our wedding?
- 11 Orville, because I admire him; Wilbur, because he was Orville's plus-one.
- 12 (computer chimes)
- 13 Oh.
- 14 You got an e-mail from someone named Tam.
- 15 Tam?
- 16 What does he want?
- 17 Uh...
- 18 looks like he's coming to give his son a tour of Caltech.
- 19 He's hoping you guys can meet up.
- 20 (scoffs)
- 21 He would like that, wouldn't he?
- 22 Well, that is the gist of the e-mail.
- 23 Who's Tam?
- 24 He was my best friend in the whole world growing up.
- 25 Really?
- 26 Why have I never heard you mention him before?
- 27 Oh, of course I have.
- 28 I'm sure I've mentioned him, like, five times this week.

- 29 I don't think you have.
- 30 Tam!
- 31 Tam!
- 32 Tam!
- 33 Tam!
- 34 Tam!
- 35 There, it's only Thursday.
- 36 I didn't just drink the crazy milk, I bought the crazy cow.
- 37 Our whole universe was in a hot, dense state Then nearly billion years ago expansion started...
- 38 Wait!
- 39 The Earth began to cool The autotrophs began to drool, Neanderthals developed tools We built the Wall We built the pyramids Math, Science, History, unraveling the mystery That all started with a big bang Bang! So, are you actually engaged to this woman you just met?
- 40 Yeah.
- 41 Tell us the truth.
- 42 Did she get you pregnant?
- 43 Very funny.
- 44 Guys, I need your help, okay?
- 45 I'm trying to buy her engagement ring.
- 46 What do you think of this?
- 47 Do you think she'll like this one?
- 48 Well, it's hard to say, not knowing much about her.
- 49 Does she have fingers?
- 50 Yes, she has ten fingers and ten toes.
- 51 Probably.
- 52 I'll get back to you after I see her in sandals.
- 53 Hey, did you guys know that Sheldon had a best friend growing up named  $^{\mathrm{Tam}?}$
- 54 Was that the imaginary talking koala?
- 55 No.
- 56 He's a real person who apparently betrayed him.
- 57 Yeah, so did the koala.
- 58 I tried to ask him about it, and he invoked section three, article five of the marriage contract: beeswax comma none of your.
- 59 I can't pry.
- 60 I mean, I have to respect his wishes.
- 61 Wow.
- 62 I wonder what that guy could've done to make Sheldon not talk to him for years.
- 63 I wonder if it'd work a second time.
- 64 (video game sound effects)
- 65 (knocking)
- 66 I'm pumping!
- 67 It's Penny.

- 68 Oh.
- 69 Come in.
- 70 I thought you were pumping.
- 71 I thought you were my boss.
- 72 Okay, listen, I'm really worried about this whole Raj thing.
- 73 I know, he's so desperate to get married, which is weird, because I can't imagine we make it look that great.
- 74 I know, right?
- 75 You know, if this woman's gonna be around, I think we should check her out a little.
- 76 I looked online.
- 77 She doesn't have an Instagram, which means she's either or something's wrong with her.
- 78 Well, I could ask my dad.
- 79 Maybe he can get some of his old cop buddies to do a background check on her
- 80 - Would he do that?
- 81 - Of course.
- 82 He's a retired cop who plays by his own rules.
- 83 Hi, Daddy.
- 84 No, everything's good.
- 85 I just have a favor to ask.
- 86 Yeah, so, my friend Raj is marrying this woman that he barely knows, and I wanted to see if you could use your connections to dig up any dirt on her.
- 87 Uh-huh.
- 88 Sure.
- 89 Okay.
- 90 Love you.
- 91 Is he in?
- 92 Absolutely not.
- 93 He won't do it.
- 94 It's totally illegal.
- 95 I thought you said he played by his own rules.
- 96 He does, but apparently, they're very similar to the actual rules.
- 97 I still can't believe Sheldon had a best friend we've never heard about.
- 98 Ooh, somebody's jealous. I'm not jealous.
- 99 Leonard, this is a safe space—it's okay to be vulnerable.
- 100 All I'm saying is you know the timing of a fellow's bowel movements, you don't think there's a lot left to discover.
- 101 I wonder what Tam could have done.
- 102 Hmm.
- 103 Well, if Sheldon doesn't want to talk about it, it's got to be pretty upsetting.
- 104 I have his brother George's number—he might know.
- 105 Really?
- 106 You have George's number?

- 107 So so jealous. Yeah, sure, I remember Tam, Sheldon's little Vietnam buddv.
- 108 The two of them were always running around together.
- 109 So, what happened?
- 110 What do you mean?
- 111 Well, I mean, Sheldon never talks about him.
- 112 They haven't spoken in years.
- 113 He wasn't at the wedding.
- 114 He wasn't?
- 115 All right, well, this is embarrassing, 'cause I had a long conversation with someone who I thought was Tam.
- 116 Wait, wait, so you don't know what their fight was about?
- 117 I wish I could help you, boys.
- 118 But, you know, Sheldon used to keep an enemies list when he was a kid.
- 119 Oh, he still does.
- 120 Really?
- 121 I figured that went the same way as his bathroom schedule.
- 122 If you mean digitized, annotated and put online, it did.
- 123 Maybe that'll tell you something.
- 124 Hey, while you're looking at it, if I'm still on there for peeing in his shampoo bottle...
- 125 Eh, you know what, just leave it.
- 126 - (laughs)
- 127 See ya, boys.
- 128 - Bye.
- 129 - Bye.
- 130 - All right, got his enemies list.
- 131 Ooh, he updated the interface.
- 132 You can search by first name, last name or length of grudge.
- 133 Is Tam on it?
- 134 Let's see.
- 135 Yep.
- 136 Right here.
- 137 Tam Nguyen.
- 138 - Oh, great.
- 139 What did he do?
- 140 - Hold on.
- 141 I have to agree to the terms of service.
- 142 No, I'm not a robot.
- 143 Okay.
- 144 "Which of these are plants?" And we're in.
- 145 Great.
- 146 What-what does it say?
- 147 Well...
- 148 "He knows what he did.": Oh, come on.
- 149 Wait.

- 150 Wait, wait, wait, if Tam knows what he did, we can just ask him.
- 151 He's gonna be on campus tomorrow showing his son around.
- 152 Won't that make Sheldon mad?
- 153 Everything makes Sheldon mad.
- 154 - Yeah.
- 155 - Look at his list.
- 156 Jim Henson for, quote, "putting a terrifying, giant yellow bird on television and in my nightmares." Oh, this is so nice.
- 157 - Mm-hmm.
- 158 Maybe instead of introducing ourselves to Anu, we could just get a room, order some food and take a nap.
- 159 Yeah, I've fallen for that line before.
- 160 It never leads to napping.
- 161 That must be her.
- 162 Oh.
- 163 She's cute.
- 164 Okay, I got you two seats to Hamilton tonight.
- 165 Your tickets will be at the concierge desk.
- 166 Of course.
- 167 My pleasure.
- 168 May I help you?
- 169 Yes, I'm here to pick up our Hamilton tickets.
- 170 Stop.
- 171 Hi.
- 172 We're Raj's friends.
- 173 I'm Penny.
- 174 This is Bernadette.
- 175 We just came by to introduce ourselves.
- 176 So you came to check me out?
- 177 She's smart.
- 178 I like her.
- 179 We just want to see if we could take you to dinner and get to know you a bit.
- 180 That sounds nice.
- 181 How about tonight after work?
- 182 Maybe we can go to Bavel.
- 183 Oh, I wish.
- 184 That place is impossible to get into.
- 185 Oh, please.
- 186 Getting into impossible places is my superpower.
- 187 BERNADETTE: Me, too.
- 188 I can fit my whole body in our dryer.
- 189 All set.
- 190 : .
- 191 Wow.
- 192 Okay, well, we'll see you tonight.

- 193 - See you then.
- 194 - Okay.
- 195 Bye.
- 196 She can get into any restaurant, but the best husband she can find is Raj?
- 197 Not Tam.
- 198 Not Tam.
- 199 Not Tam.
- 200 Got him.
- 201 - Tam Nguyen?
- 202 - Yeah.
- 203 Yes.
- 204 Is my son done with his tour?
- 205 No idea.
- 206 We're actually friends of Sheldon Cooper.
- 207 Oh, I've been trying to get in touch with him, but I never heard back.
- 208 Is he okay?
- 209 Well, if you mean physically, yes.
- 210 If you mean every other way, no.
- 211 - So, is he here?
- 212 LEONARD: Uh, no.
- 213 He-he didn't come.
- 214 He's, uh...
- 215 he's still pretty upset about...
- 216 you know.
- 217 I know what?
- 218 Come on, you-you must know.
- 219 No, we haven't talked in, like, years.
- 220 Right.
- 221 Because...
- 222 you know.
- 223 I don't think he knows.
- 224 What are you guys talking about?
- 225 Why did you and Sheldon stop being friends?
- 226 What did you do?
- 227 - And don't worry, even though we just met you, we think you're right and he's wrong.
- 228 I didn't do anything.
- 229 He moved to California, and we just drifted apart.
- 230 Oh, come on, there's got to be something...
- 231 Oh, hey, Sheldon.
- 232 - We just met...
- 233 - Sheldon!
- 234 So good to see you!
- 235  $\mathrm{Tam}.$
- 236 It's been a long time.
- 237 Mm, not long enough to erase the sting of betrayal.

- 238 How did I betray you?
- 239 You know what you did.
- 240 Uh, let me catch you up.
- 241 He does not.
- 242 When I moved to California, what did you do?
- 243 I stayed in Texas.
- 244 Do you believe this guy?!
- 245 So, he was your best friend growing up?
- 246 Yes.
- 247 Were there no other kids in Texas?
- 248 Hey.
- 249 What is going on with you?
- 250 I don't want to talk about it.
- 251 Well, I'm sure you have a perfectly stupid reason.
- 252 I don't do anything for a stupid reason.
- 253 Except, perhaps, Talk Like a Pirate Day, and I'd argue that's more whimsical than stupid.
- 254 You know, I was curious to find out what Tam had done wrong.
- 255 Why am I not surprised the answer is nothing?
- 256 So you're taking his side.
- 257 You scurvy dog.
- 258 You watch yourself.
- 259 There is room on my enemies list now that the cafeteria ladies finally told me what's in the chili.
- 260 By the way, don't eat the chili.
- 261 Wai-Wai-Wait, you know what?
- 262 Do.
- 263 Be careful, Sheldon.
- 264 I don't think you can afford to lose a second best friend.
- 265 I don't see anyone lining up to be your third.
- 266 D...
- 267 Wait.
- 268 "Snarky comebacks..." Oh, here we go.
- 269 "You have your entire life to be a jerk, why not take today off?" That was harsh, but he was asking for it.
- 270 This place is amazing.
- 271 I can't believe you got us in here.
- 272 Well, it's kind of my job.
- 273 Usually I get tipped for it, but I'll leave that up to you.
- 274 (giggles)
- 275 Look, I think that's LeBron over there.
- 276 James?
- 277 No, LeBron Kershenbaum.
- 278 So, what do you want to know?
- 279 Well, you seem like a smart, successful woman, why would you want to marry someone you just met?

- 280 Fair question.
- 281 In my s, I tried this the normal way.
- 282 You know, met a guy, fell in love, we moved in together.
- 283 I put him through culinary school, screenwriting classes, and finally dumped him when he wanted to become a midwife.
- 284 Then I realized, my parents are happy; they had an arranged marriage.
- 285 Why am I fighting this?
- 286 I dunno, I married for love and it turned out...
- 287 fine.
- 288 Oh, yeah, me, too.
- 289 AMY: Hi.
- 290 Howard, today is your lucky day.
- 291 Leonard's out, you're my new best friend.
- 292 Well, I'm not thrilled about it either, but here we are.
- 293 Okay, fine.
- 294 Is Bernadette there?
- 295 Sh...
- 296 No.
- 297 Just Stuart?
- 298 Let me call you back.
- 299 Let me guess.
- 300 This thing with Tam escalated, and now you're mad at Leonard and looking for a new best friend?
- 301 You know me so well.
- 302 It's too bad you can't be my best friend.
- 303 I can be.
- 304 You can't be my wife and my best friend.
- 305 Who would I complain about you to?
- 306 Just tell me what happened.
- 307 Leonard talked to Tam behind my back and took his side.
- 308 And after what he did to me.
- 309 Can you believe it?
- 310 No.
- 311 I'm-I'm shocked and outraged.
- 312 Now, tell me why I'm shocked and outraged.
- 313 Fine.
- 314 When I got accepted to grad school at Caltech, I was a fraid to move so far away from home.
- 315 So Tam said he'd move out here with me and be my roommate.
- 316 Then, over the summer, he got a girlfriend, even after reading all the pamphlets I gave him about social diseases.
- 317 Aw, I remember when you gave me those pamphlets.
- 318 Anyway, Tam stayed with her in Texas, and I had to move out here all by myself.
- 319 That must've been scary.
- 320 It was.

- 321 I was lonely, and I thought I'd never make a friend again.
- 322 And for a long time, I didn't.
- 323 But then you did.
- 324 And great friends.
- 325 If you think about it, if Tam had moved out here with you, who knows what your life would've been like.
- 326 Yes.
- 327 Uh, I'm Leonard Hofstadter.
- 328 I called you about the apartment.
- 329 You said...
- 330 Tell him to go away.
- 331 You already have a roommate.
- 332 New neighbor?
- 333 Oh, hi.
- 334 - Hi.
- 335 - Hi.
- 336 - Hi.
- 337 - Hi.
- 338 PENNY: Tam, look.
- 339 Sheldon's hugging me.
- 340 It's a Saturnalia miracle.
- 341 Sheldon, come here.
- 342 Bazinga.
- 343 No, my life would've still been great.
- 344 So what is the craziest request anyone's ever made?
- 345 Oh, you know, I can't really say.
- 346 Concierge-guest confidentiality.
- 347 Really, that's a thing?
- 348 (laughs)
- 349 No.
- 350 This one time, I had to go to Walmart at: a.m.
- 351 because Britney Spears needed to blow bubbles.
- 352 - Oh.
- 353 - That is so cool.
- 354 By the way, do not tell Raj that you met Britney Spears, because he will literally die.
- 355 We've been talking so much about me, tell me about Raj.
- 356 Okay, are you trying to get us drunk so we'll dish on our friend?
- 357 'Cause it's totally gonna work, what do you want to know?
- 358 What kind of guy is he?
- 359 He is great.
- 360 - So great.
- 361 - Mm-hmm.
- 362 How come he's still single?
- 363 - He's great.
- 364 - So great.

- 365 Yeah.
- 366 Come on.
- 367 There's really nothing to tell.
- 368 Raj is so much fun to hang out with.
- 369 He's like one of our girlfriends.
- 370 And I mean that in a good way.
- 371 But also a bad way.
- 372 Anything else?
- 373 - No.
- 374 - No.
- 375 I mean, h-he takes baths with his dog, but not in a weird way.
- 376 Or a normal way; they both wear swimsuits.
- 377 He also cries every time Hugh Jackman sings.
- 378 But not cute sniffles- full-on snot sobs.
- 379 But he is great.
- 380 - So great.
- 381 - Yeah.
- 382 (knocking)
- 383 Hello, Sheldon.
- 384 Hello Tam.
- 385 Thank you for coming.
- 386 I just want you to know that, um...
- 387 I forgive you.
- 388 I didn't do anything.
- 389 And yet, here I am, still being the bigger man.
- 390 Look, I was in love with Beth, and she made me happy.
- 391 Y...
- 392 Really?
- 393 Did she let you play with her train set?
- 394 In a manner of speaking.
- 395 Sheldon, I needed to stay in Texas.
- 396 And you needed to come here.
- 397 I knew you were gonna do amazing things, and meet amazing people who were gonna respect you, because you're brilliant.
- 398 And because they never had to fish you out of a dumpster.
- 399 Well, they have, but it was during my short-lived parkour phase.
- 400 I didn't mean to upset you.
- 401 And I want you to know I'm really proud of everything you've done.
- 402 Thank you.
- 403 It did work out for me.
- 404 And I'm sorry that things didn't work out for you.
- 405 They did work out for me.
- 406 Oh, Tam, you don't need to be brave on my account.
- 407 I'm not.
- 408 I have a great wife and amazing children.
- 409 I'm very happy.

- 410 Brave, brave Tam.
- 411 Sounds like Penny and Bernadette had fun last night.
- 412 I know.
- 413 Bernie came home pretty drunk.
- 414 She tried to sleep in the dryer.
- 415 Hello, you all remember Tam, my best friend from high school.
- 416 - Yeah.
- 417 - Of course.
- 418 - How's it going?
- 419 Sheldon's been showing me and my son around.
- 420 Now we know where all the clean bathrooms are.
- 421 Yep.
- 422 You just remember the mnemonic: if it's number one, the library's fun, if it's number two, the basement's for you.
- 423 I'm glad you guys made up.
- 424 Well, I realized my life turned out great, and it's silly to hold a grudge.
- 425 And I had no idea we were fighting, so it was easy.
- 426 Uh, don't worry, Leonard, you're still my California best friend.
- 427 Cool.
- 428 So, what do you want to do now?
- 429 Go to the train store, go to the comic book store?
- 430 Actually, I have to grab my son and head to the airport.
- 431 I was just about to call a cab.
- 432 Don't be silly, you don't have to call a cab.
- 433 You're my oldest friend.
- 434 Leonard will take you.
- 435 Right, Leonard?
- 436 Sure.
- 437 Shall we?
- 438 Eh, eh, eh, hold on.
- 439 I haven't seen Tam in years, give me a chance to say good-bye.
- 440 Bye.
- 441 Check it out—LeBron James posted a picture of me and him on Instagram.
- 442 I don't see you.
- 443 Look right behind him.
- 444 No.
- 445 Okay.
- 446 You see that table just past his left shoulder?
- 447 Now go back two more tables and over to the right.
- 448 All I see is a yellow smudge.
- 449 That's me!
- 450 (phone rings)
- 451 Oh, it's Raj.
- 452 Hey Raj, I'm here with Penny.
- 453 KOOTHRAPPALI: What the hell did you two say to Anu?
- 454 Uh...

- 455 whatever do you mean?
- 456 Why, why would you tell her I wear ladies' deodorant?
- 457 Uh, because you're a boy and it's really funny.
- 458 Oh, oh, okay.
- 459 Pardon me for having the confidence to smell daisy-fresh.
- 460 Just do me a favor and stay away from her.
- 461 Ugh, God, now I feel bad.
- 462 I know.
- 463 Maybe we should take her out again and do some damage control.
- 464 You know, that's a good idea.
- 465 Think she can get us into SoHo House?
- 466 I don't know, but we owe it to Raj to try.
- 467 Mm-hmm.

## 4.5 Episode 05: The Planetarium Collision

- 1 Recently, new moons were discovered orbiting Jupiter, bringing the total up to .
- 2 As a middle child myself, I'd like to extend my sympathies to moons two through .
- 3 Your grandpa will never learn your name.
- 4 I'd like to thank you for joining me on this journey (laughs)
- 5 through the stars.
- 6 If you enjoyed this lecture, please come back Thursday for the exact same one.
- 7 Do I look like I just woke up?
- 8 No
- 9 Great. I'm gonna go say hey to Raj.
- 10 What were you guys giggling about?
- 11 They were passing notes to each other.
- 12 Oh-ho, love notes?
- 13 If you love math.
- 14 And we do.
- 15 It's for our super-asymmetry theory.
- 16 Yeah, Amy and I have been having so much fun collaborating together.
- 17 Well, you know what they say, you never collaborate as much as your first year of marriage.
- 18 - Hey, great show. Thanks.
- 19 Oh, Howard, uh, this is Andrea.
- 20 She's the director of the planetarium.
- 21 Hi
- 22 Nice to meet you. I'm Howard Wolowitz.
- 23 Engineer, husband, father...
- 24 (chuckles)
- 25 ...astronaut.
- 26 Really?

- 27 You're an astronaut?
- 28 Well, I don't like to brag.
- 29 Hmm, yeah, but somehow, you manage.
- 30 Raj, you should have Howard join you for one of your shows.
- 31 Oh, that might be fun.
- 32 But—it might be, but with two small children at home and a full-time job, I'm sure you're too busy.
- 33 No, I could find the time.
- 34 Well, you don't have to decide right now.
- 35 It's okay, I...
- 36 He can't do it.
- 37 Hey, hurry up, guys.
- 38 The gift shop's closing, and Amy said I can get one big thing or two little things.
- 39 Our whole universe was in a hot, dense state Then nearly billion years ago expansion started... Wait!
- 40 The Earth began to cool The autotrophs began to drool, Neanderthals developed tools We built the Wall We built the pyramids Math, Science, History, unraveling the mystery That all started with a big bang Bang! So I'm gonna place the sensory isolation helmet on you for about five minutes.
- 41 All you need to do is sit still and relax.
- 42 What do I do if I start to get claustrophobic?
- 43 Oh, the helmet will sense that and stop the experiment.
- 44 Really?
- 45 No, but that would be cool, wouldn't it?
- 46 Amy, are you busy?
- 47 I've got a subject wired up for a sensory study.
- 48 So...
- 49 Yes, I'm busy.
- 50 Oh.
- 51 I'm tracking a subject's brain activity in real time as we introduce olfactory stimuli.
- 52 I'm smelling baby powder.
- 53 That's just my husband.
- 54 Well, I had a thought about our super-asymmetry theory.
- 55 Let me show you this one thing.
- 56 Well, I-I want to see it, but not when I'm in the middle of an experiment.
- 57 Still baby powder!
- 58 Boy, he is annoying. Do any of those buttons shock him?
- 59 Look, I'm really excited about our paper, too, but I've got a lot of my own work to catch up on, so let's talk later.
- 60 Okay, I'll just say one more thing: lambda calculus.
- 61 And if that wets your whistle, you know where to find me.
- 62 Boop.
- 63 You okay?
- 64 You seem distracted.

- 65 I'm-I'm just thinking about Raj.
- 66 I'm thinking about Chris Hemsworth. Let's go.
- 67 He sort of hurt my feelings.
- 68 (quietly): Biceps, hammer, abs. Still in it.
- 69 Why wouldn't he want me to be in his planetarium show?
- 70 And it's gone.
- 71 Sorry, it's just the director of the planetarium thought it'd be fun for me to join Raj for one of his shows, and he made it clear that he didn't want me to
- 72 Of course he wouldn't want you to.
- 73 I mean, think about it. If you were him, would you want to share the stage with a sexy-ass astronaut?
- 74 I don't know. How sexy are we talking?
- 75 Oh, you know, tight pants, huge biceps, magic hammer.
- 76 - Wait, w-who are we talk... Shh, I'm back in it.
- 77 SHELDON: (stammers)
- 78 The fundamental problem with elementary quantum mechanical formalism is that the Fourier transform extends to minus infinity in time.
- 79 Hey, don't dumb this down for me.
- 80 Penny, I'm...
- 81 Late for that thing. See you.
- 82 Leonard!
- 83 Oh, Sheldon.
- 84 Didn't see you there. What's up?
- 85 Well, uh, he was excited to talk science with Amy, but she was working late, so he decided to come over and share it with me.
- 86 With me, Leonard.
- 87 With me.
- 88 Sheldon, we've talked about this.
- 89 You can't go around boring other people's wives.
- 90 PENNY: Yeah.
- 91 I already got a man for that.
- 92 - Yeah, you do. Yeah.
- 93 It's just, I've just been enjoying my collaboration with Amy, but ever since we got back from our honeymoon, she has so little time.
- 94 Well, she does have her own job.
- 95 Yeah, but it's so dull.
- 96 Trying to understand how the brain translates the five senses into biochemical information.
- 97 I'd rather wait in line without my phone.
- 98 Okay, well, Leonard's here now. You can talk science with him.
- 99 Where you going?
- 100 Oh, that thing you were late for.
- 101 One of us should really be there.
- 102 Hey. Got a sec?
- 103 Sure. What's up?

- 104 I just want to let you know I get why you don't want me to be a part of the planetarium show.
- 105 Oh, great. Thanks for stopping by.
- 106 You don't want to talk about the stars next to an actual astronaut.
- 107 That would be like doing karaoke with a rock star.
- 108 First of all, I've totally done karaoke with a rock star.
- 109 Or are you forgetting when the Spin Doctors handed me the mic at the Orange County Fair?
- 110 Listen, I understand you being intimidated, but I can't help that I'm proud of being an astronaut.
- 111 It's a big deal.
- 112 Oh, it certainly is, but I also happen to be very accomplished in my field.
- 113 Great. So you have no reason to be scared of sharing the spotlight.
- 114 Please. I may be scared of heights and spiders and showing up at a costume party that turns out to be a regular party, but I am not scared of sharing the spotlight with you!
- 115 What's happening?
- 116 I just stormed out for dramatic effect.
- 117 I... Actually, I-I don't have anywhere to go.
- 118 President Siebert, how much do you know about physics?
- 119 I'm a physicist.
- 120 Huh. I would not have guessed that.
- 121 I have a doctorate from Indiana University.
- 122 Oh, that makes more sense.
- 123 Well, don't worry, I'll go slow.
- 124 Thank you.
- 125 Dr. Fowler and I have been working on a theory of super-asymmetry that could reconcile the lack of observation of supersymmetry in a world still governed by string theory.
- 126 Interesting. So you're taking the paradigms of supersymmetry, but removing the limitations of obeying the Poincaré algebra.
- 127 Well, aren't you just the pride of Bloomington?
- 128 What do you want, Sheldon?
- 129 Dr. Fowler has found herself distracted by the commitments in her own lab.
- 130 It would be a great help to both of us if you could free her up from her other projects.
- 131 I'm confused.
- 132 Yeah, well, there's that Indiana.
- 133 This is physics research. Dr. Fowler's a neuroscientist.
- 134 Y-Yes, but her insights into the very ways we conceptualize symmetry and asymmetry have been invaluable.
- 135 - Dr. Cooper... L-Look, I know what you're thinking, that "they're newlyweds, how are they gonna keep their hands off of each other?" Let me assure you, we will not engage in workplace coitus.
- 136 Okay, if I won't put a bagel on my desk, I'm certainly not putting Amy's

bare bottom.

- 137 I-I must say, I do not enjoy our talks.
- 138 Dr. Park, may I help you?
- 139 Actually, yes, do you have any better notes on this project?
- 140 I'm having a hard time reading your handwriting.
- 141 Oh, uh, allow me to rephrase that.
- 142 What the hell are you doing in my lab?
- 143 I'm sorry, I was reassigned to this project.
- 144 I was told you were taking a temporary sabbatical to focus on other work.
- 145 N-No, that-that's crazy.
- 146 This is my research.
- 147 - Oh, Amy, there you are. No, not...
- 148 Not now, Sheldon, I'm dealing with an epic screwup, and when I find out who's responsible, they're gonna get an earful.
- 149 All right, well, when you're done, let me know, I've got some exciting news.
- 150 I'm sorry, I'm confused. President Siebert said you were focusing on some important physics work and I should take over your lab in the interim.
- 151 Uh, hey, that was my exciting news.
- 152 All right, I'm gonna tell you again.
- 153 Pretend you haven't heard it.
- 154 You got me removed from my own project?
- 155 Yeah, and it wasn't easy.
- 156 Apparently, you're very difficult to replace.
- 157 Hey, just between you and me, they consider Dr. Park quite the step down.
- 158 I was trying to pick my moment to leave. This seems like it.
- 159 Wow. Banker's hours.
- 160 No wonder you're not on the tenure track.
- 161 Sheldon, you had no right.
- 162 What- I thought you said you were spread too thin.
- 163 You said that you wished you had more time to focus on our research. I thought I was helping.
- 164 Well, you're not.
- 165 I mean, I have years invested in this work, and now someone's gonna come in and take it over?
- 166 I mean, how would you feel if I let Leonard take over your super-asymmetry project?
- 167 (laughs)
- 168 That's funny.
- 169 Oh, he'd be like a puppy with a microscope. (laughs)
- 170 (chuckles)
- 171 If I had a nickel for every time a charity sent me a nickel.
- 172 Really?
- 173 That's gonna be our whole life, huh?
- 174 If my father's any guide, around , I start to lose my hearing and get two

- new jokes.
- 175 (knock on door)
- 176 - Hev. Hev.
- 177 I brought Chinese.
- 178 Oh, that's a nice surprise. What's the occasion?
- 179 Please, I don't need a reason to bring food to my friends.
- 180 But you have one, don't you?
- 181 Yeah, I need your help.
- 182 All right, lay it on us.
- 183 So, I folded, and I told Howard he could be a part of my planetarium show.
- 184 And now I'm worried he's just gonna make the whole thing about himself.
- 185 So just tell him you changed your mind and you don't want him to do it.
- 186 No, no, then he's gonna think I'm too insecure to share the spotlight with him.
- 187 And he'd be right.
- 188 I came here for your support.
- 189 Well, then, you just walked up three flights of stairs for nothing.
- 190 Wait, don't you mean four flights?
- 191 No, it's actually three.
- 192 But we're on the fourth floor.
- 193 I mean, you have the lobby, first floor, second, third, fourth.
- 194 The lobby's the first floor, so lobby, second, third, fourth.
- 195 That does not seem right.
- 196 Hello...
- 197 Sorry, Raj, who cares if Howard tries to steal the show?
- 198 All right?
- 199 You're great at what you do.
- 200 Just be the bigger man.
- 201 And if it makes you feel better, Penny and I will come so you'll have a couple of friendly faces in the audience.
- 202 Thank you. That would be nice.
- 203 Can you just... Sorry, give me a minute?
- 204 Hey, Raj, if I had a nickel for every time a charity sent me a nickel...
- 205 That's hilarious!
- 206 I know.
- 207 (exhales)
- 208 It's three, right?
- 209 Just shut up.
- 210 Oh, good, we caught you.
- 211 Yes, good.
- 212 You had no right to reassign my project.
- 213 Yeah, no right at all.
- 214 Dr. Fowler, I don't understand.
- 215 Dr. Cooper assured me this is what you wanted.
- 216 Oh-oh!

- 217 Can you believe this guy?
- 218 Oh, sure, so a couple of men get together behind closed doors to decide the fate of a woman's career.
- 219 I thought we'd moved past this.
- 220 Sheldon, this is your fault.
- 221 Ooh, sounds like the old lady's putting me in the doghouse tonight.
- 222 Dr. Fowler, you are very important to this university and I would like to sincerely apologize.
- 223 So I can have my project back?
- 224 - I'm afraid it's not that simple. Why not?
- 225 Well, in order to free up per sonnel...
- 226 Hey, hey, don't go mansplaining things to her.
- 227 I don't think that's what he was doing.
- 228 Oh, then perhaps you don't understand.
- 229 See, mansplaining is when a man explains things to a woman like she's stupid.
- 230 Boop.
- 231 So when was the last time you saw Howard in his astronaut uniform?
- 232 About a week ago.
- 233 Really?
- 234 What was the occasion?
- 235 Date night.
- 236 We do a little role-playing.
- 237 What role do you play?
- 238 (Russian accent): I am Ykatarina Nazdorovya, lonely Russian cosmonaut who is expert at physics and making love.
- 239 Okay, that just made the next hour really weird.
- 240 Good evening, I am Dr. Rajesh Koothrappali, and usually I take you on a trip through the stars, but tonight, we'll begin our journey much closer to home, miles straight up to the International Space Station, which is manned by a team of brave men and women.
- 241 (Russian accent): Flexible men and women.
- 242 Switch with me.
- 243 KOOTHRAPPALI: And we are fortunate to have one of those men here with us tonight.
- 244 Please welcome to the Griffith Observatory astronaut Howard Joel Wolowitz.
- 245 Kak horosho. What is she ta... Don't ask.
- 246 Thank you, Raj, that was a really nice introduction.
- 247 Well, it's from my heart.
- 248 So, Howard, you are in an elite group.
- 249 Only people have ever been on the International Space Station. How does that make you feel?
- 250 Honestly, lucky.
- 251 Most astronauts have to train their whole lives.
- 252 I was just in the right place at the right time.
- 253 Oh, please, luck had nothing to do with it.

- 254 You people need to know how impressive this man is. He was up there because he's the only one qualified to install a piece of equipment that he designed.
- 255 Thanks, but if you want to talk impressive, this guy right here discovered a planetary object outside the Kuiper belt.
- 256 He worked on the Mars rover.
- 257 He helped launch the New Horizons space probe.
- 258 He went to space on a Russian rocket.
- 259 And I was scared the whole time.
- 260 And I was scared for you, but also proud.
- 261 Wow.
- 262 I don't think you've ever said that to me before.
- 263 I should have, and I'm gonna say it again.
- 264 I'm proud of you.
- 265 You're my best friend, and I love you.
- 266 Aw, Raj, I love you, too.
- 267 What is happening?
- 268 Bring it in, spaceman, you've been cleared for landing.
- 269 Can you believe these two... (crying)
- 270 - Are you crying?
- 271 Hello, Sheldon.
- 272 Hello, Arthur.
- 273 Now, I'm confused, usually when you appear to me in my dreams, we're on the planet Dagobah.
- 274 This is Dagobah.
- 275 I didn't know that Dagobah had delicatessens.
- 276 Not good ones.
- 277 Whatever you do, don't order the Reuben.
- 278 I'm having a problem in my marriage.
- 279 I've upset my wife and I don't know how to make it right.
- 280 (chuckles)
- 281 And you're... and you're coming to me for advice?
- 282 I-I upset my wife every time I woke up in the morning.
- 283 I'm not coming to you, you're just a manifestation of my subconscious.
- 284 I mean, I'm actually coming to me.
- 285 So you know everything I'm going to say.
- 286 Yes, but it sounds wiser from you because you're old and glowing.
- 287 Fine.
- 288 Rule number one in a marriage: don't go to bed angry.
- 289 That makes sense.
- 290 Rule number two in a marriage: if you don't recognize the shoes under your bed, they're not your shoes.
- 291 Because they're her shoes?
- 292 (sighs)
- 293 N-Never mind, just-just go with rule number one.
- 294 Thank you, Arthur.

- 295 Uh, before you go, can I ask you a question?
- 296 Of course.
- 297 Does this look lean to you?
- 298 I ordered lean.
- 299 Amy. Wake up. Amy.
- 300 What?
- 301 What's wrong?
- 302 We can't go to sleep angry with each other.
- 303 Why not?
- 304 It's rule number one.
- 305 I'd tell you rule number two, but it's confusing.
- 306 Sheldon, go to sleep.
- 307 Amy. Amy. Amy.
- 308 You cut that out!
- 309 Oh, good, you're up.
- 310 Sheldon...
- 311 I just really don't want to talk to you about this right now.
- 312 That's fine.
- 313 I just need you to know that I feel terrible about what I did and I wasn't being malicious.
- 314 No, you were being selfish.
- 315 You're being selfish right now 'cause it's really late and I just want to sleep.
- 316 No, Professor Proton came to me in my dream and said we can't go to sleep angry.
- 317 Are you sure that's what he said?
- 318 Close your eyes, double-check.
- 319 Amy, this is important.
- 320 Okay, listen to me.
- 321 I love working with you, but you have to understand how scary this is for me.
- 322 Why?
- 323 Because I don't want to get lost in this relationship.
- 324 And when you pulled me off my project, it seemed like my biggest fear was coming true, the things that are mine are getting subsumed into the things that are ours.
- 325 I wouldn't want that to happen, either.
- 326 Thank you for explaining and for using the word "subsume," that's one you don't hear enough.
- 327 You're welcome.
- 328 Good night. Good night.
- 329 What are you doing now?
- 330 Looking for shoes.
- 331 Why?
- 332 When your favorite ghost tells you to do something, you do it.

## 4.6 Episode 06: The Imitation Perturbation

- 1 Hey, did you guys know this year's the th anniversary of Halloween?
- 2 - Oh, nonsense.
- 3 Halloween traditions of date back to the Celtic festival of Samhain.
- 4 Although our current Halloween customs come from the evening before All Hallows' Day–
- 5 All Hallows' Eve-thus, Halloween.
- 6 I meant the movie Halloween.
- 7 Oh.
- 8 Well, that's not interesting at all.
- 9 Did you know the Michael Myers mask from the film was actually a Captain Kirk mask turned inside out?
- 10 Okay, now it's interesting.
- 11 Are you guys all dressing up for work?
- 12 Of course.
- 13 I mean, how often do you get to wear costumes to work?
- 14 Says the man with a giant belt buckle and a dickey.
- 15 Hey, this is not a costume.
- 16 It's a choice. It's a style.
- 17 It's a tragedy.
- 18 Bernadette, why don't we get to dress up at work?
- 19 We used to, but a couple guys in the infectious disease lab went as zombies and it triggered a quarantine.
- 20 The CDC was so mad.
- 21 Hey, if you really want to dress up, we could throw a party.
- 22 Oh, that would be fun.
- 23 You know, I used to throw Halloween parties all the time when I moved into the building.
- 24 All the time? I only remember being invited to one.
- 25 Please don't make this awkward for me.
- 26 Okay, so, Friday night-
- 27 Halloween party here.
- 28 - Okav.
- 29 Great. Can't wait.
- 30 What are you going as?
- 31 I don't want to ruin the surprise.
- 32 You'll see it at work.
- 33 Just a warning: it's pretty scary.
- 34 - Is it a bird?
- 35 - No.
- 36 - Is it a dog?
- 37 - No.
- 38 Oh, I think I'll be fine, then.
- 39 Hello.
- 40 Hello.

- 41 I see you are dressed as Doc Brown from Back to the Future.
- 42 May I assume that Amy is going as his wife, Clara Clayton, from Back to the Future
- 43 Part III?
- 44 She is.
- 45 Did you do something different to your hair?
- 46 Yes.
- 47 Looking good.
- 48 Our whole universe was in a hot, dense state
- 49 Then nearly billion years ago expansion started... Wait!
- 50 The Earth began to cool
- 51 The autotrophs began to drool, Neanderthals developed tools
- 52 We built the Wall
- 53 We built the pyramids
- 54 Math, Science, History, unraveling the mystery
- 55 That all started with a big bang
- 56 Bang!
- 57 Oh, Inspector Gadget.
- 58 And I want to say Supreme Court Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg.
- 59 So close.
- 60 Kooth Bader Ginsburg.
- 61 (chuckles)
- 62 The Notorious KBG.
- 63 That's very clever.
- 64 Sustained.
- 65 Are you gonna dress in drag in front of your fiancée?
- 66 Yeah. We have no secrets from each other.
- 67 Well, except for the fact that I-I crocheted this myself.
- 68 Hey, Sheldon.
- 69 - Hello.
- 70 - Hello.
- 71 Oh, my God, you look amazing.
- 72 KOOTHRAPPALI: I find you guilty of murder, because you are killing it.
- 73 (imitating Sheldon):
- 74 Well, technically, the Supreme Court wouldn't determine a defendant's guilt or innocence in a criminal matter.
- 75 They could only reverse or revamp a jury's conviction based on a constitutional or statutory issue.
- 76 (both laughing)
- 77 Why are you laughing?
- 78 His statement was factually correct.
- 79 (both laughing)
- 80 You're sitting in my spot.
- 81 You don't have a spot.
- 82 - What is wrong with you today?
- 83 KOOTHRAPPALI: Maybe he's cranky because he's off his bathroom sched-

ule.

- 84 Well, I can understand how that would make someone irritable.
- 85 Interesting fact: "irritable" comes from the Latin, "susceptible to anger."
- 86 Just because I used a word doesn't mean I want its etymology.
- 87 Interesting fact: "etymology" comes from the Greek word...
- 88 You are being so annoying.
- 89 Stop it.
- 90 And why are you two laughing?
- 91 (chuckles)
- 92 Sheldon, he's being you.
- 93 He's dressed as you for Halloween.
- 94 Oh.
- 95 So you're not laughing at him.
- 96 You're laughing at me.
- 97 We're not laughing at you.
- 98 We're laughing with you.
- 99 But I'm not laughing.
- 100 Then the first one.
- 101 (footsteps approaching)
- 102 Ready to go?
- 103 Hey, why aren't you in your costume?
- 104 I just didn't feel like it.
- 105 You get that I'm wearing a corset because of you, not because I'm tired of breathing?
- 106 Amy, do you think I'm always correcting other people?
- 107 No, not all the time. I mean, just last week, Penny ended a sentence with a preposition.
- 108 You didn't even mention it.
- 109 True.
- 110 I just waited until I got home and screamed into a pillow.
- 111 Is something bothering you?
- 112 Howard dressed up as me and imitated me, and every one laughed.
- 113 Oh. Well, that must have felt terrible.
- 114 It did. I never realized my friends viewed me as an object of ridicule.
- 115 Oh, I don't think that's true.
- 116 They laughed, Amy.
- 117 In a derisive way.
- 118 Not in the instructive way I laugh at them when they're being stupid.
- 119 - Hey, happy Halloween.
- 120 - Oh!
- 121 - Trick or treat.
- 122 - No.
- 123 Sorry, you're not wearing a costume.
- 124 Yeah, I am.
- 125 I'm a pharmaceutical sales rep.
- 126 I'm gonna need more.

- 127 Okay, failed actress who traded constant rejection for a Christmas bonus and a dental plan?
- 128 - Go nuts.
- 129 - Oh.
- 130 I will.
- 131 So, what are you wearing to the party?
- 132 Sexy cat? Sexy nurse?
- 133 Sexy zombie?
- 134 Why do girls' costumes have to be sexy but guys' costumes don't?
- 135 (scoffs) Say that again with this helicopter on my head.
- 136 Very cute.
- 137 Hey, do you remember what happened at that first Halloween party that you invited me to?
- 138 When I threw up in the pumpkin?
- 139 More memorable than that.
- 140 (chuckles): Really?
- 141 That was pretty impressive.
- 142 We had our first kiss.
- 143 On this very couch.
- 144 No, no, our first kiss was at your birthday.
- 145 Remember? I threw you a party, you didn't make it, and I felt bad for you.
- 146 No, no, it was on Halloween, and you felt bad for me.
- 147 If we're gonna go through every party where I felt bad for you, we're gonna be here awhile.
- 148 Never mind.
- 149 What? You're not mad at me, are you?
- 150 No.
- 151 Of course not.
- 152 No, we just remember different things from that party.
- 153 I remember falling in love, and you remember vomiting in a pumpkin.
- 154 I was, like, four feet away.
- 155 People cheered.
- 156 - Here you go.
- 157 - Thanks.
- 158 So, did you see Howard's costume?
- 159 See it? I made it.
- 160 It was hilarious.
- 161 Well, Sheldon didn't think so, and neither did I.
- 162 Oh, come on.
- 163 It was all in good fun.
- 164 Well, I'm sure it was, but Sheldon's feelings got hurt.
- 165 M-Maybe Howard could apologize?
- 166 You're kidding, right?
- 167 Sheldon didn't apologize when he said my baby looked like Winston Churchill.

- 168 He loves Churchill.
- 169 Your son should take that as a compliment.
- 170 He said it about my daughter.
- 171 Well, this isn't about Sheldon.
- 172 This is about Howard.
- 173 I think it is about Sheldon.
- 174 How many times has he made fun of Howard for being an engineer?
- 175 Going to MIT? His magic?
- 176 Sheldon doesn't make fun of his magic.
- 177 Well, he should. It's stupid.
- 178 Anyway, the point is, Sheldon shouldn't dish it out if he can't take it.
- 179 I think the point is that Howard owes him an apology.
- 180 Yeah, well, I think the point is if Sheldon has a problem with Howard,
- 181 Sheldon should take it up with him.
- 182 HALLEY (over monitor): Mama.
- 183 Now, if you'll excuse me, the prime minister of England needs her diaper changed.
- 184 KOOTHRAPPALI:
- 185 Hey.
- 186 LEONARD: Oh, that's great.
- 187 He's a Supreme Court justice, and you're the U.S. Constitution.
- 188 Yep. He interprets me.
- 189 And guess what's underneath this?
- 190 The Bill of Tights.
- 191 Smart, funny, gorgeous— are we a match or what?
- 192 Hey, Bert, what are you dressed as?
- 193 I'll give you a hint.
- 194 My work in seismic refraction measurements and...
- 195 Hey, Stuart, what are you dressed as?
- 196 I'm a butterfly.
- 197 Did you steal those from Halley's "let's pretend" box?
- 198 I'm gonna put them back.
- 199 All right, I'll tell you.
- 200 I'm Maurice "Doc" Ewing, winner of the Vetlesen Prize, generally regarded as the Nobel Prize of geology.
- 201 Oh, yeah. Now I see it.
- 202 Ask me how I died.
- 203 Spoiler alert: brain hemorrhage.
- 204 (Cockney accent): Well, Gorblimev.
- 205 You look like a thousand tuppence.
- 206 Don't he, Mary Poppins?
- 207 Are you gonna talk like that all night?
- 208 Jiff willikers, I am.
- 209 Isn't he cute?
- 210 He's gonna get a spoonful of sugar later.
- 211 And I'm gonna sweep Ms. Poppins' chimney.

- 212 (honks)
- 213 So, here we are.
- 214 On Halloween.
- 215 On this couch.
- 216 Does it ring any bells?
- 217 Really? We're still doing this?
- 218 I'm just surprised you don't remember our first kiss.
- 219 (sighs) Fine.
- 220 It was on Halloween.
- 221 Are you agreeing just to shut me up?
- 222 You got another way?
- 223 I'm all ears.
- 224 - Really? An arranged marriage?
- 225 KOOTHRAPPALI: Yeah.
- 226 I know how it sounds.
- 227 It sounds awesome.
- 228 Is that just an Indian thing, or can I get a piece of that?
- 229 You know the woman has a choice, right?
- 230 There's always a catch.
- 231 (imitating Bernadette):
- 232 Happy Halloween.
- 233 Who wants to see a magic trick?
- 234 Oh, that's right.
- 235 No one.
- 236 Ha! They're you.
- 237 What do you think you're doing?
- 238 I thought it was clear.
- 239 I'm being unnecessarily hurtful but with a sweet voice.
- 240 And I don't understand what's going on because I went to MIT.
- 241 Okay, guys, I think that's enough.
- 242 Hold on. I'm the judge here, and I'm going to allow it.
- 243 Raj, take a break.
- 244 Hey, free speech.
- 245 Right back there somewhere.
- 246 WOLOWITZ: You know what, guys?
- 247 You got us. Congratulations.
- 248 Now why don't you go back to your apartment and put on your other costumes.
- 249 Oh, but it's so far away, and I have such teeny, tiny legs.
- 250 Really? Our bodies?
- 251 Is that where we're going, Amy?
- 252 (normal voice): What's wrong with my body?
- 253 Well, for starters, you have a quarter in your nose.
- 254 AMY: Not now, Sheldon.
- 255 I don't get invited to a lot of parties.
- 256 Is this a good one?

- 257 Oh, yeah.
- 258 Did that guacamole taste weird to you?
- 259 Tasted weird to me.
- 260 Can't believe Amy did that.
- 261 Oh, come on.
- 262 You thought it was funny when I dressed up as Sheldon.
- 263 That was totally different.
- 264 - How?
- 265 That didn't hurt my feelings.
- 266 Well, for what it's worth, I didn't think it was a very good impression of vou.
- 267 Really? You don't think I have an annoying high-pitched voice?
- 268 No, not at all.
- 269 In fact, I find your voice quite melodious.
- 270 Mm-hmm. And you don't think I'm unnecessarily hurtful?
- 271 What? I'm sorry.
- 272 I-I couldn't hear the question.
- 273 I just heard the music.
- 274 Well, people came, they ate, they vowed to never speak to each other again.
- 275 I think it was a successful party.
- 276 It was.
- 277 And I'm sorry about earlier.
- 278 I know it doesn't matter.
- 279 (sighs) No, it does matter.
- 280 Okay? You were right.
- 281 It was Halloween.
- 282 I was dressed as a cat, you were a hobbit.
- 283 It was right there on that couch.
- 284 Why didn't you just say that?
- 285 Because I always hated that was our first kiss.
- 286 I was drunk, and I was still with Kurt, and I was using you to make myself feel better.
- 287 I... just wanted our first kiss to mean something.
- 288 That's why I said it was the one on your birthday.
- 289 I like that.
- 290 We'll make that our official first kiss.
- 291 Thank you. Aw.
- 292 (giggles)
- 293 That was beautiful.
- 294 - Mm.
- 295 - What are you still doing here?
- 296 I was in the bathroom.
- 297 Guacamole didn't agree with me.
- 298 Well, since you're here, you can help us clean up.
- 299 Will you take this out, please?

- 300 Sure.
- 301 Thank you.
- 302 It's late. Would you mind if I crashed here tonight?
- 303 You are always welcome here.
- 304 - Thank you.
- 305 - Mm-hmm.
- 306 Where were we?
- 307 I think Howard hurting my feelings has in some ways made me a better person.
- 308 Hmm. Look at you, improving on perfection.
- 309 How so?
- 310 As you were eating that Danish, I wanted to point out that the Danish isn't Danish at all.
- 311 It was imported by Austrian bakers during a labor dispute in the s.
- 312 But I chose not to, because I didn't want to be the kind of fella who foists unwanted facts about European pastries on the unwilling.
- 313 Huh. That's actually interesting.
- 314 Sorry. Now you'll never know.
- 315 Hey, guys, I need your help.
- 316 (chuckles):
- 317 Bernadette's still pretty upset about your costumes.
- 318 She's upset?
- 319 Those pants I wore to make fun of you were so tight, I risked a testicular hernia.
- 320 Anyway, if you guys could apologize, it'd be a big help.
- 321 Oh, we'd be happy to apologize to her as soon as she apologizes to me for not making you apologize to Sheldon.
- 322 I didn't follow that, but, then, between my wife and that guacamole, I didn't get a lot of sleep last night.
- 323 Don't you think it's unreasonable for her to ask us to do something she refused to do?
- 324 Yes. So when can you stop by? (chuckles)
- 325 I don't understand. If it's unreasonable, why should we do it?
- 326 Okay, how about this?
- 327 You know in Star Wars when R and Chewbacca were playing holochess?
- 328 Really? Star Wars?
- 329 Amy, let the man speak.
- 330 WOLOWITZ: Well, Chewbacca was losing and getting angry and...
- 331 W-W-Wait. Are you saying we should let the Wookiee win?
- 332 (chuckles):
- 333 Hev.
- 334 Hey, that's my wife you're talking about.
- 335 (whispers):
- 336 But yes, let the Wookiee win.
- 337 Hello, Bernadette.
- 338 Wait, did you just walk into my house?

- 339 No, Howard let me in.
- 340 Where is he?
- 341 Oh, he got in his car and drove away.
- 342 Oh.
- 343 Is that watermelon for anybody?
- 344 - It's for Halley.
- 345 - Is she gonna eat all of it?
- 346 God, no wonder she looks like Churchill.
- 347 What do you want, Sheldon?
- 348 Howard said your feelings were hurt.
- 349 Well, Howard's wrong.
- 350 I don't care if someone makes fun of me.
- 351 All right.
- 352 Apparently I came all this way for nothing.
- 353 Unless Halley wants to share that watermelon?
- 354 You think Amy's the first person to make fun of me for having a squeaky voice?
- 355 Do you?
- 356 I feel like my chance at watermelon is dangling by a thread.
- 357 She's not. It's been happening my whole life.
- 358 And-and she called me out for being mean?
- 359 Well, I've had to be mean.
- 360 It's hard to be taken seriously when you're always the smallest person in the room.
- 361 I know that.
- 362 I was in high school when I was nine years old.
- 363 I tried to tell the other kids that although my physical stature was small, my intellectual stature towered over them.
- 364 That only seemed to make things worse.
- 365 The kids called me Bernadette the marionette.
- 366 (laughs): Because you're small.
- 367 That's funny.
- 368 No, it's not.
- 369 Well, people used to call me egghead 'cause there were eggs on my head.
- 370 'Cause they threw them at me.
- 371 That's terrible.
- 372 One time my brothers made me breathe helium.
- 373 I tried to call for help, but the only one who could hear me was the dog.
- 374 That's also terrible.
- 375 My goodness, you had to live in a house with a dog.
- 376 I guess we both had to put up with a lot of crap from people.
- 377 I suppose we have. Huh.
- 378 Maybe you and I are more alike than we thought.
- 379 Maybe we are.
- 380 Although I'm exceptionally tall, and you're exceptionally...
- 381 - Sheldon.

- 382 - You didn't even let me finish.
- 383 - Fine. Sorry.
- 384 - Short.
- 385 Sheldon, you sure you're ready for this?
- 386 This movie's pretty scary.
- 387 - Please.
- 388 I'm an adult.
- 389 I think I can handle it.
- 390 That's what you said about the butterfly pavilion at the zoo.
- 391 That was my fault.
- 392 After I pet that goat, I felt like a gladiator.
- 393 Okay, lights on, or lights off?
- 394 Lights off. If I'm gonna do this, I want to do it right.
- 395 (Halloween theme playing)
- 396 What do you guys think you're doing?
- 397 We're showing Sheldon Halloween.
- 398 Absolutely not.
- 399 Sheldon, come home.
- 400 (stammers)
- 401 But I really want to watch it.
- 402 I know you do, but I am forbidding it.
- 403 Oh, man. Sorry, guys.
- 404 - What took you so long?
- 405 - I'm sorry. I just got your text!

## 4.7 Episode 07: The Grant Allocation Derivation

- 1 Oh, this is amazing.
- 2 I wish I had a playhouse like this when I was a kid.
- 3 Really? You never had a playhouse?
- 4 No. I mean, my dad did buy the house next door for us to play in.
- 5 I'm gonna hook up the garden hose, so it has running water.
- 6 Why does it need running water?
- 7 Same reason it's got electricity: Bernadette and I both work, and we're overcompensating.
- 8 This reminds me of a traditional Amish barn raising.
- 9 With everyone pitching in.
- 10 How exactly are you pitching in?
- 11 I don't hear anyone else giving facts about traditional Amish barn raising.
- 12 The rest of us are pitching in with hammers and nails.
- 13 Well, facts are my nails, and my voice is the hammer which pounds them through the wood of your skull.
- 14 Well, that is how it feels.
- 15 Hey, uh, can you pass me that drill?
- 16 Yeah, fun fact about Amish barn raising—they don't use any power tools.
- 17 - Amy, make him stop.

- 18 - No.
- 19 If he tires himself out now, he'll sleep better tonight.
- 20 BERNADETTE: Hey, Howie, can you give me a hand?
- 21 I need to get some work done, and the kids are climbing all over me.
- 22 You know what?
- 23 I'll watch them.
- 24 - You sure?
- 25 - But I was just about to tell everyone why they're called Pennsylvania Dutch when they really hail from Germany.
- 26 Yep.
- 27 Thanks.
- 28 So, what do you think?
- 29 Pretty cool, huh?
- 30 And when our kids outgrow it, we can Airbnb it to other people's babies.
- 31 Funny.
- 32 You all right?
- 33 Sorry, I haven't had a second to myself.
- 34 So let me just go back inside, finish my report, brush my teeth, change out of my pajamas, make a sandwich, and then I'll come out here and laugh at your joke.
- 35 Ooh. As long as you're making sandwiches...
- 36 You can laugh at that one later, too.
- 37 All right, I've kept you in suspense long enough.
- 38 "Dutch" is a bastardization of the word "Deutsch," meaning German.
- 39 What's German for "annoying"?
- 40 Nervig. Why do you ask?
- 41 Our whole universe was in a hot, dense state
- 42 Then nearly billion years ago expansion started... Wait!
- 43 The Earth began to cool
- 44 The autotrophs began to drool, Neanderthals developed tools
- 45 We built the Wall
- 46 We built the pyramids
- 47 Math, Science, History, unraveling the mystery
- 48 That all started with a big bang
- 49 Bang!
- 50 (knocks) President Siebert, you wanted to see me?
- 51 Hey. There's my guy!
- 52 You sound like my wife just before she asked me to go to Coachella.
- 53 No, this is gonna be way more fun than Coachella.
- 54 More fun than heatstroke?
- 55 Good luck.
- 56 So, there are some funds left in the general administrative grant, and I need somebody to decide how we should disburse them.
- 57 Really?
- 58 W-Wow, what an honor.
- 59 Thank you.

- 60 So how do I decide who gets the money?
- 61 How do you decide anything?
- 62 Think about it with your brain, and then say it with your mouth.
- 63 Yeah, right, sure.
- 64 Uh, so, after I decide, do I then submit it to you for approval, or...?
- 65 No. You decide, you approve, and then you pride yourself on a job well done.
- 66 That's a lot of responsibility.
- 67 Well, if I didn't think you were up to the task, you wouldn't have been fifth on my list.
- 68 Thank you.
- 69 I-I'll get started right away.
- 70 And I look forward to hearing nothing about it.
- 71 I will keep you posted.
- 72 Hey, thank you guys again for helping out yesterday.
- 73 - No problem.
- 74 - That was really fun.
- 75 - It was fun.
- 76 But I am sore.
- 77 You didn't lift a finger.
- 78 No, but I narrated the entire event, and I am paying for it today.
- 79 Gentlemen.
- 80 - Hey. Hi.
- 81 Leonard, do I detect a little swagger in your step?
- 82 Mm, possibly.
- 83 Well, stop.
- 84 It doesn't suit you.
- 85 - What's going on?
- 86 - Well,
- 87 Siebert put me in charge of handing out the last bit of the administrative funds, and I have sole discretion.
- 88 Ooh! Looks like Christmas came early.
- 89 First thing on my list is a golden umbrella, 'cause Leonard's gonna make it rain!
- 90 Uh, hold on, I'm not just gonna hand out money.
- 91 There's a procedure you need to follow.
- 92 I believe he's referring to the traditional "kissing of the buttocks."
- 93 Should we form a line, or just do it like we're bobbing for apples?
- 94 LEONARD: Cute, but President Siebert trusted me with this, and I'm taking it seriously.
- 95 If you have a legitimate request, you can submit it to me in writing, and I'll evaluate it based on its merits.
- 96 Sure, sure. Is "Jet Ski" one word or two?
- 97 Hofstadter!
- 98 Heard Siebert put you in charge of the administrative fund.
- 99 Can't think of a better guy for the job.

- 100 I think he's done this before.
- 101 Leonard, I know you and I have a... oh, troubled history, but I hope that when I make my request you'll give me a fair shot.
- 102 Of course.
- 103 See? That's why I like about this guy: integrity.
- 104 Bring it in!
- 105 I just put something in your pocket.
- 106 It's good at all El Pollo Locos.
- 107 (Neil crying)
- 108 WOLOWITZ: Halley, leave your brother's dirty diaper alone.
- 109 Put that down.
- 110 That is not a hat.
- 111 That is not a hat! Oh!
- 112 (crying continues)
- 113 Okay. Everybody in the sink.
- 114 - Oh.
- 115 Bad news, Howie.
- 116 I'm gonna be stuck at work for a while.
- 117 Oh, that's terrible.
- 118 Hang in there.
- 119 I'll be home as soon as I can.
- 120 (sighs):
- 121 Ah...
- 122 He deserves better.
- 123 No, I'm not going to reconsider.
- 124 Your request was denied.
- 125 I don't care if it helps you think; you don't need a koi pond in your office.
- 126 Well, you should have thought about that before you bought the koi!
- 127 Wow. That was a little rough.
- 128 Well, I have to be.
- 129 Everyone assumes I'm just gonna give them whatever they want.
- 130 Hmm. But you're not, are you?
- 131 No, I'm not.
- 132 I mean, look at this.
- 133 An espresso machine? I don't think so. Denied!
- 134 Wow, I really like this side of you.
- 135 Really?
- 136 Yeah, just so decisive.
- 137 Well, check this out.
- 138 A standing desk. Denied!
- 139 Oh
- 140 If you want to stand, do it on your own time, 'cause I'm the boss.
- 141 Yeah, you are.
- 142 - Hello.
- 143 - Hey. Hey.
- 144 Leonard, I just wanted to congratulate you on how well you are managing

- this grant money.
- 145 - What do you want?
- 146 Nothing. I just came by to pay you a compliment.
- 147 Nice try.
- 148 The answer's no.
- 149 To what? I'm not asking you for anything.
- 150 All I need for my job is right here. Hmm?
- 151 This is my office.
- 152 Which makes for a great commute.
- 153 Home, work, home.
- 154 I'm still working-
- 155 I'm just working from home.
- 156 You know, if it's that easy, then why does Leonard have to drive you to work every day?
- 157 Because I like the frozen yogurt machine in the cafeteria.
- 158 Ooh, I suppose I could use a frozen yogurt machine...
- 159 Denied!
- 160 Oh, you should have seen him-denying things left and right.
- 161 It was so sexy.
- 162 'Course, I made a request he did not deny.
- 163 Uh-huh.
- 164 Are you listening to me?
- 165 Yeah, sure.
- 166 You slept with your husband.
- 167 What is going on with you?
- 168 It's not a big thing.
- 169 Have you ever told Leonard a little white lie?
- 170 Mm. Well, he thinks I've seen every one of the Star Wars movies, but I've really only seen the one with the gold robot.
- 171 - That could be any of them.
- 172 - Exactly.
- 173 I've been telling Howie that I've had to work late the past couple nights, but really, I've just been hiding out in Howie's playhouse.
- 174 Does that make me awful?
- 175 Awful? No.
- 176 Uh, strange? Yes.
- 177 Sad? A little, yes.
- 178 It's just that work's been crazy, and the minute I get home, I have two kids hanging on me, and sometimes I don't want babies pulling my hair and pinching my belly fat.
- 179 That'd be a good slogan for a condom company.
- 180 I love my kids, but that hour to myself just makes me feel human again.
- 181 So, you go home and sit alone in a toy house
- 182 in the backyard?
- 183 Yeah!
- 184 Oh, Dr. Hofstadter, did you have a chance to look over my proposal?

- 185 - I did, and your research is fascinating.
- 186 I had no idea that crows were that smart.
- 187 Do they really hold grudges?
- 188 They do. One of them escaped from my behavioral study a year ago.
- 189 I can't prove it's him, but something craps on my car every day.
- 190 Well, l-look, I only have enough money to fund one request, but your project is definitely in the running.
- 191 Okay, but, uh, when do you think you might make a decision?
- 192 Because I have to upgrade their cages before they learn how to open the locks.
- 193 When I came in to my lab this morning, they suddenly got silent.
- 194 I think they're planning something.
- 195 Um, soon. I've narrowed it down to three projects.
- 196 Ooh, is mine one of them?
- 197 Actually, yeah.
- 198 The software in the telescope room hasn't been upgraded in years, and it seems like it might be time.
- 199 - Whoa, whoa, whoa!
- 200 - (chuckles)
- 201 So you're just gonna give the money to your friend?
- 202 I smell a rat.
- 203 I work with rats, too.
- 204 That might be me.
- 205 I'm not just giving it to my friend, Barry.
- 206 Your proposal is also in the mix.
- 207 Wait, so those are the three?
- 208 You're not even considering mine?
- 209 Why, because they're PhDs and I'm just an engineer?
- 210 No, because they wrote detailed proposals, and you sent a YouTube clip of the guy from Jerry Maguire saying, "Show me the money!"
- 211 KRIPKE: All right, Hofstadter, what's it gonna be?
- 212 Which project are you gonna pick?
- 213 Yeah, come on, Leonard.
- 214 - Tell us now.
- 215 LEE: But, remember, crows aren't the only ones who can hold a grudge.
- 216 Look, all three of your proposals have a lot of merit.
- 217 I just want to make sure I'm making the right decision.
- 218 I can tell you're stressed.
- 219 If it helps, I withdraw my proposal.
- 220 It doesn't help.
- 221 Fine. Then I'm back in the mix.
- 222 Show me the money!
- 223 Okay, I-I just-
- 224 I need everyone to back off.
- 225 I'm in charge here, and I'll decide when I'm ready to decide.
- 226 - When will that be?

- 227 - (groans)
- 228 A day, a week.
- 229 I don't know!
- 230 - Where are you going?
- 231 - I don't know that either!
- 232 Ooh.
- 233 Someone's making decisions.
- 234 I'm reviewing these proposals.
- 235 Yeah. 'Cause you're the boss man, telling people what's what.
- 236 I like it.
- 237 (whining):
- 238 It's just so hard!
- 239 All-all three of these proposals have merit.
- 240 How do I choose?
- 241 Well, not with that voice.
- 242 There has got to be a right decision based on empirical evidence.
- 243 Look, I made pros and cons lists, and then I came up with three different scoring systems to determine the best project.
- 244 I just don't know what scoring system to use.
- 245 So I'm working on a meta-scoring system to score the scoring systems, but the math is really complicated.
- 246 You want me to walk you through it?
- 247 - Cheers.
- 248 - Cheers.
- 249 (sighs)
- 250 Turn that off.
- 251 Are you trying to get us caught?
- 252 Oh.
- 253 So, I've narrowed it down to three worthwhile projects, but I only have the money to fund one of them.
- 254 Lucky for you, I have a solution.
- 255 I can't wait.
- 256 You free up more money and I fund all of them.
- 257 Mm, no.
- 258 Or- hear me out-
- 259 yes.
- 260 That way, e-everybody's happy.
- 261 You can't make everybody happy.
- 262 - I think I can.
- 263 - You can't.
- 264 - Well, actually...
- 265 You're making me unhappy.
- 266 Okay, what would you do?
- 267 I'd find some sap and put him in charge so I wouldn't have to be the bad guy.
- 268 That's a really good id-Oh.

- 269 (gasps)
- 270 Whatcha doin'?
- 271 You scared me.
- 272 (chuckles)
- 273 I'll ask again.
- 274 What-cha doin'?
- 275 Nothing.
- 276 Really?
- 277 You and Bernadette aren't doing stuff without me?
- 278 What? No!
- 279 Why would you even say that?
- 280 You know how your talent is getting just drunk enough to have a good time without being hungover the next day?
- 281 Thank you.
- 282 (chuckles)
- 283 Well, mine is knowing when I'm being excluded.
- 284 So spill.
- 285 I'm-I'm just running some errands.
- 286 Yeah?
- 287 With a bag full of wine?
- 288 I...
- 289 Got to stay hydrated.
- 290 Try again.
- 291 Okay, look, I'm sorry.
- 292 We did not mean to leave you out.
- 293 All right? Bernadette has been feeling fried at home, so we ended up hanging out in Halley's playhouse.
- 294 Like a secret club?
- 295 No! Just, like, a place to spend time that we don't tell anyone else about.
- 296 And what would be a shorter way of saying that?
- 297 (quietly):
- 298 Secret club.
- 299 - Well, you really hurt my feelings.
- 300 - (sighs)
- 301 What can I do to make it up to you?
- 302 I'm in a secret club!
- 303 Shh!
- 304 Is there some sort of humiliating initiation?
- 305 'Cause I would literally do anything.
- 306 Leonard, you've been losing to me in three-dimensional chess for many vears.
- 307 You know what would be neat?
- 308 If this was some sort of long con and one day you say, "Let's make this interesting," put money on it, and reveal that you actually know what you're doing.
- 309 A very long con indeed.

- 310 - Checkmate.
- 311 - (groans)
- 312 Sorry. I'm distracted.
- 313 Ooh, aren't you the hustler.
- 314 No matter who I give the funds to, someone is gonna be upset with me.
- 315 Do you really care if people are angry at you?
- 316 - Of course.
- 317 - Interesting.
- 318 Why don't you go to the store and get me some tapioca pudding or I'm gonna be angry at you.
- 319 No.
- 320 So it comes and goes?
- 321 How do you not care what people think of you?
- 322 It's easy.
- 323 I mean, not "beating you at chess" easy, but what is?
- 324 Wait, you can make this decision.
- 325 You don't care if you upset people.
- 326 You can pick for me.
- 327 I certainly could.
- 328 - Oh, great.
- 329 - But I won't.
- 330 I think this is a learning opportunity for you.
- 331 Sheldon, come on.
- 332 Oh, I'm sorry.
- 333 Did I upset you?
- 334 - Yes.
- 335 - Ask me how I feel about that.
- 336 So where does Leonard think you are?
- 337 Oh, I told him I was at yoga.
- 338 (chuckles) Well, you are stretching the truth.
- 339 Yeah. Where does Sheldon think you are?
- 340 Oh, Sheldon's kind of like a dog- he doesn't really think about me when I'm gone, but he's so happy when I show up.
- 341 (oven dings)
- 342 Ooh.
- 343 Who wants an Easy-Bake quesadilla?
- 344 Me!
- 345 Ooh, hot.
- 346 (door closes)
- 347 Shh.
- 348 KOOTHRAPPALI: Thanks for letting me come over and hang.
- 349 So Leonard still hasn't made a decision yet?
- 350 No.
- 351 And I've really been laying on the guilt.
- 352 Did you break out the sad eyes?
- 353 You mean these bad boys?

- 354 (whispering): What do we do?
- 355 We're just gonna have to wait till they go back inside.
- 356 Okay, okay. Can we very quietly open that second bottle of...
- 357 (oven dings)
- 358 (quietly): Hey, don't freak out, but I think there's someone in your playhouse.
- 359 Oh. Yeah, that's just Bernadette.
- 360 She's been hiding out in there all week. (chuckles)
- 361 Really? Why?
- 362 (exhales)
- 363 I don't know.
- 364 She's been a little overwhelmed at work.
- 365 And, frankly, me and the kids are a lot.
- 366 She just... (chuckles)
- 367 needs some downtime.
- 368 And you just pretend like you don't know?
- 369 Sure. That's how marriage works.
- 370 Three years ago...
- 371 (chuckles)
- 372 I told her I got life insurance, and I totally didn't.
- 373 (laughs)
- 374 Someday, she's gonna find out. I'm gonna say, "Ha-ha! I know you've been hiding in the playhouse."
- 375 Why don't you just get the life insurance?
- 376 Whose side are you on?
- 377 Can you hear what they're saying?
- 378 Shh, I'm trying.
- 379 (cork pops)
- 380 Huh.
- 381 Sounds like Penny's in there, too.
- 382 Seriously, Leonard, you didn't pick my project?
- 383 I'm sorry, Raj.
- 384 - Did you go with Crow Lady?
- 385 - No.
- 386 You gave the money to Kripke?
- 387 I did not.
- 388 Wait, I'm confused.
- 389 I thought there were only three projects in contention.
- 390 There were.
- 391 But, at the last minute, someone submitted an application for a pretty cool europium-doped laser, and they made a very compelling case.
- 392 What was the case?
- 393 Oh, that it was me and I wanted it.
- 394 You-you can't do that.
- 395 You can't just fund your own project.
- 396 Uh, it turns out I can, and I did.

- 397 Interesting.
- 398 What about not wanting everybody to be mad at you?
- 399 Well, I realized that, no matter what decision I made, people were gonna be mad at me.
- 400 And this way, I get a laser.
- 401 That is the most selfish thing you've ever done.
- 402 I'm proud of you.
- 403 - And I don't care.
- 404 - Yes, you do.
- 405 Yeah, I do.
- 406 The europium laser is so cool.
- 407 It has a four-level f-f transition which provides for high power output, and its quantum efficiency is off the charts.
- 408 What are you going to use it for?
- 409 I have no idea.
- 410 Leonard, there's a crow on your roof.
- 411 I see it.
- 412 Is that one of Dr. Lee's crows?
- 413 (caws)
- 414 It has a tag on its leg.
- 415 (cawing)
- 416 Don't make any sudden moves.
- 417 Smart. Let's stand perfectly still and...
- 418 He's the one you want!
- 419 (cawing)

## 4.8 Episode 08: The Consummation Deviation

- 1 Hey, you guys have any plans for Valentine's Day?
- 2 Three months from now? No.
- 3 - What? No?
- 4 - I mean, secret romantic plans that would be ruined if I told you.
- 5 Oh.
- 6 What's going on, Raj?
- 7 Well, how would you guys feel about going to India for my wedding?
- 8 Oh, that's so exciting!
- 9 Penny, you will never guess what I have planned for Valentine's Day.
- 10 - Uh-huh.
- 11 Can I feed peanuts to the elephants at your wedding?
- 12 - That is such a stereotype!
- 13 - There won't be any elephants?
- 14 Of course there'll be elephants.
- 15 It's a stereotype that you feed them peanuts.
- 16 Are you really gonna plan a wedding in three months?
- 17 Yeah, well, her family's doing most of the work.
- 18 They're amazing.

- 19 We talk all the time.
- 20 Why?
- 21 Because we're about to get married and they're gonna be my family.
- 22 Amy and I are married, and I never talk to her family.
- 23 Really? My parents love Leonard.
- 24 Yeah. And my mom loves Penny, which is weird, because I never knew she could love.
- 25 And my dad has grown to really...like Howard.
- 26 Yeah, there's a nice... coolness between us.
- 27 Hey, guys, before Anu gets here, can I talk about the seating situation?
- 28 I really don't want herto sit on the floor.
- 29 Oh. No problem.
- 30 Bernadette, floor.
- 31 - Hey!
- 32 - Yeah, you can't make my wife sit on the floor.
- 33 - Fine.
- 34 Howard, floor.
- 35 Fine, I'll sit on the floor.
- 36 Thank you, Penny.
- 37 And, Leonard, I was kind of hoping I could sit next to Anu.
- 38 So now I have to sit on the floor?
- 39 It's my house.
- 40 Why can't Sheldon sit on the floor?
- 41 That might be the dumbest thing you've ever said.
- 42 WOLOWITZ: Guys, guys, there's a simple solution.
- 43 I am not breaking up with her.
- 44 All right. Let's keep thinking.
- 45 Hey, everybody, it's Anu.
- 46 Hi.
- 47 ALL: Hi! Welcome!
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- 49 Then nearly billion years ago expansion started... Wait!
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- 53 We built the pyramids
- 54 Math, Science, History, unraveling the mystery
- 55 That all started with a big bang
- 56 Bang!
- 57 (groans):
- 58 Oh, I am stuffed!
- 59 I should not have eaten all those dumplings.
- 60 (chuckles)
- 61 I think we should have s\*x.
- 62 (passing horn honks)
- 63 (squeakily):

- 64 Me, too.
- 65 Yeah, it's just, we haven't done it yet, and I think it's important to make sure we're compatible before we get married.
- 66 I totally agree.
- 67 Oh, just one question.
- 68 While we're doing it, can I leave my shirt on?
- 69 You know, the dumplings, pretty salty.
- 70 It doesn't have to be tonight.
- 71 How about this weekend?
- 72 I can get us a room at my hotel.
- 73 Okay. Sounds nice.
- 74 We can order a bunch of room service, because I'm not eating anything between now and then.
- 75 Aw. Are you worried?
- 76 I am not worried.
- 77 If anything, I'm overconfident.
- 78 Edging into smug.
- 79 I'm sure it's gonna be fine.
- 80 Oh, it's gonna be better than fine.
- 81 Trust me, I've had no complaints.
- 82 Good to know.
- 83 Well, I've had questions, comments, some constructive criticism,
- 84 (snorts):
- 85 but... no complaints.
- 86 You're up early.
- 87 Huh? Yes. I wanted to get a jump on planning a day of fun for you.
- 88 Oh, that's sweet.
- 89 What are we doing?
- 90 Oh, no. Just you.
- 91 I have other plans.
- 92 Now, would you prefer to see The Grinch in -D or -D?
- 93 I don't want to see it at all.
- 94 Well, let's go -D. No sense in spending extra money.
- 95 What are you gonna be doing?
- 96 Being a great husband.
- 97 Yeah, you're gonna need to show your work on that.
- 98 After last night, I got to thinking that I should have a better relationship with your family.
- 99 I think the one you have with them is perfect.
- 100 I hardly have one at all.
- 101 Which is perfect.
- 102 Oh, Amy, they're important to you, and you're important to me.
- 103 Therefore, according to the transitive property, they're important to me.
- 104 It's the same reason I'm interested in your big, flat feet.
- 105 Well, you know that my mom can be...
- 106 - well, difficult to get along with.

- 107 - Which is why
- 108 I'm starting with your dad and working my way up.
- 109 All right.
- 110 I'm just worried you might have a rather unpleasant day.
- 111 Yeah, back at va.
- 112 I watched the trailer for The Grinch- it looks terrible.
- 113 (knocking)
- 114 - Hi, Sheldon.
- 115 - Oh, good. You're right on time.
- 116 - Hi, Daddy.
- 117 - Hey, pumpkin.
- 118 Pumpkin? I've been calling her spaghetti squash.
- 119 It's amazing that one woman can be different vegetables to different men.
- 120 Bye.
- 121 Bye.
- 122 So, how does this work with in-laws?
- 123 Am I supposed to be calling you Dad?
- 124 Because I don't want to.
- 125 - You don't have to.
- 126 - Oh, thanks, Larry.
- 127 Ooh. That doesn't sound right.
- 128 (gasps) Maybe I should pick a vegetable for you.
- 129 (video game noises on TV)
- 130 Hey, Leonard, can you pause the game for a second?
- 131 - Uh, hang on.
- 132 - I'm about to beat Howard.
- 133 What? Hey!
- 134 What?
- 135 He's our friend.
- 136 What's up, pal?
- 137 I... I don't know how else to say this, but, um, Anu and I are going to have s\*x tonight.
- 138 Yeah...
- 139 Do you know how creepy that sounds?
- 140 Yeah...
- 141 So, is this the first time?
- 142 Yeah.
- 143 - How you feeling about it?
- 144 - Uh... to be honest, I'm pretty anxious.
- 145 I mean, this is the woman I'm marrying—what if it's no good?
- 146 Do we break up?
- 147 Do we... sign on for a lifetime of mediocre s\*x?
- 148 Just don't put so much pressure on it.
- 149 It's always a little awkward in the beginning.
- 150 I remember the first time I slept with Penny.
- 151 It was bad?

- 152 Oh, it was awesome!
- 153 I will replay it in my head until the day I die.
- 154 WOLOWITZ: Well, if it helps, I was really nervous my first time with Bernie.
- 155 Mostly because I was worried my mom would walk in.
- 156 Did she?
- 157 Yea- Yeah.
- 158 BERNADETTE: I'll tell you one thing.
- 159 Lock the door.
- 160 Yeah, Raj, you're gonna be fine.
- 161 Just break out some of your Kama Sutra moves.
- 162 I don't really know any of that stuff.
- 163 I just pretend I do to impress women.
- 164 And by the way, Anu is Indian—she's gonna know there's no sexual position called a "screeching lotus."
- 165 Screeching lotus?
- 166 Sometimes I get leg cramps.
- 167 It's my cover story.
- 168 Look, she's probably nervous, too.
- 169 Yeah, what if you're great and she's bad?
- 170 How can she be bad?
- 171 Raj, women can be bad at s\*x, too.
- 172 (laughs): No, that's silly.
- 173 Hey, have you checked the dates on these?
- 174 They're all expired.
- 175 You buy candy in a comic book store, you get what you get.
- 176 It's called Lethal Weapon, but isn't that redundant?
- 177 Aren't weapons, by their very nature, lethal?
- 178 I suppose you're right.
- 179 Yeah, and don't even get me started on Unsolved Mysteries.
- 180 I didn't get you started on Lethal Weapon.
- 181 All right, this is another one of my favorite places, the comic book store.
- 182 Feel free to look around.
- 183 Vintage comics in back, vintage candy right here.
- 184 What are you guys up to?
- 185 Oh, father-in-law, son-in-law bonding.
- 186 It's going great.
- 187 Look at what he bought me at the train store.
- 188 (blows whistle)
- 189 Yeah, it sounded louder in the car.
- 190 Cool. Can I see it?
- 191 Hmm? Sure.
- 192 Oh. Interesting.
- 193 I think this is one of those disappearing whistles.
- 194 What are you talking about?
- 195 (claps hands)

- 196 Voilà!
- 197 Amazing.
- 198 Where did it go?
- 199 Look in your pocket.
- 200 (gasping):
- 201 Oh! Oh!
- 202 Oh, how did you do that?
- 203 Sorry, a magician never shares his secrets.
- 204 I'll give you a hundred bucks.
- 205 Sold!
- 206 Okay.
- 207 Hey.
- 208 - Where's my wallet?
- 209 - Voilà!
- 210 Hey, Penny.
- 211 I need your help.
- 212 I am freaking out.
- 213 Okay, is she there yet?
- 214 No, I got here first.
- 215 You know... get the lay of the land.
- 216 Raj, it's gonna be okay.
- 217 Look, s\*x isn't the most important thing in a relationship.
- 218 My first time with Leonard was nothing to write home about.
- 219 Really?
- 220 Yeah, but, you know, over time it got better.
- 221 S-So practice makes perfect?
- 222 Well, practice makes better.
- 223 (phone chimes)
- 224 Oh, my God, oh, my God, she just texted. She's on her way up!
- 225 Raj, calm down.
- 226 You got this.
- 227 Yes. Thank you, thank you.
- 228 I got this.
- 229 Just remember, the most important thing is to have fun.
- 230 Stop putting so much pressure on me!
- 231 Hi.
- 232 Everything okay?
- 233 Why are you acting so weird?
- 234 Raj? What's going on?
- 235 (champagne cork pops)
- 236 Be right out!
- 237 You look beautiful!
- 238 Sorry, I had to use the facilities.
- 239 With a bottle of champagne?
- 240 Mm, I like to celebrate the little things in life.
- 241 You need to go?

- 242 There's still some left.
- 243 Raj, what is going on?
- 244 No, no, it's not what's going on, it's what's comin' off.
- 245 Stop it.
- 246 You're acting weird, and it's freaking me out.
- 247 Why? Because I couldn't talk and ran in the bathroom to slug back a bottle of champagne when I pretended to pee?
- 248 Okay, I think I'm gonna leave.
- 249 No, no, wait, wait, don't- okay, don't go.
- 250 Fine. Then tell me what's going on.
- 251 Well, funny story...
- 252 The truth.
- 253 Oh, God, the truth is so not good for me!
- 254 Voilà.
- 255 Darn it.
- 256 It's okay.
- 257 Here, let me show you again.
- 258 It's like you're actually magic.
- 259 You can do that but you still can't get my bra off.
- 260 The rings don't roll their eyes at me.
- 261 Excuse me, Turnip, we need to get going.
- 262 But-but Howard was gonna show me some close-up magic.
- 263 Well, if you want to see real magic, I'll take you to Union Station, home to trains, subways and busses that, every half hour-voilà-drive to the airport.
- 264 I'd like to stay, if you don't mind.
- 265 Oh, not at all.
- 266 Howard. A word.
- 267 What's up?
- 268 - I need you to stop being so delightful.
- 269 - What?
- 270 I'm supposed to be bonding with him.
- 271 You have your own father-in-law; leave mine alone.
- 272 Tell you what, you take my father-in-law, I'll take yours.
- 273 I don't want your father-in-law.
- 274 What if I throw in a quarter?
- 275 Do it again.
- 276 Do it again.
- 277 Mrs. Fowler.
- 278 Mrs. Fowler.
- 279 Mrs. Fowler.
- 280 Sheldon, what's going on?
- 281 Where is Larry?
- 282 Oh, Turnip's out; I'm bonding with you.
- 283 Okay, you wanted the truth, here it is.
- 284 You have a drinking problem.
- 285 No. I, uh,

- 286 I have a talking problem, and a drinking solution.
- 287 What does that mean?
- 288 (sighs)
- 289 Oh, Anu, for most of my life,
- 290 I got so nervous around women that I couldn't talk to them without alcohol.
- 291 So you've been drunk every time we've seen each other?
- 292 No. No. It hasn't happened in a long time.
- 293 And I really thought I was over it, but I guess... I-I don't know, I guess I-I wanted so much for tonight to go well, that I-I stressed myself out.
- 294 It came back.
- 295 (sighs)
- 296 Why didn't you tell me about this before?
- 297 I was embarrassed.
- 298 I get that.
- 299 If it makes you feel any better, I've got things I'm embarrassed about, too.
- 300 Really? Will you tell me one?
- 301 Okay. Um...
- 302 Ugh. I hate telling people this.
- 303 I don't like music.
- 304 What kind of music?
- 305 Just all of it.
- 306 It sort of seems like a waste of time.
- 307 Even Beyoncé?
- 308 See, this is why I don't tell people.
- 309 No. Um, it's fine. It's just, have you heard "Single Ladies"?
- 310 Yeah, and I don't get it.
- 311 I mean, the lyrics are "Oh, oh, oh, oh, oh, oh."
- 312 Y-You have to sing it in the voice of a goddess.
- 313 Like: Oh, wa-ah, oh
- 314 Wa-ah, oh
- 315 Oh, oh, oh
- 316 Wa-ah, oh.
- 317 (laughs)
- 318 My point is, we both have our little eccentricities.
- 319 Little eccentricities?
- 320 One is a deep-seated psychological disturbance, and the other can be solved by half a glass of chardonnay.
- 321 So the doctor prescribed Nizoral and it blocked enzyme action, and the fungus cleared right up.
- 322 That's a very disturbing picture.
- 323 Yes, well, they say a picture's worth a thousand words, but I say nothing beats a picture and a thousand words.
- 324 Still, you might want to take it off Facebook.
- 325 Oh, no. It's in my nature to share.
- 326 So, your turn.

- 327 Uh, other than Amy, have you every had anything removed from your body?
- 328 I am not going to answer that.
- 329 Smart. Save something for our next get-together.
- 330 Oh, we should commemorate this one with a selfie.
- 331 Oh, look at us, two peas in a pod.
- 332 Oh, speaking of vegetables, how about I start calling you Old Lady Green Beans?
- 333 Hey, you look deep in thought.
- 334 - Ah, I'm just reflecting.
- 335 - About what?
- 336 The first time we slept together.
- 337 Oh, honey. Don't beat yourself up; it's great now.
- 338 This is not good.
- 339 Sheldon is hanging out with my mom.
- 340 Yeah. O-One sec.
- 341 W-What do you mean, "don't beat myself up"?
- 342 AMY: Guys, focus.
- 343 My mom thinks that Sheldon is the reason I don't spend a lot of time with her.
- 344 Well, why would she think that?
- 345 Because I told her.
- 346 You need a cup of coffee?
- 347 Wake up!
- 348 So you've been using Sheldon as an excuse to get out of seeing your mother?
- 349 (sighs) I know.
- 350 I feel terrible.
- 351 I love my mom but, you know, sometimes...
- 352 Yeah. We-We've met her. Yeah.
- 353 And it's easier to say I can't spend time with her because of Sheldon than to admit that I just, I don't want to.
- 354 Totally understandable.
- 355 I'll ask again, what do you mean, "don't beat myself up"?
- 356 And then you ask me questions to try to determine which Nobel Prizewinning physicist I am.
- 357 Ready? Go.
- 358 Can I give up?
- 359 No. questions left.
- 360 (ringtone playing)
- 361 Are you gonna get that?
- 362 Oh, no. We're in the middle of a game.
- 363 questions left.
- 364 Answer the phone, Sheldon.
- 365 Hello, Amy.
- 366 Hey, how's it going?

- 367 Well, Howard lured your dad away with magic, so now I'm bonding with your mom.
- 368 I think she likes me.
- 369 I'd like you a lot better if you weren't keeping my daughter away from me.
- 370 Uh, wh- Hang on, Amy.
- 371 What's the problem, Green Beans?
- 372 Amy said she couldn't come to Thanksgiving dinner because you always have to spend it with your mother.
- 373 I haven't spent Thanksgiving with my mother in years.
- 374 Amy, why would you tell your mother that I spend Thanksgiving with my mother?
- 375 Uh, no time to talk about that now.
- 376 All your action figures are on fire.
- 377 Harrison Ford's in the lobby.
- 378 Come quick.
- 379 And Amy never joins us for Sunday dinners because you refuse to go out on a school night.
- 380 Sh- I can go out on a school night as long as I'm in my PJs by : .
- 381 Sheldon, don't listen to her.
- 382 She doesn't know what she's talking about.
- 383 She's crazy!
- 384 Hello, Amy.
- 385 Hello, Mother.
- 386 Great news. We-we can come for Thanksgiving this year.
- 387 I can't believe it.
- 388 All this time I've been angry at you when I should have been angry at Amy.
- 389 Look at that.
- 390 We're both angry at Amy.
- 391 Maybe that's something we could bond over.
- 392 Let me ask you this: how do you feel about Howard?
- 393 Oh, is he that odd little friend you have with the haircut?
- 394 I may have married the wrong Fowler.
- 395 Why would Amy feel the need to lie to me?
- 396 Well, perhaps because you're her mother and she didn't want to disappoint you.
- 397 Really?
- 398 Even after she threw you under the bus, you're still gonna defend her.
- 399 Oh, ves.
- 400 She's my wife and I love her.
- 401 And if I can for give her for putting ketchup on her eggs, I can for give her for this.
- 402 Her father does that, it's disgusting.
- 403 Amy's crazy, you are a delight.
- 404 Good morning.
- 405 Mm. Good morning.

- 406 I ordered some coffee for us.
- 407 Oh, fantastic.
- 408 (sighs)
- 409 Last night was... wonderful.
- 410 (sighs) But all we did was talk.
- 411 Yeah. And it was wonderful.
- 412 Am I safe to assume you talking to me now is a good sign for our marriage?
- 413 (chuckles) Yeah, and-and for my liver.
- 414 Hey, about the other thing.
- 415 Um...
- 416 Should we just wait for another night?
- 417 Or I go take a shower, and you decide how you want to play this.
- 418 Take a shower with me, Raj.
- 419 Thank you, Amy.
- 420 It's so nice of you to have us over for dinner.
- 421 (chuckles) Couldn't think of a single reason not to.
- 422 Yeah, and boy, did she try.
- 423 Thank you, honey.
- 424 Oh, you're welcome, dear.
- 425 Would anyone like to see the magic trick Howard taught me?
- 426 I'd love to see your trick, Daddy.
- 427 A perfectly ordinary table knife.
- 428 (exhales)
- 429 Watch closely.
- 430 Voilà.
- 431 Oh, my gosh, that was so good.
- 432 Well, look, there's fake blood, too.
- 433 I'll be right back.
- 434 I don't know about you, but I don't really like magic.
- 435 You just keep getting better and better.

## 4.9 Episode 09: The Citation Negation

- 1 Sheldon, do you want to put the tables after each section or in an appendix at the end?
- 2 You know what?
- 3 We wrote this paper together.
- 4 I think we should decide together that they go in an appendix at the end.
- 5 How about that?
- 6 There is an "I" in "team."
- 7 - Look at what we made.
- 8 - I know.
- 9 It really is the best of both of us.
- 10 It's got my math and your sassy takedown of the fundamental nature of symmetry.
- 11 It's got my bottomless intellectual curiosity and your petulant refusal to

- spell "gray" with an "a" like an American.
- 12 You realize we still have a lot of work to do before we can publish.
- 13 Perhaps we should divide and conquer.
- 14 Now, you track down all the citations and properly note them in our bibliography, and I will roll up my sleeves and decide what font we want to use.
- 15 Sheldon, there are hundreds of citations to track down.
- 16 And thousands of fonts, but you don't hear me complaining.
- 17 I am not gonna spend weeks in a library looking up old papers.
- 18 Can't we hire a grad student to do it?
- 19 Yeah, a grad student?
- 20 I am not trusting our unpublished paper to some millennial.
- 21 They'll put unicorn emojis on it and then post it on social media.
- 22 Why would they do that?
- 23 Economic anxiety, too much avocado toast, who cares?
- 24 Look, the point is, we can't afford to have this paper leaked before we're ready to publish.
- 25 That's how you kiss the Nobel Prize good-bye instead of hello as I intend to do.
- 26 I assume you mean metaphorically.
- 27 Absolutely not. If the King of Sweden hands me a medal, I intend to smear it with Purell and then kiss it.
- 28 But what if we ask one of our friends to help us out?
- 29 How about Leonard?
- 30 Gee, I don't know.
- 31 Can we trust him?
- 32 He's your best friend in the whole world.
- 33 Yes, but he's always struck me as the guy in the plane crash who doesn't wait until you're all the way dead to eat you.
- 34 I think you can trust him.
- 35 Oh, Amy, you never lose that childlike innocence.
- 36 Leonard, I need to tell you something.
- 37 I'm having an affair.
- 38 Okay.
- 39 You have to swear not to tell anybody.
- 40 Okay.
- 41 (stammers)
- 42 You are the only one who knows.
- 43 Uh, well, you and Rita, the cafeteria lady who has been giving me more than Tater Tots.
- 44 Hey, Sheldon.
- 45 Not a word.
- 46 What did he want?
- 47 Oh, nothing. He just concocted some stupid test to see if I can keep a secret.
- 48 Ooh, what's the secret?
- 49 I'm not gonna tell you that.

- 50 The test is stupid, but I still want to pass.
- 51 Our whole universe was in a hot, dense state
- 52 Then nearly billion years ago expansion started... Wait!
- 53 The Earth began to cool
- 54 The autotrophs began to drool, Neanderthals developed tools
- 55 We built the Wall
- 56 We built the pyramids
- 57 Math, Science, History, unraveling the mystery
- 58 That all started with a big bang
- 59 Bang!
- 60 Congratulations, Leonard, you passed my secret loyalty test.
- 61 The truth is, I was never having an affair with the cafeteria lady.
- 62 There's only one woman who gets to touch my no-no parts, and she's right here.
- 63 - Sheldon.
- 64 - No, no.
- 65 Well, I am shocked, Sheldon, because I totally believed that the woman you reported for being stingy with the peas couldn't keep her hands off you.
- 66 Well, I am a little hurt that you weren't gonna tell me my husband was having an affair. I thought we were friends.
- 67 I didn't really believe him.
- 68 Why not? You don't think other women find him attractive?
- 69 (laughing):
- 70 No.
- 71 I suppose you're wondering why I put you through all this.
- 72 You mean the last two minutes or the last years?
- 73 We need to ask you a big favor.
- 74 Well, you've certainly gone about it the right way.
- 75 You know we're almost finished with our paper; we just need help tracking down the citations.
- 76 That's busywork. Can't you just get a grad student to do it?
- 77 No, this paper is incredibly important to us, and we need someone we can trust.
- 78 Please, it would mean a lot.
- 79 Y-You know what? Sure.
- 80 The three of us in the library looking up old papers— that actually could be kind of fun.
- 81 Oh, no, we won't be there.
- 82 It just got more fun.
- 83 (gunfire sound effects)
- 84 Bam, took him out.
- 85 (chuckles)
- 86 Now I'm doing a victory dance to celebrate.
- 87 (funky music plays)
- 88 Where are you?
- 89 About to shoot some dancing jackass.

- 90 Hey!
- 91 And now I'm doing a victory dance.
- 92 What you playing?
- 93 Fortnite.
- 94 A bunch of people parachute onto an island and fight it out to be the last man standing.
- 95 Like Hunger Games?
- 96 More like Bachelor in Paradise, but not as cutthroat.
- 97 Sounds fun. Can I play?
- 98 I don't know if you'd like it.
- 99 It's kind of for gamers.
- 100 Hey, I'm a gamer.
- 101 I play Candy Crush, Bejeweled, and Sesame Street Letter School, which I beat our daughter at every single time.
- 102 All right, give it a shot.
- 103 This one's how you move, this is how you shoot.
- 104 "A" jumps, "B" puts you into build mode.
- 105 And depending on what you want to build, you can use LB, RB, LT, or RT.
- 106 Just put me in, I'll figure it out.
- 107 Oh, sounds like me on our honeymoon.
- 108 Okay, you're skydiving down.
- 109 You're almost to the ground.
- 110 Now, when you land, you're gonna want... (gunfire)
- 111 Okay, you're dead.
- 112 Wait, that's it?
- 113 That wasn't fun at all.
- 114 Oh, now it sounds like you on our honeymoon.
- 115 Thanks for helping with this.
- 116 What are friends for?
- 117 My friend sent me down to this basement to do his grunt work, so I wouldn't know.
- 118 Hey, probably shouldn't say anything, but did you hear about Sheldon and the lunch lady?
- 119 Yeah, uh, that's not true.
- 120 That's just something Sheldon made up to test us.
- 121 I wish I'd known that before I called her a floozy in front of the whole lunch line.
- 122 This is a list of the papers we need to pull.
- 123 Why don't we split up?
- 124 You take half, I take half.
- 125 I don't know, it's pretty creepy down here.
- 126 Maybe we should stay together.
- 127 Come on, Raj, it's just a library.
- 128 You could say that about anything.
- 129 It's just a cemetery.

- 130 It's just a haunted house.
- 131 It's just a portal to hell.
- 132 F-Fine, how about we split up but we stay in constant communication with each other?
- 133 Yeah, thank you.
- 134 Leonard?
- 135 - Still here.
- 136 - Okay.
- 137 - Leonard?
- 138 - Still here.
- 139 Okav.
- 140 Leonard?
- 141 Leonard?
- 142 (Leonard gasps)
- 143 Oh, God!
- 144 Too much dust.
- 145 (gunfire sound effects)
- 146 Hey, ready for lunch?
- 147 Hang on.
- 148 Really, video games?
- 149 Is this some sort of Freaky Friday thing where you're actually Howard?
- 150 Please, if I were Howard, I'd be doing this.
- 151 You know what? He's not wrong.
- 152 All right, great, can we go?
- 153 In a minute. I want to show Howard I can play this game.
- 154 You know, you make a lot more money than he does.
- 155 Can't you just rub his nose in that?
- 156 I can, but I want to rub his nose in this.
- 157 Ugh, damn it, why can't I hit anybody?
- 158 Here, let me try.
- 159 Lots of luck- it's way harder than it looks.
- 160 (explosion)
- 161 Got him.
- 162 Okay, this citation is correct. How you doing?
- 163 Pretty good. I'm just looking through "The Effect of High Energy Muons on Proton Pion Scattering at the National Accelerator..."
- 164 (inhales)
- 165 "...Laboratory."
- 166 Hey, should we take a break?
- 167 No, this actually makes it more exciting.
- 168 We have to get through all of this before I run out of this.
- 169 It's like the movie Speed, but instead of a bus, it's your lungs.
- 170 And instead of Sandra Bullock, it has sadness.
- 171 Why did you pull this Russian paper?
- 172 Oh, it was cited in this paper over here, so I thought we should check it out.

- 173 Mm, it's not translated.
- 174 Maybe we should talk to Howard; his Russian's pretty good.
- 175 We don't need Howard.
- 176 I've got Google Translate.
- 177 Okay, here we go, from Russian to English.
- 178 "Examinations of moose chowder in lemon parachutes."
- 179 Yeah, okay, now I know why this app is free.
- 180 Oh, gosh, my Russian's a little rusty.
- 181 If it helps, this word may be "moose."
- 182 Okay.
- 183 This paper is called "Examinations of a Super-Asymmetric Model of the Universe" by Dr. Vasily Gregora-poli-popivich.
- 184 W-Wait, so Amy and Sheldon weren't the first to think of super-asymmetry?
- 185 No, doesn't look like it. This is from.
- 186 Okay, well, they might need to rename their theory
- 187 "The Cooper-Fowler Gregora-poli-popivich Theory."
- 188 Kind of rolls right off your tongue, doesn't it?
- 189 Sheldon is not gonna be happy about this.
- 190 Well, he's gonna be less happy about this, uh...
- 191 "The super-asymmetric model "is inherently flawed and does not bear the weight of further examination." Hmm.
- 192 So this disproves their theory?
- 193 Sounds like it.
- 194 Oh, how are we gonna tell him?
- 195 That's easy. Just go up to him and say, "Sheldon, Raj has something to tell you."
- 196 Why do I have to tell him?
- 197 You did find it.
- 198 I fou- but he's the one who translated it.
- 199 Okay, okay, h-how about this?
- 200 We all tell him.
- 201 Or even better: you tell him.
- 202 Yeah, that makes the most sense.
- 203 You guys are such cowards.
- 204 Yes, we are.
- 205 Hey, Denise. Is Stuart here?
- 206 Oh, no. Doctor's appointment.
- 207 Oh, is he okay?
- 208 Not since I've known him.
- 209 Which brings up an interesting question.
- 210 You and Stuart. Why?
- 211 I don't know.
- 212 My parents owned a funeral home.
- 213 Read into that what you will.
- 214 What can I help you with?
- 215 I was hoping Stuart could show me how to play Fortnite.

- 216 - Mm, I can teach you.
- 217 - Really, you good?
- 218 Look at my skin. I haven't been outside in six years.
- 219 So you'll coach me?
- 220 Sure. Now let me ask you a question.
- 221 Howard. Why?
- 222 You got eyes- what do you think?
- 223 (sighs)
- 224 (groans)
- 225 (mutters)
- 226 (groans, mutters)
- 227 (groans)
- 228 Wow, I really wish I didn't see this.
- 229 Oh, hey.
- 230 I just need to give Sheldon some bad news, and I really don't want to.
- 231 - Oh, my God. Is everything okay?
- 232 - No, I-I found a paper that proves their theory wrong.
- 233 They thought this was gonna be their Nobel Prize.
- 234 It's gonna break his heart.
- 235 Oh, man. Maybe leave an anonymous note, you know, like in high school, when you want to let your best friend know that her boyfriend's cheating on her.
- 236 Why wouldn't you just tell her that?
- 237 I don't know.
- 238 Maybe you had a hickey.
- 239 I-Isn't it better to get bad news from a friend?
- 240 Trust me, it's not.
- 241 I went to prom with a hickey and a black eye.
- 242 Come on, knock on the door.
- 243 You can do this.
- 244 All right, a-all right, here I go.
- 245 Oh, wait, just let me get inside.
- 246 Why?
- 247 "Why"? Come on.
- 248 (door closes)
- 249 -
- 250 Oh, hey, Leonard.
- 251 Is the podcast too loud?
- 252 I didn't hear a podcast.
- 253 I told you no one could hear it.
- 254 Well, I heard Ira Glass, so he's either in your earbuds or clinging to the ceiling like a gecko.
- 255 Actually, I-I need to talk to both of you about your paper.
- 256 Oh, right, how are the citations coming?
- 257 Well, Raj and I were chasing them down like you asked us to, and, um, we came a-across a, a Russian paper that seems to disprove super-asymmetry.

- 258 Are you sure?
- 259 Yeah, uh, Howard translated it.
- 260 I'm so sorry.
- 261 Sheldon, are you, are you all right?
- 262 Oh, yes, of course.
- 263 Thank you for telling us, Leonard.
- 264 I'm sure that wasn't easy.
- 265 I guess we don't need this anymore.
- 266 (sighs)
- 267 (screams)
- 268 So what are you listening to, This American Life?
- 269 Okay, so walk up to that chest and push X.
- 270 X. Push X.
- 271 Which one's X?
- 272 The one with the X on it.
- 273 Take it easy, I'm new at this.
- 274 What, the alphabet?
- 275 You don't have to be snarky.
- 276 Hey, do you want to play the game, or do you want to crawl back up your mommy's shirt and chow down like a baby?
- 277 Damn, what is wrong with you?
- 278 I'm sorry, I thought you wanted to beat your husband.
- 279 - I do.
- 280 - Well, then suck it up!
- 281 Okay!
- 282 (knocking on door)
- 283 Hi.
- 284 Can I do anything?
- 285 No.
- 286 I can make you some tea, I-I could sing "Soft Kitty."
- 287 I don't understand how you're not more upset by this.
- 288 This is your paper, too.
- 289 I am upset, Sheldon.
- 290 I'm just trying to hold it together for you.
- 291 Like when that goose wouldn't leave us alone at brunch.
- 292 That thing scared you, too?
- 293 Well, of course it did. I was wearing a down jacket.
- 294 Well, I don't need you to pretend to be okay for me.
- 295 If anything, that makes it worse.
- 296 Fine. I'm not okay.
- 297 We came up with this idea at our wedding.
- 298 We poured months of our lives into it.
- 299 I thought we were changing the course of science, and now it's all gone.
- I'm devastated.
- 300 I was wrong, that makes it worse.
- 301 Go back to being happy.

- 302 (gunfire over computer)
- 303 Hey, guys.
- 304 - Hev.
- 305 - Hey.
- 306 You, uh, playing that, what's it called again?
- 307 Fortnow?
- 308 - Fortnite.
- 309 - Right.
- 310 I guess I forgot 'cause I only played it that one time and I was so bad at :-
- 311 Don't beat yourself up.
- 312 It's a hard game.
- 313 Would you mind if I gave it another shot?
- 314 Mm, maybe later, Berna...
- 315 Give me.
- 316 Where are you, Howard, where are you?
- 317 Let me just build a little ramp, get some height.
- 318 You want to press B to go into build—oh, you already did it.
- 319 Did I? I'm just hitting buttons.
- 320 Wee!
- 321 I see your ramp.
- 322 I'm coming for you.
- 323 You can try, but...
- 324 (explosion sound effect)
- 325 Gotcha.
- 326 (chuckles)
- 327 Son of a bitch.
- 328 Want to play again?
- 329 No!
- 330 - Howard.
- 331 - What?
- 332 I make more money than you.
- 333 You got yourself a good one there, buddy.
- 334 So neither of them showed up for work today?
- 335 No, I tried calling and no one picked up.
- 336 Look, I'm sure they're fine.
- 337 They were probably up all night coming up with a new theory.
- 338 I-I also texted to see if he wanted to go to the new Fantastic Beasts movie and he didn't respond.
- 339 All right, well, they're already dead. There's nothing we can do.
- 340 SHELDON: Come in.
- 341 PENNY: Hey...
- 342 You guys look all comfy.
- 343 Did-did you take the day off?
- 344 It's Saturday.
- 345 No, it's not.

- 346 Great, another thing we're wrong about.
- 347 How many does that make, Amy?
- 348 Two.
- 349 Two things.
- 350 What happened to us?
- 351 I'll tell you what happened.
- 352 Professor Gregoropovich.
- 353 I-I think it's Gregora-poli-popivich, but...
- 354 Three.
- 355 Look, you guys, you had a, you had a setback, you know?
- 356 This is the time you got to dig in and-and try harder.
- 357 It's like halftime and you're down by seven.
- 358 What are you doing?
- 359 All right, it's-it's like Bat-halftime and you're down by Bat-seven.
- 360 Let me try.
- 361 You-you guys can't just give up.
- 362 Uh, individually, you are the smartest people I know.
- 363 Together, you can do anything.
- 364 I appreciate what you're trying to do but please stop.
- 365 You can't make this better.
- 366 - All right, Amy, listen...
- 367 - I'm with Sheldon.
- 368 We worked our butts off on this paper and it was all for nothing.
- 369 And if you think some pep talk can fix that, then you don't understand how much this meant to us.
- 370 Is there anything we can do?
- 371 No.
- 372 Yeah- wait.
- 373 Do I smell Siam Palace?
- 374 Oh, yeah, it's our dinner.
- 375 I mean, it's your dinner.
- 376 Any mango sticky rice?
- 377 PENNY: No.
- 378 And the blows keep coming.
- 379 I see you. I see you... and boom.
- 380 (explosion sound effect)
- 381 Gotcha! How's it feel, Penny?
- 382 Like I don't care at all.
- 383 Wrong, it feels bad because you lost and I won.
- 384 Whoo! What a rush!
- 385 All right, can we go eat now?
- 386 - Hell yeah.
- 387 - All right.
- 388 Hey, how's it going?
- 389 Boom!
- 390 Okay, I'm-I'm gonna drive.

## 4.10 Episode 10: The VCR Illumination

- 1 Previously on The Big Bang Theory...
- 2 Actually, I-I need to talk to both of you about your paper.
- 3 Oh, right, how are the citations coming?
- 4 Um...
- 5 We came a-across a-a Russian paper that seems to disprove super-asymmetry.
- 6 (screams)
- 7 Okay, Sheldon and Amy are still pretty upset about their theory being disproved.
- 8 So we have made a list of subjects for everyone to avoid.
- 9 - Symmetry.
- 10 - Asymmetry.
- 11 Uh, SimCity- sounds too much like symmetry.
- 12 LEONARD: That also applies to The Simpsons, Simba from The Lion King, and cymbals.
- 13 Russia or Russian in any context.
- 14 The country, the dressing, the roulette.
- 15 Uh, also no talk of Rocky IV.
- 16 Why Rocky IV?
- 17 Because he fights a Russian.
- 18 I'm sorry about her.
- 19 (chuckles)
- 20 We should just try and avoid anything that makes them think of their project or science or Nobel Prizes or successes or failures.
- 21 - Hi.
- 22 ALL: Hi!
- 23 Hey, guys.
- 24 Hey-a!
- 25 What are you guys doing?
- 26 Nothing.
- 27 Nothing?
- 28 Like what my career has come to? Thanks a lot.
- 29 Nice going.
- 30 Our whole universe was in a hot, dense state
- 31 Then nearly billion years ago expansion started... Wait!
- 32 The Earth began to cool
- 33 The autotrophs began to drool, Neanderthals developed tools
- 34 We built the Wall
- 35 We built the pyramids
- 36 Math, Science, History, unraveling the mystery
- 37 That all started with a big bang
- 38 Bang!
- 39 (music playing)
- 40 What are you doing?
- 41 Eating, reading, watching television, listening to the radio.

- 42 What does it look like I'm doing?
- 43 Is that asparagus? I thought you hate asparagus.
- 44 I thought so, too, but I also thought super-asymmetry was a good idea, so what else am I wrong about?
- 45 Oh, so now you're reevaluating every opinion you've ever had?
- 46 Yes. I am following the example of th century philosopher René Descartes.
- 47 He subjected all his beliefs to radical doubt so that he could build a bedrock belief and build his cognitive life back up on firm principles.
- 48 Ugh! Still yucky, still yucky.
- 49 (music stops)
- 50 Sheldon, I know you're upset about the paper, okay.
- 51 I'm upset, too.
- 52 I mean, I was so sure we were right.
- 53 Every fiber of my being felt like this was it.
- 54 This was the one. How can I trust my instincts anymore?
- 55 Well, just because our theory was wrong, that doesn't mean you're wrong about everything.
- 56 Doesn't it? I've always thought I hated jazz, maybe I was wrong.
- 57 Maybe it's great to hear all the notes at once.
- 58 (music playing)
- 59 I'm trying, I'm really trying!
- 60 - What you eating?
- 61 - Chicken fried steak.
- 62 What? You can't have chicken fried steak first thing in the morning.
- 63 - Hey,
- 64 you knew I was a bad boy when you married me.
- 65 Come on, you want a piece of this?
- 66 You or the steak?
- 67 Me.
- 68 I'm not sharing the steak.
- 69 (knocking)
- 70 Hey, you guys busy?
- 71 No, what's going on?
- 72 I'm really worried about Sheldon.
- 73 I've never seen him this down.
- 74 Have you tried making him a cup of tea?
- 75 He's reevaluated tea.
- 76 Now he thinks it's nothing but leaf soup.
- 77 That's a good point.
- 78 - No, it's not.
- 79 - No, it's not.
- 80 He's rethinking everything.
- 81 How long is it gonna be before he gets to me?
- 82 - Oh.
- 83 - It's that bad, huh?
- 84 I'm afraid so. I just... I don't know what to do.

- 85 I have something that might help.
- 86 It's-it's a recording of the only person whose opinion Sheldon actually respects.
- 87 Hawking?
- 88 Feynman?
- 89 No, himself.
- 90 It's a pep talk he made when he was a kid.
- 91 He gave it to me years ago and told me to save it for a real emergency.
- 92 What?
- 93 You didn't break it out when he declared his room a sovereign nation and waged a trade war against us?
- 94 His major export is talking.
- 95 I didn't want that anyway.
- 96 Is that a VCR?
- 97 Yeah, Amy asked if we had one she could borrow and I just want to make sure it still works.
- 98 What's on the tape?
- 99 Not sure. I used to record a lot of Jeopardy! for my mom, but if I push play and you see some naked people...
- 100 Got it.
- 101 What is p0rn?
- 102 Ooh, we were looking for "vintage's erotica," but I'll accept it.
- 103 WOLOWITZ: Hello, everybody.
- 104 I am The Great Howdini.
- 105 (coughing)
- 106 Put it back on. You look adorable.
- 107 It's just a practice tape from when I was trying to become a member of the Magic Castle.
- 108 I didn't know you auditioned there.
- 109 Oh, I never went through with it.
- 110 I watched the tape and realized I wasn't good enough.
- 111 You know that trick where you saw a mannequin in half?
- 112 Don't you mean a lady?
- 113 - Thank God it was not a lady.
- 114 I'd just be getting out of jail.
- 115 Come on, you're a good magician.
- 116 Really? You always called magic dumb.
- 117 You can be good at something dumb.
- 118 - You know what, you should audition now.
- 119 - It's fine.
- 120 I don't need to be a member of the most elite magical society on the face of the earth.
- 121 Sounds like you still want it.
- 122 And I don't want our kids to watch this tape one day and think their dad is a quitter.
- 123 Oh, we don't have to show it to them.

- 124 Oh, I'm definitely showing it to them.
- 125 Hey.
- 126 Hello.
- 127 "Fine with flags"?
- 128 Yes, flags- up there flapping around on poles.
- 129 If you think about it, they're just the strippers of the emblem world.
- 130 Well, I got something that I think might cheer you up.
- 131 It is the emergency pep talk you made when you were a kid.
- 132 Oh, that.
- 133 I was saving it for the day they stop making Star Wars movies.
- 134 I don't think that's ever gonna happen.
- 135 How long has it been since you've seen it?
- 136 Not since the day I recorded it.
- 137 No, I had just watched Back to the Future II, where Marty McFly gets a glimpse of his future self and that got me thinking, the day may come where I needed my help, like they did with that movie.
- 138 That was not great.
- 139 Okay, all hooked up.
- 140 Here we go.
- 141 Oh, look how cute you were.
- 142 Amy please, of course I was cute. Look how I turned out.
- 143 Hello, Sheldon.
- 144 Hello, Sheldon.
- 145 If you're watching this, I assume something bad has happened.
- 146 Something unfortunate and unforeseen.
- 147 Something that's making you question everything.
- 148 I'm so smart.
- 149 Now just to make sure it's really you watching this and not an imposter,
- what am I thinking of?
- 150 On the count of three.
- 151 One, two, three.
- 152 Robot monkey butler.
- 153 Robot monkey butler.
- 154 Okay, good.
- 155 Should I leave you two alone?
- 156 No, this is gonna be inspiring.
- 157 You should watch.
- 158 Sheldon, never forget, no matter how bad things seem,
- 159 vou can Al...
- 160 What? What...
- 161 No. N... (scoffs)
- 162 My dad taped over it with one of his stupid high school football games.
- 163 Sorry.
- 164 You know, it doesn't matter, nothing matters.
- 165 Is there anything I can do?
- 166 Yes. You can build me a time machine so I can go back and tell my

younger self to give up, because nothing's gonna work out the way he wants.

- 167 I was thinking a nice cup of leaf soup.
- 168 What's all this?
- 169 Your magic tricks from the garage.
- 170 Your wands, your top hat with the stuffed mouse inside.
- 171 I never had a stuffed mouse.
- 172 Okay, do not wear this hat.
- 173 Why is it all in the living room?
- 174 Because I think The Great How dini deserves to be a member of the Magic Castle.
- 175 That's sweet, but I'm not that guy anymore.
- 176 I've outgrown it.
- 177 Have you?
- 178 Look, I know you still want this, and I can help you.
- 179 All those pageants I did as a kid-
- 180 I could teach you how to present yourself, connect with the judges, sabotage the competition.
- 181 Whoa, whoa, no one's sabotaging anybody.
- 182 Of course not.
- 183 Little girls in ball gowns trip, it happens.
- 184 Trust me, I'm gonna be the pageant mom to you that my mom was to me.
- 185 I thought you hated your mom for making you do that.
- 186 More talk like that and you're not getting any dinner.
- 187 Amazing how it all comes back.
- 188 (Skype ringing)
- 189 Yes?
- 190 - Hello, Mother.
- 191 - Hey, Beverly.
- 192 Hello, Leonard.
- 193 Hello, Penny.
- 194 To what do I owe this call?
- 195 I need your professional advice.
- 196 Well, I'd love to help you out, dear, but I'm very busy at the moment.
- 197 Perhaps we can schedule a time next week.
- 198 It's about Sheldon.
- 199 Oh, well, I-I suppose
- 200 I can spare a minute or two.
- 201 Wh-Why did you just say you're too busy, but...
- 202 Leonard, please, not everything is about you.
- 203 Penny, go on.
- 204 Well, ever since his paper got disproven, he's been a wreck.
- 205 He's been sad and... and angry.
- 206 He just seems kind of broken.
- 207 Well, it sounds like he may be grieving.
- 208 Really?
- 209 - Over a theory?

- 210 - Of course.
- 211 You can grieve over any emotional loss.
- 212 The more you care about something, the greater the trauma of losing it.
- 213 Oh, boy.
- 214 He cared about this a lot.
- 215 Yeah. What can we do to help him?
- 216 Well, grieving is a process.
- 217 Every culture has its own rituals and traditions to facilitate mourning.
- 218 The ancient Egyptians had their mummification, the Tibetans had their sky funerals...
- 219 And when I was little and my dog died, my mom sat me down and very gently told me that she wished the truck had hit my dad instead.
- 220 I was trying to lighten the mood.
- 221 Your dog had just died.
- 222 Howard and I have been working really hard on his audition, so it'll be helpful to get another set of eyes on it.
- 223 Well, as someone who has watched every episode of America's Got Talent, I'm getting pretty good at telling when some American's got talent.
- 224 Seriously, Heidi and I agree, like, 225 All right.
- 226 Don't be afraid to be brutally honest.
- 227 Like my mom used to say when I was doing pageants, "Tears only make your eyes sparkle brighter."
- 228 That is both sad and true.
- 229 Half my Instagram is after a good cry.
- 230 Howie, you ready?
- 231 WOLOWITZ (flat): Yeah.
- 232 I now present The Great Howdini.
- 233 (music playing)
- 234 I've got magic to do, just for you
- 235 I've got miracle plays to play
- 236 I've got parts to perform, hearts to warm
- 237 Kings and things to take by storm
- 238 As we go along our
- 239 Way.
- 240 Hello. I'm The Great Howdini from Altadena, California.
- 241 I have no brothers or sisters and my favorite thing to eat is grilled cheese.
- 242 When does the magic start?
- 243 It already started.
- 244 Hev.
- 245 Hi. How are you guys doing?
- 246 A little better, if you can believe it.
- 247 Sheldon?
- 248 (muffled): Go away.
- 249 Buddy, come on, let us help you.
- 250 The only person who could help me was erased by the Medford High Wolves.

- 251 Oh, that's funny. My high school was also the wolves.
- 252 No? Not now? Okay.
- 253 LEONARD: Look, t-this might seem strange, but, uh, we thought it might help you get some closure if you had a chance to properly say good-bye to your paper.
- 254 Yeah, you know, we could say a few words, you could talk about what it meant to you and-and we could bury it somewhere.
- 255 You mean have a funeral for our theory?
- 256 Yeah.
- 257 That's ridiculous.
- 258 I thought so, too, but my mom thought it might work.
- 259 Beverly thought it would help?
- 260 We should try it.
- 261 Wha- How come when you thought it was my idea...
- 262 SHELDON: (stammers) Leonard, please, this is not about you.
- 263 I guess we could bury it in the park.
- 264 Yeah, where dogs do their business and other dogs sniff that business?
- 265 I don't think so.
- 266 What would you like to do, Sheldon?
- 267 The only fitting send-off: a Viking funeral.
- 268 You mean, like, push it out into a lake and shoot it with a flaming arrow?
- 269 This guy gets it.
- 270 How about a bathtub and a match?
- 271 How about a bathtub and a flaming arrow?
- 272 How about a bathtub, a match and an ice-cold Yoo-hoo after?
- 273 Sold.
- 274 (sighs)
- 275 Would you like to say something?
- 276 Y-Yes, thank you.
- 277 I know this is just a scientific theory, but to me, it was more than that.
- 278 It described the universe in a new and beautiful way.
- 279 I want that to be the universe we live in, but I guess it's not.
- 280 Amy, would you like to shoot the arrow?
- 281 It's kind of beautiful, isn't it?
- 282 Yeah, it is.
- 283 It's getting kind of close to the curtain.
- 284 It's in water, it's fine.
- 285 - Oh!
- 286 - Oh!
- 287 Oh!
- 288 Looks like we both had theories that were wrong.
- 289 PENNY: Okay...
- 290 Are you getting sick?
- 291 No, I have glitter in my nose.
- 292 Just your nose?
- 293 Consider yourself lucky.

- 294 Hey, I'm gonna take tomorrow off
- 295 so we can spend the whole day running the act.
- 296 You know what, it has been so much fun working on this with you, but...
- 297 - But what?
- 298 It hasn't.
- 299 I'm not gonna audition.
- 300 Hey, I didn't raise a quitter.
- 301 You didn't raise me at all.
- 302 Look.
- 303 I get that you're scared, but we just have to push past that.
- 304 I'm not scared.
- 305 I don't like the act.
- 306 It's over-the-top and weird and has more jazz hands than magic.
- 307 Why didn't you say something earlier?
- 308 You seemed like you were so happy, and then when I tried to say something, you seemed like you were so mad.
- 309 Hey, this isn't about me.
- 310 I just wanted you to have your dream, and I wanted to control everything about how you looked and acted so that your victory was mine.
- 311 Well, that's honest.
- 312 But if I'm gonna go through with this, I have to do it my own way.
- 313 I respect that, and I'm glad that I helped lead you to this moment.
- 314 Stop trying to make this your victory!
- 315 (crowd cheering, whistle blowing over TV)
- 316 Why are you watching that?
- 317 I'm just looking to see if there's anything left of your speech.
- 318 It's not important.
- 319 I remember everything I said.
- 320 And?
- 321 It was good, it just would've meant more coming from me.
- 322 All right, bring it in.
- 323 Is that your dad?
- 324 It is.
- 325 I've only seen pictures of him.
- 326 I know we're down, by a lot.
- 327 And if I'm being honest with you, we're probably not gonna win this one.
- 328 In fact, we're definitely not gonna win this one.
- 329 Do you want me to turn it off?
- 330 But we're not gonna quit, either.
- 331 And if we do lose, you need to know that doesn't make you losers.
- 332 You learn as much about who you are and what you're made of
- 333 from failing as you do from success.
- 334 Maybe more.
- 335 So you can spend the next half feeling sorry for yourselves, or you can get out there and give them hell.
- 336 Yeah! Let's give them hell!

- 337 Oh- watch your mouth, your mom might...
- 338 I remember that game.
- 339 Did they win?
- 340 Oh, no.
- 341 No, they lost so bad, the other team
- 342 let one of their cheerleaders try to kick a field goal.
- 343 Well, that was a nice speech.
- 344 Too bad it didn't work.
- 345 Maybe it did.
- 346 What do you mean?
- 347 I've been acting like the game is over, but it's only halftime.
- 348 And there's a lot more physics left to play.
- 349 Wow, was that your first ever sports metaphor?
- 350 It was.
- 351 And I think it was a home run.
- 352 That's two.
- 353 It's interesting.
- 354 I've always thought that my father's journey and my own were so different, but he also faced failure and setbacks.
- 355 Maybe our lives mirrored each other more than I thought.
- 356 So, from one viewpoint, you and your father's lives are asymmetrical, but from another vantage point, they're symmetrical.
- 357 Sheldon, what if symmetry and asymmetry are observer-relative?
- 358 That would mean that the Russian paper was right...
- 359 But only from one perspective.
- 360 If we look at it from a deeper view in more dimensions, our theory still stands.
- 361 Not only stands, i-it might be an even bigger idea than the one we were originally proposing.
- 362 Go get your laptop.
- 363 We have a paper to fix.
- 364 (chuckles):
- 365 Okay.
- 366 Thanks, Dad.
- 367 We're gonna give them hell.
- 368 Hi, I'm The Great Howdini, and it's an honor to be auditioning at the Magic Castle.
- 369 Could I borrow your watch, sir?
- 370 - Sure.
- 371 - Thank you.
- 372 Ooh, Rolex, fancy.
- 373 I'll get it right back to you.
- 374 Observe: one very expensive watch, one wooden mallet.
- 375 Do I dare? I do.
- 376 Would you be amazed if your watch survived that pounding?
- 377 I think you would- behold.

## 4.11 Episode 11: The Paintball Scattering

- 1 Champagne, a champagne,
- 2 a champagne with a packet of Splenda in it.
- 3 - You know what I call this drink?
- 4 - A waste of champagne?
- 5 No. A Dr. Cooper.
- 6 Because...
- 7 He's also sweet and bubbly.
- 8 All right.
- 9 A... a toast to Sheldon and Amy and the publication of your superasymmetry paper.
- 10 We are so proud of you guys.
- 11 - Cheers. Thanks.
- 12 - Yay. Boom.
- 13 Ooh! That is PhD-licious.
- 14 So, have you guys gotten any feedback yet?
- 15 Well, there are some comments online, but we haven't read them.
- 16 We decided we don't care what people say about our work.
- 17 PENNY: Good for you.
- 18 People online can be so mean.
- 19 I posted a picture of myself on Instagram, and some jerk said I looked so skinny I might disappear.
- 20 And yet, somehow she soldiers on.
- 21 Mm.
- 22 Although, Amy and I did give the world a gift.
- 23 It would be nice to read some of the thank-you notes.
- 24 I'm surprised you're interested in some stranger's opinion.
- 25 Well, as I always say, a stranger's just a friend who hasn't complimented me yet.
- 26 AMY:
- 27 Okav.
- 28 - I'll read them.
- 29 - If any of them
- 30 accuse you of being too pretty, Penny can help you through it.
- 31 Okay, here's one from Dr. Saltzberg at UCLA.
- 32 Wait, no, stop. I don't want to know.
- 33 What if he's mean?
- 34 Well, what if he's complimentary?
- 35 I want to know.
- 36 Okay. He says...
- 37 - I don't want to know.
- 38 - All right, just... let me see it.
- 39 Okay, this is... this is really positive.
- 40 Wow, it's,
- 41 like, really positive.

- 42 He says it might be the discovery of the decade.
- 43 He's right.
- 44 They love it!
- 45 This is so exciting.
- 46 Oh, this may be the Dr. Cooper talking, but pour me another Dr. Cooper.
- 47 Our whole universe was in a hot, dense state
- 48 Then nearly billion years ago expansion started... Wait!
- 49 The Earth began to cool
- 50 The autotrophs began to drool, Neanderthals developed tools
- 51 We built the Wall
- 52 We built the pyramids
- 53 Math, Science, History, unraveling the mystery
- 54 That all started with a big bang
- 55 Bang!
- 56 Hey, Penny and I were thinking of getting a big paintball game together.
- 57 (groans): Oh, Leonard, why does she want to shoot you?
- 58 She doesn't want to shoot me.
- 59 - Who doesn't want to shoot you?
- 60 - Penny.
- 61 No, that doesn't sound right.
- 62 She just wants to play paintball.
- 63 It combines my love of whimsy with her love of making grown men cry.
- 64 Sounds fun.
- 65 Bernadette and I are in.
- 66 You don't need to ask her?
- 67 No. I've been pretty annoying lately.
- 68 She's gonna want to shoot me.
- 69 Dr. Cooper.
- 70 Ah, President Siebert.
- 71 What are you doing in the regular cafeteria?
- 72 You're a superstar.
- 73 No offense, worker bees.
- 74 SIEBERT: You should join me in my private dining room.
- 75 Dr. Fowler is already there.
- 76 Can I bring my friends?
- 77 No.
- 78 - Can I bring my tater tots?
- 79 - Yes.
- 80 All right, let's go.
- 81 Welcome to the inner sanctum.
- 82 Oh, I do love a good sanctum.
- 83 Sheldon, look at my fruit plate.
- 84 It's got kiwi on it.
- 85 Ugh. I don't like kiwi.
- 86 Neither do I, but it's so fancy.
- 87 Well, this is nice.

- 88 Why have we waited so long to do this?
- 89 Because you never invited us.
- 90 Ha-ha-ha!
- 91 Well, the important thing is you're here now, and we're so excited about your work.
- 92 This paper's going to do big things for all of us,
- 93 so if there's anything that you need...
- 94 You know, actually, I could use some barbecue sauce for my tots.
- 95 Oh, wait. No. Ketchup.
- 96 Can we have some barbecue sauce and ketchup over here?
- 97 Both?
- 98 So this is how the other half lives.
- 99 I just want you to know that you have our full support, and we're organizing a big media push.
- 100 Articles.
- 101 Interviews.
- 102 Oh, you want us to do interviews?
- 103 Well, we're thinking a divide-and-conquer approach here, where you do the interviews, and Sheldon stays here and holds down the fort.
- 104 You know... in case there's an emergency.
- 105 What kind of an emergency would there be in physics?
- 106 I don't know, maybe there's an object in motion that won't stay in motion.
- 107 Or a reaction that's equal but not opposite.
- 108 It sounds like you don't want Sheldon to do the interviews.
- 109 It's not that we don't want Sheldon to do the interviews, it's just that we really want you to do the interviews.
- 110 Without Sheldon.
- 111 (stammers)
- 112 Now, wait, wait, are you trying to exclude me?
- 113 Look, Sheldon, you're a brilliant man, but your people skills are...
- 114 This is not barbecue sauce!
- 115 This is steak sauce!
- 116 What are you trying to pull?
- 117 Like that.
- 118 This is ridiculous.
- 119 It is my work, too, and I am perfectly capable of keeping it together for an interview
- 120 Okay. Say somebody asks if you feel your work is derivative of the work of Professor Joseph Polchinski.
- 121 Seriously, can we get this man some barbecue sauce!?
- 122 Would you mind stocking these?
- 123 Actually, I'm not on the clock today.
- 124 I'm just hanging out with my boyfriend.
- 125 Ah, cool. Huh.
- 126 That's me, right?
- 127 Oh, I forgot to tell you-

- 128 I broke up with you, and now I'm dating... that guy.
- 129 I know you're joking, but my flight-or-flight response doesn't.
- 130 Isn't it fight-or-flight?
- 131 Not for me.
- 132 So I told my mom she just needed to back off.
- 133 This is our wedding, and if anyone's gonna design the floral arrangements, it's going to be my man.
- 134 Thank you.
- 135 I mean, I-I'm not trying to be a groomzilla, but... this is my specialty.
- 136 (phone rings)
- 137 Someone texting you?
- 138 Uh, no. It's just my, uh, doorbell camera.
- 139 Oh. I got one of those for my place, but I never installed it.
- 140 Oh, it's easy.
- 141 I can do it for you.
- 142 You're gonna love it.
- 143 It's how I found out a raccoon was stealing my cheese-of-the-month club.
- 144 What did you do?
- 145 Nothing. I didn't want to piss it off.
- 146 It was, like, huge from eating all the cheese.
- 147 Hey. We're doing a big paintball game on Saturday if you two want to join.
- 148 Oh, my roommate asked me to help her move out on Saturday.
- 149 Ugh. That sucks.
- 150 Sucks for her.
- 151 I'm playing paintball.
- 152 I-I didn't know your roommate was moving out.
- 153 Yeah. I've been looking for a new one, but... so far no luck.
- 154 You hear that?
- 155 She needs a roommate.
- 156 (mumbling)
- 157 (mumbling)
- 158 What do you think, Stuart?
- 159 (mumbling):
- 160 Uh, i-i-it, uh...
- 161 Flight.
- 162 Flight.
- 163 - That was hard to watch.
- 164 - Yeah.
- 165 Okay, I need you to be honest with me.
- 166 How do I look?
- 167 A little shorter, but as we age that happens to all of us.
- 168 Come on, help me out here.
- 169 I've got a bunch of interviews today.
- 170 Well, no one'll notice.
- 171 They never met you before.

- 172 Sheldon, I'm nervous, and I wish you were coming with me.
- 173 If it helps, I wrote up some possible questions and answers for you.
- 174 "Whom do you love more, "Sheldon the scientist or Sheldon the man?
- 175 "Answer: Sheldon the scientist, but by such a slim margin that it's statistically insignificant."
- 176 Well, you really managed to capture my voice.
- 177 Well, don't worry. I'm sure you're gonna do great.
- 178 Thank you.
- 179 - Okay, bye.
- 180 - Wait-wait-wait.
- 181 - You forgot the cards.
- 182 - Love you, too.
- 183 Really? She asked you to move in with her?
- 184 Yeah, she was hinting around about it, but I think I handled it pretty well.
- 185 "Pretty well"?
- 186 You ran out of there so fast, if it was a cartoon, there would have been a Stuart-shaped hole in the wall.
- 187 Was she mad?
- 188 Uh, no. I talked to her after.
- 189 She said she's fine.
- 190 - Oh, no. Yikes!
- 191 - You'll find someone new.
- 192 (phone rings)
- 193 Everything okay?
- 194 Yeah, it's just Anu's doorbell camera.
- 195 I helped her install it.
- 196 You can't look at it.
- 197 That's spying.
- 198 Who the hell is this guy?
- 199 Ooh, let me see.
- 200 He's got... bags.
- 201 He's probably just delivering food.
- 202 Why is she hugging him?
- 203 Maybe she doesn't have tip money?
- 204 W-Wait, why is she inviting him into the house?
- 205 She's a good tipper?
- 206 Do you ever feel guilty that we get to eat in the fancy dining room while our friends have to eat in the regular one?
- 207 Yes. Wait, did you say "guilty" or "happy"?
- 208 "Guilty."
- 209 Oh, then no.
- 210 In fact, take a picture of me with the garlic knots to send them.
- 211 There's my MVP-
- 212 Most Valuable Physicist.
- 213 (chuckles): Thank you.

- 214 And my star of NPR Science Friday and a potpourri of popular podcasts.
- 215 I don't know if I'd use the word "star."
- 216 I would. I got an early look at the interview you did for Wired, and it is glowing.
- 217 They loved you.
- 218 That's great.
- 219 Thanks for telling me.
- 220 Congratulations, Amy.
- 221 - I'm so proud of you.
- 222 - And that headline-
- 223 "The Neurobiologist Who Revolutionized Physics."
- 224 I'm sorry.
- 225 The who who did what to—huh?
- 226 Oh, hey, how did your interview go?
- 227 Okay, I guess.
- 228 You don't sound very happy.
- 229 Oh, why wouldn't she be happy?
- 230 She's the neurobiologist who revolutionized physics.
- 231 Sorry.
- 232 This should be fun. I've never played before.
- 233 Oh, fair warning- it can get pretty ugly out there.
- 234 Okay, well, remember, I'm your fiancée.
- 235 (laughing):
- 236 Oh, I remember. Do you?
- 237 All right, we need two teams.
- 238 Who wants to be the captain?
- 239 Oh, me.
- 240 Uh, sure.
- 241 Why not?
- 242 All right, why don't you pick first?
- 243 Okay, um... Leonard.
- 244 Yeah?
- 245 No, I'm picking you.
- 246 First? For a team?
- 247 What is happening?
- 248 All right,
- 249 I take Bernadette.
- 250 Really?
- 251 You're picking her over me?
- 252 Yeah, 'cause she's vicious and can hide behind a mushroom.
- 253 Um... Sheldon.
- 254 PENNY:
- 255 Raj.
- 256 DENISE:
- 257 Amy.
- 258 PENNY:

- 259 I'll take Anu.
- 260 Howard.
- 261 All rightie.
- 262 Come on, pick me, pick me.
- 263 I will take... Stuart!
- 264 Yes!
- 265 Okay, guys, we need some people to stay here and guard the flag and some people to move out and try to capture theirs.
- 266 Okay. Sheldon, do you want to stay here and...?
- 267 What? Hold down the fort?
- 268 'Cause that's all I'm good for.
- 269 Is that what you were going to say?
- 270 You know that's not what he meant.
- 271 Oh, why don't you go out there?
- 272 Maybe you'll be the neurobiologist who revolutionizes paintball.
- 273 Stop it.
- 274 You're being ridiculous.
- 275 Am I? Maybe it's just my poor people skills.
- 276 Oh, it's definitely your poor people skills.
- 277 All right, the choices are—get shot at or stay here and listen to them fight.
- 278 LEONARD and DENISE and WOLOWITZ: Shot at.
- 279 (distant shooting)
- 280 (grunts, pants)
- 281 This is pretty exciting, sneaking around like this.
- 282 Oh, so you like sneaking around.
- 283 Good to know.
- 284 What's that supposed to mean?
- 285 Nothing. Never mind.
- 286 Let me see if the coast is clear.
- 287 See anybody?
- 288 Yes, I saw a strange man going into your house the other night!
- 289 What?
- 290 But out there, there's nobody.
- 291 (panting)
- 292 Öw!
- 293 I'm hit.
- 294 (paintball shot)
- 295 Ow!
- 296 I said I was hit!
- 297 Sorry.
- 298 Ow!
- 299 Why do you keep shooting me?
- 300 Why don't you want to move in with me?
- 301 I-I didn't say I didn't want to.
- 302 No, you just ran away.
- 303 Stuart?

- 304 Stuart?!
- 305 Did you run away again?
- 306 STUART
- 307 (in distance): No!
- 308 Bang, you're out.
- 309 What?! I'm not out.
- 310 You didn't even shoot me.
- 311 I'm not gonna shoot you from right here.
- 312 It's too close.
- 313 It's gonna hurt.
- 314 Oh, come on. It's not gonna hurt that bad.
- 315 I'm telling you, from this distance it's gonna... Ow!
- 316 See? That hurt!
- 317 All right. Fine, you can shoot me.
- 318 - No, I'm not gonna shoot you.
- 319 - Ow!
- 320 Ow! Ow!
- 321 Aah, you were right.
- 322 We're way too close.
- 323 See, I told you it's gonna hurt...
- 324 Ow!
- 325 I can't believe you're taking this out on me.
- 326 I was just trying to get publicity for our paper.
- 327 By making it seem like it was your idea?
- 328 I didn't write the headline, Sheldon.
- 329 Did you even read the article?
- 330 Because I talk about you continuously.
- 331 I know, and it just made you sound modest and charming.
- 332 AMY: Why can't you just be proud of me?
- 333 I am proud of you.
- 334 Really? Because you sound jealous.
- 335 Well, I'm that, too.
- 336 I've seen Inside Out.
- 337 I know I can feel two things at once.
- 338 - Ow!
- 339 - Ow!
- 340 Well, now I feel three things.
- 341 Hey.
- 342 Who shot you?
- 343 Oh. Uh, oh...
- 344 Denise, uh, Denise, Denise, Denise, Denise,
- 345 Denise, Denise, Denise,
- 346 Denise, Denise, Denise, Denise
- 347 and me when I was running from Denise.
- 348 What is up with you two?
- 349 Well, it's kind of hard to explain. Uh, you know when things are going

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great, but you worry that any minute you might screw everything up?
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- 350 - No.
- 351 - Yes.
- 352 If you really like her, you can't let fear get in the way.
- 353 You have to move forward.
- 354 And at a certain point, the fear of losing her goes away?
- 355 I will let you know.
- 356 - You were spying on me?
- 357 - That is not the point.
- 358 The point is who was that man?
- 359 Fine. That was my ex-boyfriend.
- 360 Some of his stuff was still at my house, and he stopped by to pick it up.
- 361 And did you give it to him?
- 362 Did you give him his stuff?
- 363 If "stuff" means  $\mathbf{s}^*\mathbf{x},$  then no.
- 364 If "stuff" means his Waterpik, then yes!
- 365 I got the flag!
- 366 I'm gonna make a run for it.
- 367 Cover me!
- 368 So you're still talking to your ex-boyfriend?
- 369 Yes, and I'm not gonna apologize for that.
- 370 And you need to delete that app from your phone.
- 371 Because you're hiding something from me?
- 372 No, because you should trust me!
- 373 How can I trust you?! I barely even know you!
- 374 Then what are we doing?
- 375 Why are we planning a wedding?
- 376 I don't know.
- 377 - (paintball hits)
- 378 - DENISE: Aah,
- 379 sad man!
- 380 Ow!
- 381 Ha, ha! Oh. It's you.
- 382 I can't believe you shot me!
- 383 I can't believe I did, either.
- 384 Right in the chest.
- 385 Sorry. That's gonna leave a bruise.
- 386 Yeah, a big one.
- 387 - Does it hurt?
- 388 - A little.
- 389 Want to kiss it and make it better?
- 390 I do.
- 391 Where are you going?
- 392 Home.
- 393 Don't worry. I'll wave to the doorbell when I get there.
- 394 Wait, wait, wait.

- 395 At least let me drive you.
- 396 That's okay. I'll Uber.
- 397 We can take you.
- 398 - Come on, Sheldon.
- 399 - Okav.
- 400 But I should warn you, we're in a bit of a spat.
- 401 At least I think we are. Amy, are we still in a spat?
- 402 Are you ready to apologize?
- 403 We are.
- 404 - Aha!
- 405 - WOLOWITZ: Hey!
- 406 - BERNADETTE: Get out!
- 407 - Sorry. Sorry.
- 408 I didn't see anything.
- 409 Actually, could I...?
- 410 Ooh, thank you!
- 411 Hey.
- 412 Wow. That's a lot of bruises.
- 413 Yeah, well, you shot me a lot of times.
- 414 That's not even counting the bruises on the inside.
- 415 'Cause I hurt your feelings?
- 416 Let's hope that's all it is.
- 417 Ah, look, I'm sorry that I freaked out.
- 418 It's just that things are going so good with us, and I'm afraid that if we go too fast, I am gonna mess it up.
- 419 I get that. I don't want to mess things up, either.
- 420 (sighs)
- 421 Um, I got you something.
- 422 It's a key to my place to show you that I'm serious.
- 423 - Thank you.
- 424 - Mm.
- 425 Well, isn't this technically a key to Howard and Bernadette's place?
- 426 Yes, so don't ever use it or let them know that you have it.
- 427 - Come here.
- 428 - Oh. Uh, no.
- 429 I appreciate it, but seriously, this is all bruise.
- 430 Kiss?
- 431 Gently.
- 432 Ow.
- 433 I'm about to start recording.
- 434 Are you guys ready?
- 435 Sheldon, are you ready?
- 436 - Absolutely.
- 437 - Great.
- 438 So, Dr. Cooper, my first question is for you.
- 439 Oh, goody.

440 - Would you say that your paper is an extension of the work of Professor Joseph Polchinski?

441 - I'll be in the car.

## 4.12 Episode 12: The Propagation Proposition

- 1 Previously on The Big Bang Theory...
- 2 So I told my mom she just needed to back off.
- 3 This is our wedding, and if anyone's gonna
- 4 design the floral arrangements, it's going to be my man.
- 5 Thank you.
- 6 I mean, I-I'm not trying to be a Groomzilla,
- 7 but... this is my specialty.
- 8 (phone chimes)
- 9 Everything okay?
- 10 Yeah, it's just Anu's doorbell camera.
- 11 I helped her install it.
- 12 You can't look at it.
- 13 That's spying.
- 14 Who the hell is this guy?
- 15 Ooh, let me see.
- 16 So you're still talking to your ex-boyfriend?
- 17 Yes, and I'm not gonna apologize for that.
- 18 And you need to delete that app from your phone.
- 19 Because you're hiding something from me?
- 20 No, because you should trust me!
- 21 How can I trust you?!
- 22 I barely even know you!
- 23 Then what are we doing?
- 24 I don't know.
- 25 - Oh!
- 26 - DENISE: Aah,
- 27 sad man!
- 28 This is so great.
- 29 Why don't we do it more often?
- 30 Because you have two kids,
- 31 I have Sheldon,
- 32 and Penny's apparently in the gym all the time,
- 33 'cause damn, look at her!
- 34 Yeah, so impressive how you manage
- 35 to bounce back after having no babies.
- 36 Ah, another reason why we don't do this more often.
- 37 You've come to a giant metal door.
- 38 I check the door for traps.
- 39 There are no traps.
- 40 I use my wizard eye

- 41 to see what's on the other side of the door.
- 42 Hey, that's sort of like how you used a doorbell camera
- 43 to spy on your fiancée.
- 44 No, it's nothing like that.
- 45 Your wizard eye reveals a monster.
- 46 - Oh. Is it alone and unloved?
- 47 - I guess.
- 48 I open the door and say, "Hey, Raj."
- 49 I have a bottle of champagne for you.
- 50 Oh, we didn't order this.
- 51 It's from the gentleman at the end of the bar.
- 52 Oh. Well, if we drink it, does that mean
- 53 we're making a promise?
- 54 'Cause I am happily married, although I will watch.
- 55 We're not gonna do anything.
- 56 Really?
- 57 So all that work's for Leonard?
- 58 Why don't you just call her? I'm sure
- 59 you guys can work this out.
- 60 I don't want to talk about it.
- 61 Let's just play.
- 62 Okay, the cyclops tells you
- 63 that the enchantress you seek is staying
- 64 at the Inn of the Dwarven Lords.
- 65 Really? An inn?
- 66 Anu is a concierge at a hotel.
- 67 That's a little insensitive,
- 68 don't you think?
- 69 I hadn't noticed that before you mentioned it.
- 70 Well, now that I've mentioned it, how do you feel?
- 71 Bad.
- 72 Shame on you.
- 73 - Hey, ladies.
- 74 - Zack!
- 75 Hi. You guys know Zack.
- 76 - BERNADETTE: Yeah.
- 77 - Of course.
- 78 Did-did you send this over?
- 79 I did. I asked for the most expensive one they have.
- 80 They said it was,
- 81-and Is aid I want a more expensive one.
- 82 And then, they said it was.
- 83 But it-it was the same...
- 84 Don't.
- 85 Thank you, but you shouldn't have spent so much.
- 86 Nah.

- 87 It's cool. I sold my company for a boatload of money.
- 88 And then I bought a boat.
- 89 Then I got married.
- 90 Guess where.
- 91 On your boat?
- 92 No, but that would've been awesome!
- 93 Well, congratulations.
- 94 Hey, you and Leonard
- 95 should come over and have dinner with us on our boat.
- 96 Yeah, that would be so nice.
- 97 Leonard was just saying how he was hoping to have dinner
- 98 with one of your ex-boyfriends on his expensive boat.
- 99 - Well, then this worked out perfect!
- 100 - Oh, yeah.
- 101 Our whole universe was in a hot, dense state
- 102 Then nearly billion years ago expansion started... Wait!
- 103 The Earth began to cool
- 104 The autotrophs began to drool, Neanderthals developed tools
- 105 We built the Wall
- 106 We built the pyramids
- 107 Math, Science, History, unraveling the mystery
- 108 That all started with a big bang
- 109 Bang!
- 110 Hey. How was game night?
- 111 Oh, off the charts.
- 112 Literally.
- 113 Sheldon rolled a number so high,
- 114 it wasn't on any of these charts.
- 115 (laughs) That's funny.
- 116 Wow. I should not have driven home.
- 117 How was ladies' night?
- 118 It was fun. Amy got drunk and kept telling us
- 119 that Sheldon's chest is smooth like a porpoise.
- 120 Well, it does squeak when you touch it.
- 121 And we ran into Zack.
- 122 Oh. Yeah? How's he doing?
- 123 - He got married.
- 124 - Oh. Well, that's nice.
- 125 Yeah, and he sold his company for a fortune and retired.
- 126 Huh.
- 127 And you ended up with me, so everybody wins.
- 128 Wait. You're not jealous of Zack, are you?
- 129 What? Oh, absolutely not.
- 130 In fact, he should be jealous of me because I have you.
- 131 Oh.
- 132 And a dungeon with over rooms left unexplored

- 133 because no one thought to search for secret doors
- 134 under the wizard's throne.
- 135 Oh. You know, I'd like to go exploring.
- 136 - Really?
- 137 - Mm-hmm.
- 138 Well, I'll get the dice back out.
- 139 (phone chimes)
- 140 Go away, Raj!
- 141 What are you doing?
- 142 I'm winning you back Love Actually style.
- 143 I don't know what that means.
- 144 Really? You've never seen Love Actually?
- 145 If you want to watch it right now, I'll just wait.
- 146 I have nothing to say to you.
- 147 Look, we both made mistakes.
- 148 I am so sorry that I spied on you.
- 149 I didn't mean to, but I know it was not okay.
- 150 Now, do you want to apologize to me?
- 151 You also said you don't trust me and that you barely know me.
- 152 I really thought this would be more of a back-and-forth thing.
- 153 Honestly, Raj, why do you even want to marry me?
- 154 You know, family and India and stuff.
- 155 Here's what I think.
- 156 All of your friends are married,
- 157 and you don't want to be left behind.
- 158 And honestly, that's not a good enough reason.
- 159 Uh, okay, well, how is that different
- 160 than what you're doing? Hmm?
- 161 Worried that you wasted
- 162 so many years dating the wrong people, and now,
- 163 you're just looking for a shortcut.
- 164 You're right.
- 165 It's not different.
- 166 Okay, so we agree.
- 167 - Yeah.
- 168 - Great.
- 169 Wait. What did we just agree on?
- 170 That we shouldn't see each other anymore.
- 171 You know what?
- 172 Why don't you shut the door, and I'll just do the cards?
- 173 Uh, do you remember Penny's ex-boyfriend Zack?
- 174 Leonard, I remember all of Penny's ex-boyfriends.
- 175 If you'd like, I could list them alphabetically.
- 176 No, thank you.
- 177 Fun fact. You would think
- 178 Zack would be the last one on the list,

- 179 but she also dated two Zekes.
- 180 Well, apparently, Zack sold his company
- 181 for a ton of money and retired.
- 182 And that bothers you?
- 183 I don't know. I mean...
- 184 I guess so. Yeah.
- 185 It doesn't seem fair.
- 186 I work hard.
- 187 I'm really smart.
- 188 I've made substantial contributions to my field.
- 189 But Zack gets to be rich,
- 190 while I'm still working for a paycheck?
- 191 Well, a lot of people you don't know are rich.
- 192 That doesn't seem to bother you. Mark Zuckerberg,
- 193 Sultan of Brunei, Gordon Letwin.
- 194 Who's that?
- 195 He's one of the first employees of Microsoft.
- 196 Yeah, well, I don't
- 197 - have to hang out with Gordon Letwin.
- 198 - Well, that's too bad.
- 199 He helped create the HPFS file system.
- 200 Oh, the stories he could tell.
- 201 Penny told him we'd go have dinner with him and his wife
- 202 on their stupid boat.
- 203 Well, just tell her you don't want to go.
- 204 Well, then, she'll think I'm being jealous and petty.
- 205 So you want to seem mature and confident.
- 206 I make one mistake, and she says she doesn't want to marry me.
- 207 - Like she never screwed up.
- 208 - Did she?
- 209 Well, she agreed to marry me.
- 210 Honestly,
- 211 I think you dodged a bullet.
- 212 I don't think she was right for you.
- 213 Howie, shh.
- 214 What?
- 215 You can't bad-mouth Anu.
- 216 They're gonna get back together,
- 217 and you're gonna look like a jerk.
- 218 I mean, remember
- 219 when we broke up, and Penny said all those mean things about you?
- 220 What did she say?
- 221 I don't want to get into it.
- 222 Some of it was hurtful, most of it was true.
- 223 So I'm just supposed to lie to my friend?
- 224 I don't want you to lie to me.

- 225 No one's gonna lie to you.
- 226 (whispers):
- 227 Lie.
- 228 She says
- 229 the only reason I'm marrying her
- 230 is because all my friends are married,
- 231 and I don't want to feel left out.
- 232 Oh, that's nonsense.
- 233 No. She's right.
- 234 (quietly):
- 235 Now what do I say?
- 236 So, Marissa, how
- 237 did you guys meet?
- 238 Oh, it's a pretty funny story.
- 239 We met in a bookstore.
- 240 That is funny.
- 241 Yeah, I was just there using the bathroom,
- 242 but this one had a stack of books, like, this tall.
- 243 Oh. So, you really like to read?
- 244 Oh, no. I work there.
- 245 Yeah, she is super smart.
- 246 Seriously, you name, like, any book,
- 247 she'll tell you if she's heard of it.
- 248 Go on, try her.
- 249 Oh, uh, well, uh...
- 250 Catcher in the Rye.
- 251 Nope.
- 252 ZACK: Look at that, Penny.
- 253 I guess we both like nerds.
- 254 So, uh, we gonna take this thing out?
- 255 Nah. It's a little choppy tonight.
- 256 Yeah, that's okay—this is nice, sitting under the stars.
- 257 It's actually kind of peaceful.
- 258 Well, it's a beautiful boat.
- 259 Thanks, man.
- 260 We love it.
- 261 Although, he's so tall he bangs his head
- 262 almost every time he goes downstairs.
- 263 After the first couple, you don't even feel it.
- 264 Where are our manners?
- 265 Zack, let's get our guests something to drink.
- 266 Oh, you got it, babe.
- 267 (quietly): I can't believe that guy's rich.
- 268 MARISSA: Ooh, watch your head.
- 269 ZACK: That was a close one.
- 270 Are you jealous?

- 271 I know, I know, I shouldn't be.
- 272 He's super sweet. I should be happy for them.
- 273 Oh, it's driving me crazy, too.
- 274 - Really?
- 275 - Yes. I was trying to pretend
- 276 like it wasn't so you wouldn't think I was petty.
- 277 Wha- turns out we're both petty.
- 278 I love you so much.
- 279 Aw.
- 280 Cheers, guys.
- 281 - Aw, thanks.
- 282 - Thank you.
- 283 (laughs)
- 284 So listen, I got to be honest.
- 285 We sort of have another reason for asking you here.
- 286 We want to have a baby,
- 287 but we can't do it on our own.
- 288 It could be because of the game me and my frat brothers used to play
- 289 where we kicked each other in the balls over and over.
- 290 But the doc says there's no telling.
- 291 We just don't know.
- 292 Huh.
- 293 You went to college.
- 294 And Zack's always admired you
- 295 because you're the smartest person he knows.
- 296 Okay, whoa, whoa.
- 297 Whoa, whoa. You know, this has been such a nice evening.
- 298 Let's all just stop before anyone says any more things.
- 299 Leonard, would you be the father of our baby?
- 300 Aw, you said a thing.
- 301 Wow, this is really flattering.
- 302 And also really weird, right?
- 303 ZACK: Oh, just to be clear,
- 304 you don't get to... you know.
- 305 No, I...
- 306 - I got it.
- 307 - Just because I slept
- 308 with your wife doesn't mean you get to sleep with mine.
- 309 We... we get it,
- 310 but... thank you for saying it out loud.
- 311 You're welcome.
- 312 I know it's a big ask, but it would mean so much to us.
- 313 ZACK: Yeah, and we
- 314 really don't want a stranger's, you know...
- 315 - I know.
- 316 - ...sperm.

- 317 And Zack's always talked about what a great guy Leonard is.
- 318 I...
- 319 (chuckles): I really don't know what to say.
- 320 Really? You don't know what to say?
- 321 You know, I-I think we should talk about this.
- 322 Oh, yeah. Definitely, you guys should talk, yeah.
- 323 Take your time.
- 324 He means privately.
- 325 - Right. Sorry.
- 326 - Sure. Yep.
- 327 Come on, Zack.
- 328 - Okay. Yeah.
- 329 Okay.
- 330 You really think those two should be parents?
- 331 There's nothing wrong with them.
- 332 - (loud thump)
- 333 - ZACK: Ow!
- 334 (computer chiming)
- 335 Hello, Daddy.
- 336 Did you install a camera to spy on your fiancée?
- 337 What?!
- 338 No!
- 339 That's what her parents told me
- 340 when they said they were calling off the wedding.
- 341 But I told them you would never do such a thing.
- 342 Thank you.
- 343 I mean, I did install a camera
- 344 and I did spy on her, but I did not install it to spy on her.
- 345 Well, that's not going to be our story.
- 346 Our story is that she's a liar.
- 347 And-and old.
- 348 An old, dirty liar.
- 349 Oh, no.
- 350 She's-she's actually great.
- 351 I'm the one who screwed up.
- 352 Well, don't say that to them.
- 353 She's bad. You're good.
- 354 They have to pay me back for my wedding deposits.
- 355 (sighs)
- 356 This is all my fault.
- 357 I should have...
- 358 I should have just trusted her.
- 359 So you're saying you still want to get married?
- 360 Fine. Then I'll call her parents
- 361 and we'll straighten this whole thing out.
- 362 I don't think she wants to marry me.

- 363 And honestly...
- 364 she deserves someone better.
- 365 (sighs) Rajesh, you need to stop being so hard on yourself.
- 366 You're a good man.
- 367 (chuckles): Wow.
- 368 Y-You've never told me that.
- 369 You're also a dope.
- 370 That you've said.
- 371 But your heart's in the right place,
- 372 and you deserve happiness.
- 373 So you just need to figure out what you want,
- 374 and if that means cancelling the wedding, we cancel the wedding.
- 375 Thank you.
- 376 But figure it out quickly, or I'll be celebrating
- 377 my next birthday with a lot more elephants
- 378 and marigolds than I expected.
- 379 And Leonard just stood there with a big, dumb smile on his face,
- 380 like he was watching a puppy and a monkey make friends.
- 381 Well, I can see how he'd be flattered to be asked.
- 382 It's not flattering.
- 383 It's creepy.
- 384 Well, something can be both flattering and creepy.
- 385 You know, just the other night, Sheldon said that my feet
- 386 looked like Richard Feynman's hands.
- 387 Really? So you'd be okay
- 388 if someone wanted to use Sheldon as their sperm donor?
- 389 Oh, absolutely not. I am the only handmaid in this tale.
- 390 So Leonard's really considering this?
- 391 Yes. We got in a huge fight about it.
- 392 He said, well, if I don't want to have his baby,
- 393 then why shouldn't someone else be able to? Do you believe that?
- 394 What?
- 395 Well, there is a deep-seated biological drive
- 396 to pass on your genes.
- 397 It's only natural.
- 398 So you're on his side?
- 399 Well, viewing Leonard as a mammal,
- 400 it's perfectly understandable.
- 401 But viewing him as your husband, he stinks.
- 402 And we hate him.
- 403 (video game weapons firing) Really? Zack wanted you to donate
- 404 your genetic material for his baby?
- 405 Yeah. So I'd be helping out a couple who really want a baby,
- 406 and they were gonna pay us, and Penny freaked out about it.
- 407 - That doesn't make any sense.
- 408 - I know.

- 409 They wanted you?
- 410 (video game tires screeching, car crashing)
- 411 Yes, Sheldon, they wanted me.
- 412 I'm smart. I'm nice.
- 413 I'm smart. I'm nice.
- 414 And I can eat cheese without clearing out a room.
- 415 Are you upset he didn't ask you?
- 416 Of course not. I just think it's interesting
- 417 that of all the people he knows, he thinks you're the best choice.
- 418 Well, he does.
- 419 I don't see why Penny is so against this.
- 420 Well, perhaps Penny's worried that you haven't considered
- 421 the emotional toll of knowing there's a child out there
- 422 who is biologically yours but not actually yours.
- 423 (video game tires screech)
- 424 Wow, that's really insightful.
- 425 Yeah, I'm taller than you and I don't have asthma.
- 426 Those people are crazy.
- 427 (phone chimes)
- 428 Come on, I know you're there, and I know you know it's me.
- 429 (groans)
- 430 - You're just making this harder.
- 431 - Look...
- 432 you were right.
- 433 I was doing this for the wrong reasons.
- 434 You deserve to marry someone who knows
- 435 how amazing you are... and who proposes
- 436 because he doesn't want to spend a single day without you.
- 437 Not... not because he wants to catch up to his friends.
- 438 Thank you.
- 439 And I want you to know, I think I could be that man.
- 440 Raj, I'm not gonna marry you.
- 441 - I'm not asking you to.
- 442 Then why are you here?
- 443 Because I like you.
- 444 Okay? I like you.
- 445 I-I like you enough to start this relationship
- 446 at the beginning, not in the middle.
- 447 So...
- 448 will you go out on a date with me?
- 449 (sighs)
- 450 I don't know.
- 451 Okay.
- 452 But I warn you,
- 453 I just got out of a weird relationship,
- 454 and I might complain about my ex a lot.

- 455 Maybe he's being weird because he doesn't know how to ask for his ring back.
- 456 Hey.
- 457 Hi.
- 458 Where you been?
- 459 Just out.
- 460 All right, look, um...
- 461 I'm sorry that we fought before.
- 462 I know this is a really unusual situation,
- 463 and if you don't want me to do it, I won't.
- 464 Really?
- 465 Yeah.
- 466 We're a team.
- 467 We're in this together.
- 468 I'll be right back.
- 469 What is that?
- 470 It's a sample cup.
- 471 Really? 'Cause it looks like the top off the NyQuil bottle.
- 472 It's the closest thing I could find.
- 473 - It's a gesture. Shut up.
- 474 - All right, sorry.
- 475 So... are you saying you're okay with this?
- 476 (sighs):
- 477 I don't know,
- 478 but... when I told you I didn't want to have kids,
- 479 you didn't have a say in that, so...
- 480 maybe I don't need to have a say in this.
- 481 Thank you.
- 482 They couldn't have picked a better person.
- 483 (chuckles)
- 484 Are you calling Zack?
- 485 No, Sheldon. Would you say that last part one more time?
- 486 Oh, my...

## 4.13 Episode 13: The Confirmation Polarization

- 1 Hello. I'm Dr. Sheldon Cooper.
- 2 And I'm Dr. Amy Farrah Fowler.
- 3 And this is: Dr. Sheldon Cooper and Dr. Amy Farrah Fowler present...
- 4 BOTH: Dr. Sheldon Cooper's Fun with Flags.
- 5 I'd like to start this episode by a pologizing on behalf of Dr. Fowler, who made the wild claim last week
- 6 that there was no national tricolored flag with a purple stripe, when, in fact, the Estonian governorate inside the Russian Empire
- 7 had a purple stripe on their flag from to.
- 8 See? Right there in the middle.

- 9 And I'd like to apologize on behalf of Dr. Cooper for having his zipper down for the entire segment on the flags of East Africa.
- 10 Sorry, Tanzania, you deserve better.
- 11 All right, on today's episode, we're gonna start with some viewer e-mails.
- 12 Oh, take off your glasses so people can't see your password in the reflection.
- 13 Oh, s-sure.
- 14 Okay, our first e-mail is- mm- from...uh, Brad or Brian?
- 15 - I don't know, maybe it's Seth.
- 16 - All right, put them back on.
- 17 Oh. Uh... oh, my gosh, it's from Fermilab in Chicago.
- 18 Ah. Not surprising, the Windy City.
- 19 Great flag town.
- 20 No, no, it's about our paper.
- 21 A team of physicists confirmed super-asymmetry.
- 22 Our paper was right.
- 23 We did it.
- 24 We did it?
- 25 We did it.
- 26 We did it.
- 27 BOTH: We did it!
- 28 - We did it!
- 29 - We did it!
- 30 Aw, remember when they only did it on her birthday?
- 31 Our whole universe was in a hot, dense state
- 32 Then nearly billion years ago expansion started... Wait!
- 33 The Earth began to cool
- 34 The autotrophs began to drool, Neanderthals developed tools
- 35 We built the Wall
- 36 We built the pyramids
- 37 Math, Science, History, unraveling the mystery
- 38 That all started with a big bang
- 39 Bang!
- 40 So, my incredible wife has some exciting news.
- 41 Howie, stop.
- 42 I don't want to brag.
- 43 Oh, okay, sorry.
- 44 (clears throat)
- 45 Really? No one's gonna ask?
- 46 Sorry. What's your news?
- 47 The drug I've been working on for the past five years just got approved by the FDA.
- 48 - Wow.
- 49 - Oh, congratulations.
- 50 Was that the decongestant you developed?
- 51 No, we had to rebrand that as a solvent for mining equipment.
- 52 Is it that anti-itch cream you were testing on grad students?

- 53 It's not, but that's a really funny story which I'm legally prevented from telling you.
- 54 It's her anti-inflammatory drug.
- 55 Oh.
- 56 Yep, three years of testing and no reported side effects.
- 57 Ah, so it works.
- 58 Eh.
- 59 Well, congratulations.
- 60 I'm so happy for you.
- 61 Yeah, well, I'm happy for you, because I want you to head up my sales team.
- 62 Really? Me? Don't you want someone with more experience?
- 63 Nope. The job's all yours.
- 64 (laughs)
- 65 Okay, well, thank you.
- 66 Why don't we just chat about this at work?
- 67 We can chat about it all you want, but you're doing it.
- 68 (chuckles)
- 69 We'll see.
- 70 That's a yes.
- 71 You guys will never believe what just happened.
- 72 Yeah, we heard.
- 73 You did it.
- 74 We did do it.
- 75 And we didn't even know we did it!
- 76 Wait, what?
- 77 Two physicists in Chicago had to tell us.
- 78 Wait, what?
- 79 Their experiment on kaon decay supported our predictions on the higher order corrections pertaining to super-asymmetry.
- 80 Wait, what?
- 81 I am so proud of you.
- 82 Well, I know how to do the dishes.
- 83 Just, sometimes I'm tired.
- 84 No, I-I mean, I'm proud of how well you're doing at work.
- 85 Are you even using soap?
- 86 - Do you want to do this?
- 87 - Yeah, I really do.
- 88 You know, it was nice of Bernadette to offer, but I'm not sure it's the right move for me.
- 89 Well, what are you talking about?
- 90 If you were in charge of her project, wouldn't that be a promotion?
- 91 Well, yeah, but it's not the most important thing.
- 92 Aren't you always saying it's about the work, not more money or a better title?
- 93 All the smart things I say, and you remember the dumb one.

- 94 Plus, I'd be working for Bernadette.
- 95 I don't know if that's a good idea.
- 96 Look, I-I know she can be difficult, but she's no match for you.
- 97 Whatever she dishes out, you can give it right back double.
- 98 What the hell is that supposed to mean?
- 99 There you go.
- 100 (intercom beeps)
- 101 RECEPTIONIST: President Siebert, I have Dr. Cooper and Dr. Fowler for you.
- 102 Great.
- 103 You two.
- 104 Bring it in.
- 105 (stammers) What are we bringing in?
- 106 A hug.
- 107 Oh. No, I don't want to.
- 108 Well, what you don't want, you don't get.
- 109 Come on. Sit.
- 110 I hope you know, with these new data supporting your theory, we could be looking at a Nobel-winning achievement.
- 111 And by "we," you mean "we," not "we."
- 112 "We," "we," whatever.
- 113 Whee!
- 114 Just a heads-up.
- 115 Doctors Pemberton and Campbell from Fermilab Confirming my theory, Angeles, eager to meet me.
- 116 They are checking all my boxes.
- 117 You know, Caltech has Nobel laureates.
- 118 If you win, you and Amy will be and.
- 119 Ooh! Dibs on .
- 120 What's the difference?
- 121 Wha... You are right, there is no difference at all.
- 122 Thank you. It is exciting.
- 123 Oh, that's very sweet.
- 124 I'm gonna remember you said that.
- 125 Just like I remember how you tried to take my office when I was on maternity leave.
- 126 (laughs)
- 127 Of course I'm not angry.
- 128 Bye-bye.
- 129 How can I be angry at a dead man?
- 130 Hey, you got a sec?
- 131 Sure. What's up?
- 132 Uh, bad news.
- 133 I spoke to my supervisor about heading up your sales team, and she said she just can't lose me right now.
- 134 Do you want me to call her?

- 135 I could rip her a new one.
- 136 No, no. No ripping.
- 137 Um, anyway, I-I don't want to leave her shorthanded, so I'm sorry.
- 138 I respect that.
- 139 That's what makes you a good employee.
- 140 Oh, thank you.
- 141 It's just such a bummer.
- 142 I know. Just, ugh!
- 143 You sure you don't want me to call her?
- 144 Oh, no, I'm sure, definitely sure. Don't call her.
- 145 But, you know, just, ugh, why?
- 146 The last time we were in this room, we were getting married.
- 147 I remember.
- 148 It's a lot less impressive without Mark Hamill in it.
- 149 That's what you said about our honeymoon.
- 150 And I stand by it.
- 151 Doctors Cooper and Fowler, these are Doctors Pemberton and Campbell, whose experiment confirmed your work.
- 152 - Hello. Nice to meet you.
- 153 - Nice to meet you. Hi.
- 154 Okay, I'll leave you all to it.
- 155 Remember about the hugging.
- 156 It is such a pleasure to meet you.
- 157 Oh, it's really nice to meet you, too.
- 158 I mean, we thought we'd have to wait decades to get confirmation for our theory.
- 159 Yes, thanks to you, I'll get to eat my Nobel dinner with my original teeth.
- 160 Well, this certainly is a thrill for us. Lunch with you two, and, uh, tomorrow, we're gonna see a taping of Ellen.
- 161 She's having John Stamos on.
- 162 Uncle Jesse!
- 163 Sounds fun.
- 164 So, um, listen, we just published a few months ago.
- 165 How did you have time to design an experiment?
- 166 We didn't. This whole thing is actually a gigantic accident.
- 167 CAMPBELL: Yeah, we've been working with kaons, and our data made absolutely no sense.
- 168 A few weeks ago, someone told us about your paper, and we realized that our failed experiment confirmed your theory.
- 169 And now, instead of losing our jobs, Fermilab flew us to L.A. Economy Plus.
- 170 Free headphones.
- 171 Looks like my wife left me a month too soon.
- 172 (laughs)
- 173 (stammers) So you weren't even thinking about super-asymmetry?
- 174 Thinking about it?

- 175 (chuckles)
- 176 We don't even understand it.
- 177 (both laugh)
- 178 PEMBERTON: And now look at the four of us, changing the face of physics!
- 179 Ooh, I got to do it.
- 180 Oh, man, that last episode of Star Trek: Discovery was crazy.
- 181 Whoa, whoa, whoa, I-I'm actually one behind.
- 182 I haven't started the new season yet.
- 183 Ooh, uh, how about this week's Walking Dead?
- 184 Two behind.
- 185 Three behind.
- 186 - Black Mirror?
- 187 - No.
- 188 No.
- 189 Come on, there must be something we've all seen.
- 190 Oh, how about that video of my dog I sent you, where she's growling at a pinecone?
- 191 I actually hadn't watched it yet, but thanks for ruining the ending.
- 192 Uh, can you believe this?
- 193 Doctors Pemberton and Campbell have been doing a press tour trying to take credit for super-asymmetry.
- 194 They didn't even know what they were finding.
- 195 So what? I mean, no one's gonna give them credit for accidentally discovering something.
- 196 WOLOWITZ: Yeah, who remembers the guy who was trying to find India and discovered America instead?
- 197 What was his name again?
- 198 (chuckles)
- 199 But this is different.
- 200 Sheldon, super-asymmetry is your paper.
- 201 Everyone knows you were there first.
- 202 Mm, actually, the Nobel Committee has sometimes favored experimentalists like them over theoreticians like you.
- 203 No, that's just a scary campfire story like the guy with the hook.
- 204 No, i-it's true.
- 205 The scientists that proved the big bang, they thought their sensors needed cleaning until someone pointed out that they were picking up cosmic background radiation
- 206 from the singularity.
- 207 They won the Nobel.
- 208 Not the scientists that came up with the theory.
- 209 So you're saying they could steal our Nobel Prize?
- 210 - Yes.
- 211 That's terrible.
- 212 Good news, though:

- 213 Now we have something we can talk about.
- 214 Hey, you wanted to see me?
- 215 Yeah, come on in.
- 216 - Okav.
- 217 Close the door.
- 218 Okay.
- 219 Have a seat.
- 220 Do I have to?
- 221 You really do.
- 222 So, I talked to your supervisor, and she said that she never stopped you from working on my team, because you never asked her.
- 223 Really?
- 224 Oh, you know, you should know, she's been taking our new antidepressant, and lying is one of the main side effects.
- 225 Why don't you want to work with me?
- 226 I know I can be tough, but that's just 'cause
- 227 I'm surrounded by useless idiots.
- 228 No, it's not that.
- 229 Then why?
- 230 Honestly, I don't know if I'm up to it.
- 231 You know, the last project I managed
- 232 - was my high school yearbook.
- 233 - And?
- 234 And that was the year we didn't have one.
- 235 Apparently, the printers won't make them without getting paid.
- 236 What happened to the money?
- 237 Uh, if I didn't know then, I'm not gonna magically know now.
- 238 Plus, you know, I didn't go to college.
- 239 I'd be in charge of people that are far more educated with more experience;
- what if they don't listen to me?
- 240 Then you be really mean to them.
- 241 Have I taught you nothing?
- 242 Penny, everybody feels like you do.
- 243 Like they're not good enough,
- 244 - not smart enough.
- 245 - What, even you?
- 246 - Of course.
- 247 - Dr. Rostenkowski, you wanted me...
- 248 Hey, did they not teach knocking at Stanford? Get out!
- 249 (chuckles) I love that kid.
- 250 There you are.
- 251 Dr. Cooper, hello.
- 252 Hello to you, too. Now stop trying to steal our Nobel Prize.
- 253 You come up with your own idea.
- 254 Yeah, that's not gonna happen.
- 255 Wouldn't that be something, though?

- 256 Well, too bad.
- 257 This discovery belongs to Amy and me.
- 258 (sighs)
- 259 Look, Dr. Cooper, we all want a Nobel Prize.
- 260 Super-asymmetry could be the breakthrough that gets us there.
- 261 But we can't fight over credit; we have to work together.
- 262 So... you're saying that the four of us should just agree to share this discovery?
- 263 Well, no, unfortunately, only three people can share a Nobel.
- 264 Oh, that's right.
- 265 So he's out?
- 266 No, I'm not out.
- 267 So he's out?
- 268 Neither of us is out.
- 269 We think that the three physicists should be the ones to win the Nobel Prize for physics.
- 270 Wait, so you want to cut Amy out?
- 271 No, of course not.
- 272 We don't want to, but we're going to.
- 273 But she's my wife.
- 274 Yes, exactly, she's your wife.
- 275 And she's a neuroscientist.
- 276 It's like, what's she even doing on this paper?
- 277 It just raises questions.
- 278 Look, Fermilab is going to recommend the three of us to the Nobel Committee.
- 279 The best chance we have is if your university does the same.
- 280 I see.
- 281 So you really think that I'm the kind of man who would sell out his partner for the chance of winning a Nobel Prize?
- 282 Are you?
- 283 Boy, I hope not.
- 284 I can't believe Penny doesn't want
- 285 - to head up my sales team.
- 286 - That's too bad.
- 287 But it's her decision, not yours.
- 288 Do you hear how dumb you sound?
- 289 Why does this matter to you so much?
- 290 Because I believe in her, and I make people better.
- 291 It's what I do.
- 292 Against their will?
- 293 It's no fun if they want to.
- 294 That's just called watching.
- 295 Look at Howard.
- 296 He was a disaster when I met him.
- 297 Now he's a foxy astronaut with a hot wife.

- 298 Wait, he always wanted to be an astronaut.
- 299 He thinks that, too.
- 300 That's how good I am.
- 301 Wait, so what are you gonna do?
- 302 Just badger her until she says yes?
- 303 Mm, that may have worked on you, but she's too smart for that.
- 304 Well, if you like fixing people, I could use some help.
- 305 Raj.
- 306 Why do you think you stopped wearing Crocs and socks?
- 307 Uh, well, one day I just woke up and realized they looked silly.
- 308 Yes, you did.
- 309 All on your own.
- 310 (whispering): That's how good I am.
- 311 (clucking tongue)
- 312 What's wrong?
- 313 Why do you assume something's wrong?
- 314 Because you haven't touched your dinner, and you're literally ticking like a bomb about to go off.
- 315 Oh, Amy.
- 316 You see through me like one of Penny's shirts.
- 317 Just tell me.
- 318 I talked to Doctors Pemberton and Campbell today.
- 319 They reminded me that only three people can share a Nobel Prize.
- 320 Their university is recommending the two of them and me.
- 321 And they want Caltech to do the same.
- 322 Oh.
- 323 They say, if we present a united front, we have a much better shot at winning.
- 324 Well, you know, that makes sense.
- 325 Oh, but don't worry. I won't do that to you.
- 326 Maybe you should.
- 327 What?
- 328 This has been your lifelong dream.
- 329 And you may not get another chance.
- 330 I don't want to be the reason that you don't win a Nobel.
- 331 You're the only reason I deserve one.
- 332 But if your best shot is with them,
- 333 I think you should take it.
- 334 Is this really what you want me to do?
- 335 I just want you to be happy.
- 336 Thank you.
- 337 (clicking tongue)
- 338 Hey. How long have you been sitting there?
- 339 Long enough for two of your neighbors to ask if I was lost and looking for my mother.
- 340 I'm not changing my mind, Bernie.

- 341 That's okay. I'm sorry.
- 342 It was wrong of me to badger you into doing something that made you uncomfortable.
- 343 Thank you.
- 344 Mm, it's probably for the best.
- 345 I need someone who's strong and confident to head up my sales team, so I'm giving it to Karen.
- 346 What... Karen?
- 347 Well, what's the job?
- 348 Eating my yogurt and then lying about it?
- 349 I'm just saying.
- 350 She went to college.
- 351 She's really smart.
- 352 Well, I'm smarter than Karen.
- 353 I can read the word "Penny" on a cup of yogurt.
- 354 Why are you getting so upset?
- 355 I'm agreeing with you.
- 356 This is a big job, and I need someone who's up to it.
- 357 I am up to it.
- 358 I'm just nervous about it.
- 359 I know.
- 360 And that's why I don't want to pressure you into doing something that you clearly don't want to do.
- 361 I know what you're up to.
- 362 Is it working?
- 363 Yes.
- 364 - So I'll see you Monday morning?
- 365 - Yes.
- 366 I bet I can make that girl president.
- 367 (intercom beeps)
- 368 RECEPTIONIST: Uh, President Siebert, Dr. Cooper is...
- 369 I need to talk to you about the paper that Dr. Fowler and I published.
- 370 Send him in.
- 371 Amy and I did this together, and I will not be part of an award that does not recognize the value of her contributions.
- 372 So you either include both of us in the recommendation letter, or don't bother writing one.
- 373 I hope you know that's going to cause a fight between us and the Fermilab team
- 374 If it's a fight that doesn't involve any touching, risk of physical harm or uncomfortable eve contact
- 375 'cause it's happening online or through intermediaries,
- 376 I say bring it.
- 377 All right.
- 378 I respect your decision.
- 379 You do?

- 380 Yes. You and Dr. Fowler have my full support.
- 381 Oh, okay.
- 382 I anticipated a little more pushback.
- 383 Sorry, my job here is to serve your needs, both academic and personal.
- 384 Huh.
- 385 Well, now I'm filled with all this nervous energy.
- 386 I don't know quite what to do with it.
- 387 We have a fully equipped gymnasium.
- 388 Yeah... Really?
- 389 Where's that?
- 390 It's part of the new sports complex.
- 391 Oh.
- 392 And where is that?
- 393 Come on, I'll show you.
- 394 Are there monkey bars?
- 395 All right, now, I'm sure some of you are wondering, "Who is this woman?
- 396 "How did she get to be in charge of the sales team?
- 397 Is it because she's friends with Dr. Rostenkowski?"
- 398 Because she is.
- 399 "Is it because she was Miss Cornhusker and still fits in those very same jeans?"
- 400 'Cause she was, and she does, and they're actually a little baggy.
- 401 Or is it because she's the best damn salesperson here?
- 402 Because I am.
- 403 Now that we're clear on that, here are the drug specs and marketing strategy for Inflamminex.
- 404 Which, now that I say it out loud, might be a placeholder.
- 405 By tomorrow, I want everyone to have this committed to memory.
- 406 Do you have it committed to memory?
- 407 You want to have a contest, Karen?
- 408 Winner gets a yogurt.
- 409 No, boss.
- 410 All right, now we all know what we need to do.
- 411 Let's go do it.
- 412 R-Right now.
- 413 Get out of here. Go.
- 414 That was really impressive.
- 415 Damn right it was impressive.
- 416 - Okay, that tone doesn't work with me.
- 417 - Sorry, boss.

## 4.14 Episode 14: The Meteorite Manifestation

- 1 Ooh, it's freezing out here.
- 2 Would you like me to... heat things up?
- 3 No, I want to get in the hot tub before I lose a toe.

- 4 Oh. That is bright!
- 5 Yeah, a new neighbor put in floodlights.
- 6 Huh.
- 7 So, shall we?
- 8 No. I don't want to take my robe off under a spotlight.
- 9 This is a candle body.
- 10 MAN (calls): Howdy, neighbors!
- 11 We haven't met yet. I'm Andy.
- 12 Oh. Hello. Nice to meet you.
- 13 You know, your new balcony kind of looks right over our fence.
- 14 ANDY: You might want to put up some trees. We can see everything.
- 15 You can, but it's okay if you don't.
- 16 So, can you turn your lights off?
- 17 Sorry, they're motion-sensored.
- 18 They'll go off in a minute.
- 19 Just try to stay still.
- 20 (door closes)
- 21 What are we gonna do about this?
- 22 I say we wait until his lights go off, and then I make hot, motionless love to you.
- 23 Don't move.
- 24 It's go time.
- 25 Our whole universe was in a hot, dense state
- 26 Then nearly billion years ago expansion started... Wait!
- 27 The Earth began to cool
- 28 The autotrophs began to drool, Neanderthals developed tools
- 29 We built the Wall
- 30 We built the pyramids
- 31 Math, Science, History, unraveling the mystery
- 32 That all started with a big bang
- 33 Bang!
- 34 And his new balcony looks right down on our hot tub, which meant we couldn't do anything.
- 35 So you gave your kids Benadryl for nothing?
- 36 Why do I share with you?
- 37 You're such a yenta.
- 38 Are we done talking about Howard's failed conjugal relations?
- 39 I have an actual Nobel Prize crisis to deal with.
- 40 Has anything changed since the last time you talked about it?
- 41 No.
- 42 Is there anything you can do about it?
- 43 No.
- 44 Then shut up or go wait in the car!
- 45 LEONARD: Excuse me.
- 46 Remember you all came here to check out my cool new laser?
- 47 Oh, right. I'm gonna go wait in the car.

- 48 The best part is that it's europium-based, so...
- 49 And then Andy said if we want privacy, we should plant some trees.
- 50 The only way I know how to do that is to give a dollar and tree shows up in Israel.
- 51 Okay. Anyway, so because it's europium-based...
- 52 Hey. I need some help with a meteorite I found.
- 53 Ah. I'd be happy to.
- 54 Oh, no, I meant Raj.
- 55 I really need an astrophysicist.
- 56 KOOTHRAPPALI: Wow.
- 57 This is exactly like a dream I had.
- 58 Except in the dream, you're Gal Gadot.
- 59 I don't really have dreams, when I sleep or in life.
- 60 Anyway...
- 61 I X-rayed this meteorite, and it looks like there's some sort of organic signature inside of it, but I could really use another opinion.
- 62 Well, great.
- 63 Let's go check it out.
- 64 LEONARD: Cool.
- 65 I'm gonna stay here and show Howard...
- 66 I want to see it!
- 67 Okay. Well, thanks for stopping by.
- 68 (electrical humming)
- 69 Screw them. That's cool.
- 70 Hey, I'm not sure we're in the right line.
- 71 - Is this for the city zoning office?
- 72 - Yes, it is.
- 73 Or, as we call it here, "the zone zone."
- 74 (chuckles)
- 75 WOMAN (calls): No, we don't.
- 76 That's Linda.
- 77 Ignore her.
- 78 She's going through the change.
- 79 Now, how can I help you?
- 80 Our neighbor built a balcony that looks right into our backyard, and we're trying to see if there's anything we can do about it.
- 81 Well, you have come to the right place.
- 82 You know, a lot of people handle this type of thing online, but I always say nothing beats the human touch.
- 83 (chuckles)
- 84 Oh, but don't worry.
- 85 I'm not gonna actually touch you.
- 86 We had quite the informative meeting on that.
- 87 We just want a little privacy in our backyard.
- 88 You know, for...
- 89 (clicks tongue)

- 90 (quietly): Maybe we should've done this online.
- 91 No, no, no, no.
- 92 The zone zone is a safe zone.
- 93 LINDA: Stop saying "zone zone"!
- 94 So, is there anything we can do?
- 95 Absolutely. Do you know if they have permits for the balcony?
- 96 Oh, no. We were hoping you could check.
- 97 I certainly can. I just need you to fill out a form, and we have them available in Armenian, Chinese, Cambodian, English, Farsi, Korean, Spanish and Vietnamese.
- 98 Well, English, obviously.
- 99 Well, we're not allowed to presume.
- 100 That was a whole other meeting.
- 101 So we just fill out the form and that's it?
- 102 Oh, no. No, you need to fill it out, and then you need to bring it down to the Office of Code Compliance.
- 103 Now, if your neighbors don't have a permit, you can file an official complaint, but if they do have a permit, then you have to make the case that the balcony constitutes a nuisance, an encumbrance or an encroachment, and you have to decide which, because they are three totally separate forms.
- 104 This is starting to seem like more trouble than it's worth.
- 105 I know, right? (chuckles)
- 106 (sneezes)
- 107 - You okay?
- 108 - Yeah.
- 109 Great, 'cause you just bought that whole row of Batmans.
- 110 Sorry, I...
- 111 (sneezes)
- 112 And now you bought Aquaman.
- 113 Good choice.
- 114 If you want cold medicine, Stuart has the entire run of DayQuils, including the rare "DayQuilt" misprint from .
- 115 What can I say?
- 116 I'm a collector.
- 117 Thanks, but I'm fine.
- 118 I think it's just allergies.
- 119 - Hi, guys. Hey.
- 120 LEONARD: Hey.
- 121 Oh, heads up.
- 122 If that Aquaman feels wet, it's not a gimmick.
- 123 Leonard sneezed on it.
- 124 - You sick?
- 125 - Uh, it's just allergies.
- 126 Oh. So, check it out.
- 127 This meteorite that Bert found is really cool.
- 128 We did a spectrographic analysis, and there's... there's definitely some-

- thing going on inside.
- 129 Well, y, i-if you want, we could use my new laser to cut it open.
- 130 Well, thanks, but Bert's got this water-cooled, diamond-bladed saw.
- 131 Well, sure, but with my laser, you'd get a thinner slice, which would make for a better sample.
- 132 STUART: Whoa, whoa.
- 133 You're not gonna cut open a meteor, are you?
- 134 Have you not learned anything from comic books?
- 135 Space viruses?
- 136 Pod people?
- 137 I sell nothing but warnings.
- 138 C-Calm down, Stuart.
- 139 You're being a little crazy.
- 140 Oh, is he?
- 141 Is he being crazy?
- 142 Or is he the only one around here who's making any sense?
- 143 It's nice they found each other.
- 144 Yeah. Uh, so, anyway, you want to use my laser?
- 145 Eh, sorry.
- 146 It's kind of Bert's thing, and he wants to do it his way, so...
- 147 Okav.
- 148 Yeah, that's cool.
- 149 Just seems dumb to not use the laser.
- 150 Not as dumb as unleashing a plague on mankind, but, hey, what do we know?
- 151 Literally nothing.
- 152 We spent half the day down at the city planning office, and didn't solve a thing.
- 153 Now we have to go back tomorrow.
- 154 The planning office?
- 155 You lucky ducks.
- 156 Yeah, this one made me go for ice cream and talk about her day.
- 157 Spoiler alert: it was fine.
- 158 It wasn't fine. I got trapped in an elevator.
- 159 I may have missed a few details.
- 160 The bottom of my cone was drippy.
- 161 So now we have to download all these forms and fill them out.
- 162 SHELDON: We get it.
- 163 Your life is great.
- 164 Stop rubbing it in.
- 165 Yeah, quit it.
- 166 SHELDON: Is one of the forms the B/C?
- 167 Because, if so, it has a doozy of a typo.
- 168 I don't know.
- 169 All right, well, I don't want to spoil anything, but you might want to start practicing your "siglature."

- 170 Sheldon, if you like this stuff, why don't you come and do it with us?
- 171 - Or instead of us?
- 172 (gasps)
- 173 Do you mean it?
- 174 No, no, wait, it's too late.
- 175 You can't take it back. Yes.
- 176 Well, Amy, looks like the elevator might have been the high point of your day.
- 177 Hey, where's Raj?
- 178 Uh, he's working with Bert.
- 179 They're probably cutting their stupid meteorite open with their stupid diamond saw.
- 180 (blows nose)
- 181 - Are you okay?
- 182 - Yeah.
- 183 I'm just a little run-down.
- 184 It might be a head cold.
- 185 Purell.
- 186 Purell.
- 187 Purell.
- 188 Purell.
- 189 Can I top anybody off?
- 190 It's just so frustrating.
- 191 I-I know my laser would be way more efficient.
- 192 They're gonna lose so much meteorite due to kerf loss.
- 193 Mm. I'm sorry your friends won't let you play kerf with them.
- 194 Don't make it sound childish.
- 195 It's the scientific word for dust.
- 196 What was wrong with "dust"?
- 197 Are you sure you're not just a little jealous?
- 198 No. It's just, my way is better, but they won't even consider it.
- 199 Oh, well, it's their loss. Look, why don't you go to bed.
- 200 I'll run out and get you some medicine.
- 201 Ah, it's okay.
- 202 Stuart gave me some when I was at the comic book store.
- 203 Really? You're taking medicine from Stuart?
- 204 Doesn't he need, like, all of it?
- 205 Mm, he's got plenty.
- 206 His pill caddy is, like, this big.
- 207 All right, well, why don't you go to bed.
- 208 I'll sleep out here on the couch.
- 209 No, no, no, you take the bed. I'll stay out here.
- 210 Even better. Sweet dreams, snot bag.
- 211 See what I'm talking about?
- 212 Oh, yes.
- 213 Oh, that is textbook encroachment.

- 214 And I know because I have the textbook.
- 215 First edition.
- 216 Watch what happens when you move.
- 217 Oh!
- 218 Oh, boy, you weren't kidding.
- 219 Oh, those are, lumens if they're a lumen.
- 220 Well, you know what they say: when life give you lumens, make lumen-
- Ade. (chuckles)
- 221 Was that a joke?
- 222 Yes.
- 223 Based on the premise that "lumen" sounds like "lemon"?
- 224 Yes.
- 225 (chuckles): That's hilarious.
- 226 Okay, what is the setback on property lines in this neighborhood?
- 227 Oh, I don't know.
- 228 It must be on the permit from when you built your deck.
- 229 Uh, yeah, my dad built this.
- 230 We didn't do the whole permit thing.
- 231 Here we go.
- 232 Are you saying I'm standing on an unpermitted deck?
- 233 It's been here for years, Sheldon. It's fine.
- 234 How did the inspector not flag this when he came to check out your bath-room renovation?
- 235 Uh...
- 236 (grunts)
- 237 Are you telling me that I have showered in an uninspected bathroom?
- 238 You showered in our house?
- 239 You made me hold your children.
- 240 What did you expect me to do?
- 241 (exhales)
- 242 You think you know people.
- 243 You do know them, Sheldon.
- 244 Yeah, but-but do we?
- 245 Do we really know them?
- 246 Yes!
- 247 They're rule breakers, Amy.
- 248 And you know what we do with rule breakers?
- 249 Complain about them to our spouse until she's ready to drive into oncoming traffic?
- 250 You can't cross a double yellow line.
- 251 What is this, the Purge?
- 252 So, I guess you're not gonna help them?
- 253 Oh, I'm gonna help them- help them get on the right side of Johnny Law.
- 254 Oh, you can't turn them in.
- 255 The city's gonna make them rip out all the work they've done and do it over.

- 256 It would be the end of your friendship.
- 257 What choice do I have?
- 258 These are the rules.
- 259 Sheldon, I am begging you.
- 260 Please, don't do this.
- 261 You know who doesn't get permits for their decks? Animals.
- 262 Animals don't have decks.
- 263 Oh, really? I have one word for you: beavers.
- 264 (blows nose)
- 265 (sniffles)
- 266 Bert?
- 267 Raj?
- 268 (sniffles)
- 269 Huh.
- 270 Can't believe they're gonna cut that with this punk-ass diamond saw.
- 271 Geez.
- 272 Oh, hey, look.
- 273 "Siglature."
- 274 - Next!
- 275 - Hello.
- 276 Hi! Welcome to the zone zone.
- 277 (chuckles)
- 278 (chuckles):
- 279 Oh, that's funny!
- 280 Hey, I also have a joke for you.
- 281 Lumen-Ade.
- 282 Maybe I told it wrong.
- 283 Well, how can I help you?
- 284 If I know someone in violation of the building code, should I turn them in?
- 285 Interesting question.
- 286 Yeah, I know. Because, on the one hand, Confucius says we owe a greater responsibility to people we're close with rather than to society at large.
- 287 But, on the other hand, Socrates says that we're obligated to obey all laws, even unjust ones.
- 288 And then, furthermore, if we're entertaining rules about when it's okay to break the rules,
- 289 I should—where does it end?
- 290 Well, for me, it ends at: .
- 291 Well, I just- I don't know what to do.
- 292 All I can tell you is that the building codes are there for everyone's safety.
- 293 Oh, so you're saying I have no choice but to turn them in.
- 294 I did not say that.
- 295 But would you?
- 296 And remember that I laughed at your "zone zone" joke.
- 297 LINDA: It's not even a joke!

- 298 Oh, is that Linda back there?
- 299 - Yeah.
- 300 - Aw.
- 301 How are her hot flashes? Any better?
- 302 (mouths)
- 303 Leonard, what are you doing?!
- 304 Showing you that this is the better way.
- 305 Stop! Whatever's inside there is dangerous!
- 306 (zapping)
- 307 KOOTHRAPPALI: Oh.
- 308 And pretty.
- 309 What is that?
- 310 (gas hisses, Leonard shouts)
- 311 Are you okay?
- 312 (groans)
- 313 Yeah, I'm fine.
- 314 I'm just feeling a little...
- 315 (distorted):...hungry.
- 316 (screaming)
- 317 Stop eating Bert!
- 318 Keep eating Bert!
- 319 (screaming)
- 320 PENNY: Leonard.
- 321 Leonard!
- 322 What? What?
- 323 You're having a bad dream.
- 324 Oh, thank God.
- 325 I was eating my friends.
- 326 Well, one friend and one acquaintance.
- 327 You know what, Bert's okay. Two friends.
- 328 Let me see if you're running a fever.
- 329 Yeah.
- 330 Oh, yeah, you're burning up.
- 331 (screaming)
- 332 (screams)
- 333 Geez!
- 334 Are you okay?
- 335 (pants)
- 336 That depends.
- 337 What-what color are my eyes?
- 338 I don't know, brown?
- 339 No, green. No, wait, brown.
- 340 Oh, good, I'm awake.
- 341 Howie, someone's here to see you.
- 342 Hello.
- 343 Hey. What's going on?

- 344 Can you come over here?
- 345 Sheldon, the deck is safe.
- 346 You can walk on it.
- 347 (sighs)
- 348 (exhales)
- 349 Oh, that gets the heart going.
- 350 Mm.
- 351 So, what's up?
- 352 I went down to the city Code Compliance Office to turn you in.
- 353 Are you kidding?
- 354 But I didn't do it.
- 355 I filled out the form and then realized that the unwritten rules of friendship are more important than the written rules of the city of Altadena's Zoning and Planning Department.
- 356 Aw.
- 357 Really? "Aw"?
- 358 And you'll be happy to know that, while I was there,
- 359 I did look into your neighbor's balcony, and it is encroaching on your property line.
- 360 I had all this pent-up snitch energy, so I reported him hard.
- 361 What did they say?
- 362 He's going to have to remove it.
- 363 (chuckles)
- 364 So the good guys win?
- 365 Well, I don't know if I'd call you the good guys.
- 366 You're enforcing a law on him that you're willfully ignoring yourselves.
- 367 Uh, all right, fine.
- 368 So the morally compromised guys win.
- 369 Apparently so.
- 370 Now, if one of you'd be kind enough to take me home, I need to use my bathroom.
- 371 What's wrong with the one here?
- 372 I'm sorry, I want to live.
- 373 (sniffles)
- 374 Hey. You guys got a second?
- 375 Leonard, I told you, buddy. We don't need to use your laser.
- 376 Yeah, all we need is Terry Brad-saw.
- 377 That's what I named my saw.
- 378 No, I-I just wanted to apologize for yesterday.
- 379 I just- I think I was jealous, you know?
- 380 Sheldon and Amy might win a Nobel Prize, and now you guys have this cool meteorite project.
- 381 - Really? You're jealous of us?
- 382 - Yeah.
- 383 I even had this crazy dream last night where I ate you both.
- 384 - Seriously?

- 385 -Uh...
- 386 I know. I was pretty out of it.
- 387 Who'd you eat first?
- 388 Oh. Uh, you.
- 389 (chuckles) Nice.
- 390 (jackhammer rattling)
- 391 This is just delightful.
- 392 Do you think he knows we're the ones that got him in trouble?
- 393 - Who cares?
- 394 -I do. I met his wife.
- 395 She seems really nice.
- 396 ANDY: Sorry about the noise, neighbor!
- 397 No problem!
- 398 Hey, you guys know a Sheldon Cooper?!
- 399 No, we do not!
- 400 Is it just me or has no one been in the store for hours?
- 401 Yeah, it is weirdly quiet.
- 402 (gasps)
- 403 Nobody's in the street.
- 404 Huh. Well, that's strange.
- 405 You thinking what I'm thinking?
- 406 They cut that meteorite open and unleashed a space plague?
- 407 Exactly.
- 408 Let me just lock up here.
- 409 (lock clicks)
- 410 Okay. So what do we do?
- 411 Uh, well, if this is a worst-case scenario and we're the last two people alive,

we're gonna, we're gonna have to rebuild civilization.

- 412 Do you have any special skills?
- 413 I can draw.
- 414 How 'bout you?
- 415 I can play clarinet.
- 416 Oh, I didn't know that.
- 417 Yeah, ten years.
- 418 - Ah.
- 419 You know, it, uh, might also be up to us to repopulate the Earth.
- 420 I'm okay with that.
- 421 (chuckles)
- 422 So... shall we?
- 423 Wait here. I'm gonna brush my teeth.
- 424 Sorry, we're closed!
- 425 This is going on Yelp!

## 4.15 Episode 15: The Donation Oscillation

- 1 Previously on The Big Bang Theory...
- 2 Uh, we sort of have another reason for asking you here.
- 3 We want to have a baby, but we can't do it on our own.
- 4 Okay, whoa, whoa.
- 5 Whoa, whoa, whoa.
- 6 Yeah, this has been such a nice evening.
- 7 Let's all just stop before anyone says any more things.
- 8 Leonard, would you be the father of our baby?
- 9 Oh, you said a thing.
- 10 Thank you, guys, again for agreeing to do this.
- 11 Yeah, it means so much to us.
- 12 Ah, we're happy we can help.
- 13 Yeah, and we don't find it weird at all.
- 14 It's a little weird for us, too.
- 15 I mean, instead of our baby looking like Zack, it's gonna look like Leonard.
- 16 Or Penny if it's a girl.
- 17 No, no, it's not gonna look...
- 18 Sure.
- 19 But I promise, we're gonna be really good parents.
- 20 Mm-hmm.
- 21 Oh, we know you will.
- 22 - So, what is the next step?
- 23 - Yeah.
- 24 Well, Leonard, we were hoping you'd go in on Monday.
- 25 Okay.
- 26 And they say, for the best results, between now and then, you shouldn't have  $\mathbf{s}^*\mathbf{x}.$
- 27 ZACK: Sorry, bro, I know it seems impossible to go for five days without, but I believe in you.
- 28 Five days?
- 29 My record is years.
- 30 Uh, I think that also means no flying solo.
- 31 Oh.
- 32 Then my record is years.
- 33 And, well, we're really hoping for a son.
- 34 So just, like, keep that in mind when you're in there.
- 35 Yeah, just think, "Little boys, little boys." Still just totally not weird.
- 36 Hello.
- 37 Oh, hey, Sheldon.
- 38 We're kind of in the middle of something.
- 39 Oh, I won't be a moment.
- 40 I just need to grab a book off a high shelf, which I can do because I am both tall and smart.
- 41 Sheldon, come home!

- 42 They don't want to have your baby!
- 43 I don't know what you're talking about.
- 44 Oh-oh, dear, I think I got something in my eye.
- 45 My piercing, blue eye.
- 46 - Sheldon!
- 47 - Fine.
- 48 I've also never had a cavity and I don't have asthma...
- 49 Our whole universe was in a hot, dense state
- 50 Then nearly billion years ago expansion started... Wait!
- 51 The Earth began to cool
- 52 The autotrophs began to drool, Neanderthals developed tools
- 53 We built the Wall
- 54 We built the pyramids
- 55 Math, Science, History, unraveling the mystery
- 56 That all started with a big bang
- 57 Bang!
- 58 (sighs)
- 59 So, this week would have been my wedding if Anu and I hadn't decided to slow things down.
- 60 Oh, yeah, I would have forgotten, except for those nonrefundable airline tickets to India I bought.
- 61 I'm sorry.
- 62 No, no.
- 63 What's , between friends?
- 64-Yeah, Iprobably would' vejust thrown it away on health care for mychildren.
- 65-Uh, if yous till want to go, you can go to India and help my dade at all the nonrefundable sushi.
- 66 Indiansushi?
- 67-In eed a change of under wear just thinking about that.
- 68-I really think we made the right decision.
- 69-A greed, although I did have a pretty a we some bachelor party planned for this weekend.
- 70 Really?
- 71 Whatwasit?
- 72-Well, IusedmyNASA connection stogetus four seats on that plane that let syou experience weight less ness.
- 73-The Vomit Comet.
- 74 That is so cool.
- 75-I've always wanted to experience weight less ness.
- 76-The closest I ever came was that time I accidentally set myscale to kilograms.
- 77-Iknow, it would've been fun, but, hey, the next time you decide to marry a woman you barely know.
- 78 We could still go.
- 79 Youknow, make itaguys' weekend.
- 80 Yeah.
- 81 (chuckles)
- 82 Allright, let's doit.
- 83 Great.
- 84 It'll belike the good old days.
- 85-You mean when we were all sad, desperate and horribly alone?

- 86 Irememberitmore fondly.
- 87-Leonard, if you had food on your face, would you want me to tell you?
- 88 Where?
- 89 DidIgetit?
- 90 Oh, no, not now; it was last week.
- 91-Ididn't know whether or not totelly ou, but every one was staring.
- 92 Fortherecord, it was right there.
- 93 Anditwas Nutella.
- 94 Thanks.
- 95-Youlooked like a hazelnut Hitler.
- 96 Hey, who wants to hear some exciting news?
- 97 Oh, what'sup?
- 98-This weekend, I got us four seats on the Vomit Comet.
- 99-Oh, youlost meat" vomit, "youlost meagain at" comet, "and to behone st, I was on the fence at" us."
- 100 Yeah, Ican't goeither.
- 101-Penny's dadisvisiting from Nebraska, and I haven't seen him for a while.
- 102 Oh, that 'sniceyouguys get along.
- 103-I forget, Howard, does your father-in-law still hat eyou?
- 104-WOLOWITZ: He doesn't hat eme.
- 105-He's just disappointed that I'm not any other man on the planet.
- 106-That's how If eel about Ben Affleck as Batman.
- 107 Well, the set wo are out.
- 108 The regoes our guys' weekend.
- 109 Okay, solet's make it a couples' weekend.
- 110 I'llbring Anu, youbring Bernadette.
- 111 I'mnotsure Bernie would like it.
- 112-Maybe I'l linvite Stuart or Bert.
- 113 SHELDON : Oh, gowithBert!
- 114 He'shuge.
- 115-It'd be funt ow at chhim float around.
- 116-Like that time the Underdog balloon got away at the Macy's Parade.
- 117 Hey.
- 118 What are those?
- 119 Oh, vitamins.
- 120-Zackwantsmetotake them to increase my virility.
- 121-Zackused the word" virility"?
- 122-Hemayhave said "wiener power."
- 123 (knockondoor)
- 124 Okay, that's mydad.
- 125-Now, remember, do not bring up any baby stuff, all right?
- 126-Not menot wanting one, not you having one with Zack.
- 127 Gotit.
- 128-Andifhebring situp, change the subject to literally anything else.
- 129 -Igotit.
- 130-But not the Cornhuskers.
- 131-Donot discuss the Cornhuskers.

- 132 Isthatasportsteam?
- 133 Nevermind, you're good.
- 134 Daddy!
- 135 Hi.
- 136 Hey, Slugger.
- 137 (chuckles)
- 138 Aw.
- 139 -Hey, Wyatt.
- 140 -Leonard.
- 141 Hey, that's a hell of a hands hake.
- 142-Ah, well, youknow, I've been taking vitamins.
- 143 Dad, uh, comeonin, sitdown.
- 144 Can Igetyous omething to drink?
- 145 Maybeabeer?
- 146 Sure, if you're having one.
- 147 Okay.
- 148 Andwhywouldn'tyou, since you'r enot pregnant?
- 149 Um...
- 150-Leonard wants to have a baby with myex-boy friend Zack.
- 151 How' bout those Cornhuskers?
- 152-Hey, would you mind if Rajand I went away this weekend?
- 153-Well, it is important for yout wo to keep the sparkalive.
- 154-No, just the bachelor party I had planned.
- 155-Ithought we'd do it anyway.
- 156 Oh, soaguys' weekend?
- 157 Kinda.
- 158-Imean, Sheldon and Leonard couldn't make it, so Rajinvited Anuand I asked Stuart.
- 159 Wait, you invited Stuart beforeme?
- 160-Actually, I invited Bert before Stuart, but I don't know why I just toldy out hat.
- 161 Whydidn't you inviteme?
- 162 Because(chuckles)
- 163 Iknowyou.
- 164 Youdon't want to float weight less in an airplane.
- 165 What are yout alking about?
- 166-Ilovedoing crazy stufflike that.
- 167-Bernie, yougotsick from the teacupride at Disneyland.
- 168 Lots of people do.
- 169-Wewere still in line.
- 170 Soyoudon't want metogo?
- 171 No, Iwantyoutogoifyou'regonnahavefun.
- 172-Idon't wanty out ogo if you'r egon na bemiserable and ruinit for every one.
- 173-Which is a long way of saying I want you to go!
- 174 (quietly): Ithinkthis is going pretty good, huh?
- 175 Maybe for you.
- 176-Youth rew me under the bus.
- 177 Oh, I'msorry.

- 178 Ipanicked.
- 179-Hewas judging me.
- 180 Well, yeah, nowhe's judging me.
- 181 Iknow.
- 182 Itworked.
- 183-Youtwomight want total klouder or quieter.
- 184-In high school, he could he arme open a can of beer in my closet under a blanket.
- 185 Solet meget this straight, Leonard.
- 186-She doesn't want to have your baby, but her dumbbellex-boy friend does.
- 187-Well, I--no, I wouldn't say it like that.
- 188-Howwould you say it?
- 189 (sighs)
- 190 Uh, samewords, justless angry.
- 191-Well, Idon't know about Los Angeles, but in Nebraska, that's kind of strange.
- 192-It's strangehere, too, and we have a bakery for dogs.
- 193 Andyou'reokaywith this?
- 194 Isupportmyhusband.
- 195--Thankyou.
- 196-But, you know, if you think differently, you should feel free to say so.
- 197 Youknow, justlike, "Ah!" Makeascene.
- 198-Okay, look, they can't have kids of their own, and they like that I'ms mart, and they want that for their child.
- 199 No, Igetit.
- 200 Youdo?
- 201 Sure.
- 202-Back on the farm, we had a prize stallion.
- 203 We didn't let that just qo towaste; we put him out to stud.
- 204 No, no, this is...
- 205 this is a little different than that ...
- 206 No, no, hey, hey, hey, hey, hey, hey.
- 207 Uh, youwere comparing metoaprizes tud.
- 208 Goon.
- 209 You have fun with your newbest buddy?
- 210 Hey, it's your fault your dad like sme.
- 211-You date did iots your whole life.
- 212 Well, hewas right about one thing.
- 213-I ammarried to a stud.
- 214 (chuckles)
- 215 Mm.
- 216 Really?
- 217-Yeah, If elts obadabout selling you out, It hought I would may be make it up to you.
- 218 (bothchuckle)
- 219 (moans)
- 220 (stammers)
- 221 Wait, wait.
- 222 Ican't.
- 223-Imean, Iwantto, but I'mnot supposed to for the next three days.

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224 - Oh.
225-That's right.\\
226-Iforgot.
227 - (groans)
228-Allright, well, quess I'lljustreadalittleand then-Idon't know-gotosleep.
229 - Really?
230 - That's what you're sleeping in?
231 - Oh, youwant metotake it of f?
232 - No.
233 - Allright.
234-Well, then pipedown and let mere admy comic book.
235 - Penny, I - Iknowwhatyou'redoing.
236 - Just please stop.
237 - Ooh, listentothis.
238 - "Bam.
239 - "Pow.
240 - Takethat, Batman."
241-Thanks again for doing this, guys.
242-Of course.
243 - -Soexcited.
244 - I'mgladyoucame.
245-Howard made its ound like this wasn't your kind of thing a superior of the superior of t
246 - Hedidsaythat, buthere Iam.
247 - Sowhatdoesheknow?
248 - I'msorry.
249 - Ijust...
250 - (scoffs)
251-didn't thinkyou'denjoy plummeting to the Earth at miles anhour.\\
252-Ilovegoing fast, unlike Grandmahere, poking along atmiles anhour.
253 - AmIright?
254 - I'veal ways wanted to do this.
255 - I'manadrenalinejunkie.
256-Roller coasters, snowboarding, dating men who bathewith their dogs.
257 - It was during a drought.
258 - I'mathrill - seeker, too.
259-I've had topull back since I became a mom, but I'll still jump on the back of a grocery cart and just roll through the resulting the properties of the
260 - AndI'mmarried to her, which is quite the ride.
261 - (exhales)
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262 - (sputters) 263 - (clinking)264 - Amy?

268 - What?269 - (grunts)

265-There's something out here.

267 - I'lltry, but it's Leonard.

266-Just trapit under a cup, and I'll be the reinaminute.

- 270 Well, what is hedoing here?
- 271-Itoldyou, if we left pizza on the counter, we 'dattract something.
- 272 Oh, hey, guys.
- 273 Sorry.
- 274 Iusedmykey.
- 275-I just needed a place to crash.
- 276-Is everything okay?
- 277 Yeah, I...
- 278 hadtogetout of the apartment.
- 279-Mywife kepttrying to haves\*xwithme.
- 280 Beenthere.
- 281 Why are youtrying to avoid havings \* x?
- 282 Well, we just did it three weeks ago.
- 283 IwastalkingtoLeonard!
- 284-Well, I-I have to go to the clinic for Zack and Marissa on Monday, and I'm supposed to save my selfuntil then.
- 285-Sounds like may be Penny's not totally on board with that plan.
- 286 Well, she said she was.
- 287 Butshealsosaid Ilooked dope.
- 288-Honestly, Idon't event hink I looked fly.
- 289-Soyou're willing to go through with this, even though she clearly has reservations?
- 290-If she has a problem, she should say something.
- 291 Shetried to seduce you.
- 292-If that's not a cry for help, Idon't know what is.
- 293-Penny doesn't want to have kids.
- 294 Irespect that.
- 295 Butthis is mychance to leave a part of me behind.
- 296 Okay, butthisisn't gonnamakeyou adad.
- 297 It's gonnabetheir baby, not yours.
- 298-Although, someday, if that kidwants to know why he's short, near sighted, and as threatic...
- 299 ... hemay huntyou down.
- 300-A reyouguys ready for the most intense experience of your life?
- 301 -Yes.
- 302 Definitely.
- 303-Nottobrag, but I'man astronaut, so I've been weight less before.
- 304 Canbepretty scary.
- 305 Please, I'm, like, pounds.
- 306-I'm weight less every time I hold more than three balloons.
- 307-Okay, I just needy ouguys to sign these waivers, and then you can go get changed.
- 308 There are a lot of pages here.
- 309-Isthis a waiver or a screen playyou've been working on?
- 310 I'msureit's just boiler plate.
- 311 Absolutely.
- 312 It's toprotect usin case of injury.
- 313-Itsays, "Ordeath." Which is a we some.
- 314 -Done.
- 315 Where are the changing rooms?

- 316-D ressing rooms are in the back.
- 317 Nopeeking.
- 318 Hereyougo.
- 319 Okay.
- 320 Should we go get changed?
- 321 Yeah.
- 322-Hangonase cond.
- 323 What?
- 324 Just -Ihavetwo babies at home.
- 325 WhatamIdoing?
- 326-Ifyoudon't want to do this, then why'd you come?
- 327-To prove to Howard that he doesn't know measwell as he think she does.
- 328-Lookslikehedoes.
- 329 Unless Idoit and then he doesn't.
- 330 Whynotjust behonest?
- 331 (sighs)
- 332-You'r eright.
- 333-I should behonest.
- 334 Youoweme, for those plane tickets to India!
- 335 (cheering on TV)
- 336 (sighs)
- 337 Hey.
- 338 That was a long run.
- 339 Yeah.
- 340 Well, I was in the zone.
- 341 You know, and then in a diner and then in a massage chair at the mall where I fell asleep.
- 342 Are you avoiding me?
- 343 Well, I took a nap next to Hot Dog on a Stick.
- 344 What do you think?
- 345 I think you're mad at me and Leonard, but maybe...
- 346 you're really mad at yourself.
- 347 Why would I be mad at myself?
- 348 'Cause you regret this "no baby" plan of yours.
- 349 You know, it's pretty crappy of you to make me feel bad about this.
- 350 I'm not trying to make you feel bad.
- 351 But... do you?
- 352 Yes.
- 353 I feel like I'm letting everybody down.
- 354 Hate disappointing Leonard, but I really hate disappointing you.
- 355 Oh, Slugger, you could never disappoint me.
- 356 Okay, your high school years were a little rough.
- 357 And I'm sorry about that.
- 358 There was you sneaking out at night and your boyfriends sneaking out in the morning.
- 359 I said sorry.

- 360 That time you got drunk and stole a horse.
- 361 Yeah.
- 362 I was there.
- 363 I remember.
- 364 Parts of it.
- 365 But besides all that, being your dad is the best thing ever happened to
- 366 What about Randall and Lisa?
- 367 They're okay.
- 368 I just don't want you to miss out.
- 369 I know.
- 370 But if this is really what you want- or don't want- I'm on your side.
- 371 Thanks.
- 372 (door opens)
- 373 Hey.
- 374 Hey.
- 375 Uh, Wyatt, we need to talk.
- 376 Sure.
- 377 What's up?
- 378 I want you to back off.
- 379 You know?
- 380 I-If Penny and I don't have kids, that's between us.
- 381 So you need to stay out of it.
- 382 Oh, Leonard, it's okay.
- 383 We talked.
- 384 We're good.
- 385 Oh.
- 386 Okay, you could've stopped me sooner.
- 387 Could've let you go longer.
- 388 Uh-huh.
- 389 You did great, Leonard.
- 390 Very forceful.
- 391 Yeah?
- 392 (chuckles)
- 393 I-I-I felt like my voice was a little shaky there.
- 394 Um...
- 395 Hey, I decided to not go through with this Zack and Marissa thing.
- 396 Really?
- 397 - But you were so excited about it.
- 398 - I know.
- 399 But, um...
- 400 I think I was just fooling myself.
- 401 I-I would be heartbroken if I had a kid out there and I wasn't his dad.
- 402 I know you would.
- 403 (clicks tongue)
- 404 Yeah.

- 405 (inhales deeply)
- 406 (quietly): So, that thing you wanted to do last night, I'm available.
- 407 I got real good hearing there, stud.
- 408 All right, everyone's suited up.
- 409 Let's head out to the tarmac!
- 410 Actually, one second.
- 411 Howie, I don't think I should do this.
- 412 Really?
- 413 Well, I did not see that coming.
- 414 Just- We have kids, and it's not smart to put us both in danger.
- 415 That's a good point.
- 416 When I was little, my parents never flew together.
- 417 We thought it was because they loved us, but it turns out they hated each other.
- 418 See?
- 419 I just think I shouldn't go.
- 420 Actually, this is much safer than driving a car.
- 421 Stay out of it, flyboy!
- 422 You're right.
- 423 (chuckles)
- 424 But I've done this before.
- 425 And since you really, really want to go, I'll stay here.
- 426 Oh.
- 427 Great.
- 428 Unless you don't want to because I was right and I do know you.
- 429 Well, if you really know me, then you know how far I'll go to prove a point.
- 430 - Apparently, , feet that way, then straight back down, up and down, over and over again until you throw up food you didn't even eat.
- 431 They are definitely your weirdest friends.
- 432 If only that were true.
- 433 (screaming)
- 434 I hate this so much!
- 435 Why am I doing this?!
- 436 To prove a stupid point to your husband!
- 437 Oh, right.
- 438 Worth it.
- 439 Hey, Zack.
- 440 Um, look, I-I know this is gonna be disappointing, but, um, I-I can't do this.
- 441 No, no, no, no.
- 442 I-I, I know how. I just can't.
- 443 (stammers)
- 444 But, hey, look, i-if you like, I-I know someone who might be interested.
- 445 No!
- 446 Absolutely not!

447 - I'm sorry, my wife says I'm not allowed.

## 4.16 Episode 16: The D D Vortex

- 1 All right, Professor Proton fans, get ready to meet Dr. Sheldon Cooper and Dr. Amy Farrah Fowler, a pair of real-life scientists who may win the Nobel Prize.
- 2 That's like the Kids' Choice Award, but with more science and less slime.
- 3 Hi, thanks for having us.
- 4 Kids' Choice Award?
- 5 Why would they let kids choose anything?
- 6 They're basically human larvae.
- 7 Well, they are kind of our target audience.
- 8 Greetings, children.
- 9 Toys, am I right?
- 10 He is.
- 11 He has hundreds of them.
- 12 So you two have discovered something that a lot of people are really excited about.
- 13 (chuckles)
- 14 We have.
- 15 Now, before you explain it, keep in mind that our average viewer is this many.
- 16 Okay, imagine you're looking in a mirror.
- 17 The image you see looks just like you.
- 18 That's called symmetrical.
- 19 Now imagine you have a billion mirrors, and each of them reflects one thing about you correctly and a billion things about you incorrectly.
- 20 And imagine the set of incorrect things are floating in an abstract n-dimensional hyperspace.
- 21 Now imagine there was never a mirror to begin with.
- 22 Oh, was that a doorbell?
- 23 I didn't hear anything.
- 24 (doorbell rings)
- 25 Huh, there it is again.
- 26 Sheldon, why don't you answer it?
- 27 But I don't know who it is.
- 28 Maybe it's a special guest who I invited just to surprise you.
- 29 Why don't you open it up and find out.
- 30 This is a terrible message to send to children.
- 31 Children, you never open the door if you don't know who's on the other side.
- 32 You always make your mommy or daddy do it while you hide under the bed and try to imagine what your superhero name will be when you avenge their deaths.
- 33 I'll get it.

- 34 But it can't be The Silver Shadow- that's mine.
- 35 Hello.
- 36 Captain on the bridge!
- 37 Captain on the bridge!
- 38 You're William Shatner.
- 39 You can call me Bill.
- 40 Ooh, can I call you Captain?
- 41 No.
- 42 Please?
- 43 No.
- 44 (whispers): Please?
- 45 Sure.
- 46 And w-will you call me Science Officer Cooper?
- 47 This has got to stop.
- 48 I think you know how to make it stop.
- 49 Put her there, Science Officer Cooper.
- 50 Put her there, Science Officer Cooper.
- 51 (Sheldon vomits)
- 52 Oh, poor Shatner.
- 53 Poor Shatner?
- 54 I have to eat lunch now.
- 55 Look, Sheldon's pretty embarrassed, so when he gets here, we should...
- 56 Make fun of him?
- 57 (chuckles)
- 58 A lot.
- 59 Guys, don't you think that's a little mean?
- 60 Yeah.
- 61 Okay, just so we're all on the same page.
- 62 Yeah.
- 63 - Hello.
- 64 OTHERS: Hey.
- 65 So, Sheldon, did you get William Shatner's autograph, or maybe his dry cleaning bill?
- 66 (chuckles)
- 67 Very funny, get it all out.
- 68 Like you did on William Shatner?
- 69 Raj, do you have something to add?
- 70 You brought shame upon yourself and your family.
- 71 It's not funny, but it's true.
- 72 I will admit the meeting did not go the way I wanted.
- 73 (à la Shatner): Because you barfed where no man has barfed before?
- 74 Well, the next time I meet him, it will go better.
- 75 Next time?
- 76 What makes you think there's gonna be a next time?
- 77 Wil will give me another chance.
- 78 He thinks the world of me.

- 79 Aw.
- 80 One of the reasons I love you is you actually believe that.
- 81 Thank you.
- 82 Our whole universe was in a hot, dense state
- 83 Then nearly billion years ago expansion started... Wait!
- 84 The Earth began to cool
- 85 The autotrophs began to drool, Neanderthals developed tools
- 86 We built the Wall
- 87 We built the pyramids
- 88 Math, Science, History, unraveling the mystery
- 89 That all started with a big bang
- 90 Bang!
- 91 Wil Wheaton.
- 92 Wil Wheaton.
- 93 Wil Wheaton.
- 94 (doorbell rings)
- 95 Wil Wheaton.
- 96 (doorbell rings)
- 97 Wil Wheaton.
- 98 (doorbell rings)
- 99 Wil Wheaton.
- 100 Now's not a good time, Sheldon.
- 101 For what?
- 102 You.
- 103 I need to apologize.
- 104 Apology accepted.
- 105 MAN: Wil, come on, I cast fireball, you need to roll your dexterity save.
- 106 I'll be right there.
- 107 Are you playing Dungeons Dragons?
- 108 - No.
- 109  $\mathrm{MAN}$  : Would you hurry up, man, the map says this dungeon's full of dragons.
- 110 Still no.
- 111 Who are you playing with?
- 112 Ugh...
- 113 it's just some friends, you don't know them.
- 114 SHATNER: Wheaton, get back here.
- 115 Hobgoblins are at the gate, and you're at the door buying Girl Scout Cookies.
- 116 Is that William Shat...?
- 117 Nope.
- 118 Hey, you guys want to read my fan fiction mash-up, "Captain Marvelous
- Mrs. Maisel"?
- 119 - Nope.
- 120 - No.
- 121 - Certainly not.

- 122 You don't even know what it's about.
- 123 Is it about a superhero who finds her voice by doing stand-up?
- 124 That's so much better than what I had.
- 125 Mine is just a Jewish girl that flies.
- 126 I'd read that.
- 127 Guys, guys, Wil Wheaton hosts a secret celebrity DD game.
- 128 How do you know?
- 129 Who was there?
- 130 Why are you damp?
- 131 I was trying to peek in Wil's window, and he turned the sprinklers on.
- 132 Oh, that means they must be really famous.
- 133 I'm almost positive I heard William Shatner.
- 134 I wonder who else is playing.
- 135 I-I bet we can use graph theory to determine who Wil knows and who is likely to play DD.
- 136 Yes.
- 137 Okay, obviously he's connected to the whole Next Gen cast...
- 138 So this is the rest of our night, huh?
- 139 Oh, no, this is the rest of our lives.
- 140 And Josh Brolin gets you to every Avenger.
- 141 Kevin Smith's in this article about celebrities who play DD.
- 142 Oh!
- 143 A-And he was on Wil's podcast, so they know each other.
- 144 G-Go on his Instagram, see if you can find anything.
- 145 Yeah, he-he posted something an hour ago: "GameNight." That looks like Wil's house.
- 146 William Shatner, Kevin Smith—who else could be there?
- 147 Do you see what I see over his shoulder?
- 148 Is that a ghost?
- 149 I think it's Stuart.
- 150 That is Stuart.
- 151 What-What's he doing there?
- 152 Maybe he died in Wil's house and he can't leave until he solves his own murder.
- 153 Why would Wil invite Stuart and not us?
- 154 I know the answer.
- 155 Yeah.
- 156 We all know the answer.
- 157 Hev, guvs.
- 158 You're home late.
- 159 Uh, yeah.
- 160 I had a crazy night.
- 161 I went to the pharmacy.
- 162 I like to be there when the new decongestants drop.
- 163 Cut the crap.
- 164 We know where you were.

- 165 We know what you were doing.
- 166 Yeah, I just told you.
- 167 I was at CVS breathing my ass off.
- 168 Oh, you were breathing, all right.
- 169 You were breathing the rarefied air of celebrities.
- 170 I don't know what you're talking about.
- 171 Then why are you trembling?
- 172 I'm always trembling.
- 173 We know you were at Wil's DD game.
- 174 We saw you on Instagram.
- 175 We just want to know how you got invited.
- 176 I can't talk about it or they won't invite me back next week.
- 177 So there's another game next week.
- 178 I didn't mean to say that.
- 179 Who's in it?
- 180 I can't tell you!
- 181 How do we get invited?
- 182 I don't know!
- 183 How many hit dice are they playing the wereboar as having?
- 184 d + I mean, I don't know!
- 185 (phone ringing)
- 186 Hey, Stuart.
- 187 I don't want to play anymore.
- 188 It's too much pressure.
- 189 Why, what happened?
- 190 I've-I've said too much.
- 191 You haven't said anything.
- 192 Not to you, to them.
- 193 Who's them?
- 194 Ah!
- 195 Now I have said too much!
- 196 But y-you blocked your number, right?
- 197 Relax, this is not my first creepy phone call.
- 198 It's like riding a bike...
- 199 slowly past a girl's house.
- 200 WHEATON (over phone): Hello.
- 201 (imitating Shatner): Wil, Bill Shatner here.
- 202 Is this Howard?
- 203 Of course not.
- 204 It-It's Shatner.
- 205 If you don't believe me, ask my good friend, Christopher Walken.
- 206 (imitating Walken): Hello, Bill and I are just hanging out...
- 207 at The Polo Lounge.
- 208  ${\rm Mr}.$
- 209 Shatner, Mr.
- 210 Walken, here are your martinis.

- 211 (glass dings)
- 212 (whispering in normal voice): What are you doing?
- 213 I'm filling out the world.
- 214 You're ruining it.
- 215 No, he's not.
- 216 Thanks, Wil.
- 217 Sheldon, why are you walking everywhere?
- 218 Just get a horse.
- 219 I had a horse.
- 220 It got hit by a train.
- 221 Get another one.
- 222 I can't just replace Chauncey.
- 223 I'm still in the grieving process.
- 224 (phone ringing)
- 225 Hey.
- 226 Hey, Leonard, I have an opening in my DD game next week, and I was wondering if you were interested in playing.
- 227 Well, yes, thank you.
- 228 Okay, great.
- 229 Now, here's the thing, you can't tell anyone.
- 230 I'm serious, not Howard, not Raj, and certainly not Sheldon.
- 231 Okay.
- 232 I'm really sorry to put you in a position where you have to lie to your friends...
- 233 See you there!
- 234 You come face to face with a massive monster with a gaping maw full of teeth, three huge legs, and flailing tentacles.
- 235 What do you do?
- 236 Fellas, it looks like we're facing a, an otyugh.
- 237 Here's the plan...
- 238 Hold on there, Bill.
- 239 Now what, Kareem?
- 240 How do we know it's not a Neo-otyugh?
- 241 Same way I know the difference between an owlbear and a bugbear.
- 242 Does that answer your question?
- 243 No.
- 244 Look, there's one way to settle this: we chop it up and look at the pieces.
- 245 Oh, come on, why do you always got to attack everything?
- 246 Why can't we just try talking to it?
- 247 Big surprise, Podcast here wants to talk.
- 248 What do you think, Leonard?
- 249 I think this is the greatest day of my entire life.
- 250 It's all right, buddy, one day you'll meet a girl.
- 251 Hey, how was your lecture?
- 252 Oh, it was so good.
- 253 I-I-I mean, it-it started great, and then the, the middle was great, and

- then the ending was like...
- 254 (imitates explosion)
- 255 So great.
- 256 Leonard, if you went to House of Pies again, just say it.
- 257 (stammers)
- 258 Wait, if you think I'm lying, why do you think I'm eating pies?
- 259 Why don't you think I'm...
- 260 having an affair?
- 261 Listen, i-it's fine, just next time, bring me a slice.
- 262 Okay, well, if you really want to know, I'll tell you where I was.
- 263 I was at Wil's DD game, but that's all I can say.
- 264 Oh, fun.
- 265 Were there famous people there?
- 266 Ah, sorry, I-I-I can't tell you that.
- 267 Okay, well, yes, but I-I-I can't tell you who.
- 268 Well, no, I-I can tell you Shatner, but that's only because you already knew that one.
- 269 Well, I'm glad you had fun.
- 270 Yeah.
- 271 Ugh, I wish I could tell you who else was there.
- 272 (chuckles)
- 273 I can't, I promised.
- 274 Yeah, if it makes you feel better, I couldn't care less.
- 275 That's true, you don't care, so there's no harm in telling you.
- 276 Okay, you really don't have to.
- 277 All right, I'll tell you.
- 278 Uh...
- 279 (stammers)
- 280 Kevin Smith was there, and-and, uh, this really tall guy named Kareem.
- 281 Wait-wait, K-Kareem Abdul-Jabbar?
- 282 I don't know, it was, uh, Kareem something Jabbar.
- 283 How do you know him?
- 284 How do you not know him?
- 285 Well, I know him now 'cause he was there.
- 286 Wow.
- 287 That is so cool.
- 288 Oh, a-and that, uh, the guy that played the werewolf on-on True Blood, he was there.
- 289 Wh- Joe Manganiello?
- 290 Uh, yeah.
- 291 From Magic Mike? What's that?
- 292 Okay, okay, did he look... like this?
- 293 He had his clothes on, but, yeah.
- 294 (sighs)
- 295 I can't believe you met Joe Manganiello.
- 296 Is he nice?

- 297 Oh, he's so nice.
- 298 I-I-I rolled my dice underneath the couch, and he just lifted it up, one hand.
- 299 Oh, I-I bet he did.
- 300 Hi.
- 301 Okay, can you guys keep a secret?
- 302 Yeah.
- 303 Sure.
- 304 Good, 'cause I can't.
- 305 Leonard played Dungeons Dragons with the hot guy from Magic Mike. I never got to see that movie.
- 306 Seriously?
- 307 Yeah, Howie made us leave as soon as he realized it wasn't about magic.
- 308 Well, I have seen that movie one or seven times, and trust me, it is magic.
- 309 - Which guy?
- 310 - That one.
- 311 Abracadabra.
- 312 Hey, you know what was fun?
- 313 That time we played Dungeons Dragons.
- 314 That was fun.
- 315 We should play that more.
- 316 Sorry, what now?
- 317 Hey, what are you guys doing here?
- 318 Oh, I, uh, think Sheldon might have left something.
- 319 Oh, you mean, besides his lunch?
- 320 (laughter)
- 321 You are so funny, Wil.
- 322 We were just talking about how funny you are.
- 323 Yeah, Leonard told you, didn't he?
- 324 - Yeah.
- 325 Mm-hmm.
- 326 - Yup.
- 327 - Yeah.
- 328 It's Manganiello?
- 329 - Uh-huh.
- 330 - Mm-hmm.
- 331 - Mm-hmm.
- 332 Feel good about yourselves?
- 333 - Nope.
- 334 - No.
- 335 - Yeah.
- 336 Oh, we're going with no?
- 337 No.
- 338 Hey, guys.
- 339 What are you smiling about?
- 340 What?

- 341 This is my regular face.
- 342 No, it's not.
- 343 Y-Your regular face is more like this...
- 344 No, no, i-it's-it's more in the eyebrows, like this...
- 345 (chuckles)
- 346 Okay, make your jokes.
- 347 I'm still in a great mood.
- 348 (phone ringing)
- 349 Hey.
- 350 Wait, what?
- 351 Why?
- 352 Oh, come on, but...
- 353 O-Okay, fine.
- 354 Huh, Raj was right, it is more in the eyebrows.
- 355 What was that all about?
- 356 Wil kicked me out of his DD game.
- 357 You were in Wil's DD game?
- 358 With William Shatner?
- 359 And you didn't tell us?
- 360 I'm sorry, Wil made me promise not to.
- 361 I thought we were friends.
- 362 Oh, come on, you guys would do the same thing.
- 363 No, we wouldn't!
- 364 I told you when I was in spin class with Scarlett Johansson.
- 365 It didn't even turn out to be Scarlett Johansson.
- 366 Well, that's her fault, not mine!
- 367 It doesn't matter because Penny blabbed about it and now I'm out.
- 368 So there's an open seat.
- 369 Wil!
- 370 Wil Wheaton!
- 371 Open!
- 372 Open!
- 373 No.
- 374 No.
- 375 No.
- 376 Hell no.
- 377 Look, we know Leonard is out.
- 378 You need to fill a seat.
- 379 It should be one of us.
- 380 Or give me another chance.
- 381 I think me and Joe Manganiello were really hitting it off.
- 382 Joe Manganiello was there?
- 383 From Magic Mike? You guys suck.
- 384 Agreed.
- 385 You guys suck.
- 386 Let's go, Wil.

- 387 No.
- 388 All of you.
- 389 You're just trying to use me to get close to my famous friends.
- 390 Do you know how that makes me feel?
- 391 Flattered?
- 392 (chuckles)
- 393 Used.
- 394 I was gonna guess that.
- 395 One of the worst things about being a celebrity is you never know if people
- like you for you.
- 396 Well, thanks for letting me know.
- 397 (sighs)
- 398 You're right, that was really crappy of us.
- 399 Yeah, I guess we just got caught up in the excitement.
- 400 We're sorry, Wil.
- 401 We do like you for you.
- 402 And if it makes you feel any better, I don't even really consider you a celebrity.
- 403 Should we go or do you want to wait for the sprinklers?
- 404 Guys, I-I still feel a little bad about Wil.
- 405 Me, too.
- 406 Yeah.
- 407 We should invite him to come play with us.
- 408 Ask him to bring some chips because we're all out.
- 409 (stammers)
- 410 Hey, Wil, this is Leonard.
- 411 (gasps)
- 412 Make it Bugles.
- 413 No, no, no, no, pretzel sticks.
- 414 No, no, no, Bugles.
- 415 We're gonna play some DD and thought you might want to join us.
- 416 Thank you, Leonard, but actually I can't do it tonight.
- 417 Uh, how about another time?
- 418 Okay, great.
- 419 Thanks.
- 420 Bye.
- 421 Okay, where were we?
- 422 I was about to go all Wrath of Khan on the ogres.
- 423 Oh, man, that's it.
- 424 Put another dollar in the Star Trek jar, Bill.
- 425 Worth it.
- 426 Speaking of putting dollars in things...
- 427 I loved you in Magic Mike. (chuckles)
- 428 Thanks.
- 429 (chuckles)
- 430 Switch places with me.

- 431 Are we playing musical chairs or Dungeons Dragons?
- 432 Yeah, let's teach that ogre what my broadsword tastes like.
- 433 I like vour moxie.
- 434 Aw, and I like your grandpa words.
- 435 My dad and I watched you win back-to-back championships.
- 436 And I watched you sniff Joe's hair when he wasn't looking.
- 437 Thank you again for inviting us, and don't worry, we won't tell the guys.
- 438 You know what, why don't you tell the guys?
- 439 In fact, let's all take a picture and send it to them right now.
- 440 (phones buzzing)
- 441 That's weird.
- 442 We deserve that.

## 4.17 Episode 17: The Conference Valuation

- 1 Previously on The Big Bang Theory...
- 2 The drug I've been working on for the past five years just got approved by the FDA.
- 3 - Wow.
- 4 - Oh. Congratulations.
- 5 Was that the decongestant you developed?
- 6 No, we had to rebrand that as a solvent for mining equipment.
- 7 It's her anti-inflammatory drug.
- 8 Oh.
- 9 Yep, three years of testing and no reported side effects.
- 10 - Hmm, so it works.
- 11 - Eh.
- 12 Well, congratulations, I'm so happy for you.
- 13 Yeah, well, I'm happy for you because I want you to head up my sales team.
- 14 Really? Me? Don't you want someone with more experience?
- 15 No, the job's all yours.
- 16 All right, now I'm sure some of you are wondering, "Who is this woman?
- 17 "How did she get to be in charge of the sales team? Is it because she's friends with Dr. Rostenkowski?"
- 18 Because she is.
- 19 "Is it because she was Miss Cornhusker and still fits in those very same jeans?"
- 20 Because she was, and she does and they're actually a little baggy.
- 21 "And the absence of side effects means that Inflaminex can be taken in conjunction with other medications. It's a brand-new day."
- 22 (exhales)
- 23 Such a good tagline, I forgot, who came up with that?
- 24 - You did.
- 25 - That's right, I did.
- 26 Okay, I know it's late and I've been working you guys really hard, so I have a little treat for you.

- 27 - We get to go home?
- 28 - No.
- 29 You get to stay here and get vitamin B shots.
- 30 (team members groan)
- 31 Oh, my God.
- 32 You guys are still here?
- 33 We're happy to be here. It's a brand-new day.
- 34 It's:, it's literally a brand-new day.
- 35 Everybody go home.
- 36 (scoffs)
- 37 All right, fine. Go, get out of here.
- 38 Go on. (sighs)
- 39 I think things are going pretty good.
- 40 Are you aware that Dave's in the break room crying?
- 41 Yeah, I told him if he's gonna be a crybaby, go to the break room.
- 42 I just really want to be prepared for this conference.
- 43 - You're gonna do great.
- 44 You really think so?
- 45 Of course; they're scared of you, you're scared of me-
- 46 The system works.
- 47 Our whole universe was in a hot, dense state
- 48 Then nearly billion years ago expansion started... Wait!
- 49 The Earth began to cool
- 50 The autotrophs began to drool, Neanderthals developed tools
- 51 We built the Wall
- 52 We built the pyramids
- 53 Math, Science, History, unraveling the mystery
- 54 That all started with a big bang
- 55 Bang!
- 56 Okay, Howie, I'm going.
- 57 - Have a great conference.
- 58 - Thanks.
- 59 Remember, I'm leaving you with two babies.
- 60 I expect to see two babies when I get back, and they better be the same two babies because I'll know.
- 61 I think I'm capable of babysitting.
- 62 Don't call it babysitting; they're your children.
- 63 It's called parenting.
- 64 What's the difference?
- 65 You don't get paid.
- 66 Now, the emergency contacts are on the fridge and I left money for food on the table.
- 67 Oh, sounds like I do get paid.
- 68 (chuckles)
- 69 Don't worry.
- 70 I got this covered.

- 71 I know you do.
- 72 Quick question, where are the kids right now?
- 73 They're upstairs.
- 74 They're at daycare.
- 75 - They're at daycare?
- 76 - They're upstairs!
- 77 - Why are you messing with me?!
- 78 (clears throat)
- 79 Wow. That's a lot of luggage for a weekend.
- 80 (groans)
- 81 I know.
- 82 I didn't know what to wear, so I brought a few options.
- 83 Was one of the options the option to never come back?
- 84 (sighs)
- 85 (chuckles) I just really want this weekend to go well.
- 86 Doesn't answer my question, but okay.
- 87 I love you.
- 88 I love you, too.
- 89 And you're gonna do great.
- 90 Just relax, stay out of your head, and try to enjoy it.
- 91 Aw. That reminds me of what I said to you the first time we slept together.
- 92 I still use it.
- 93 - It's a mantra.
- 94 - Yeah.
- 95 Oh, thank goodness!
- 96 I caught you before you left.
- 97 I'm just going for the weekend.
- 98 Just the weekend.
- 99 You all heard her say it.
- 100 So, your convention is in San Diego, right?
- 101 Yes.
- 102 Great. I need you to settle a bet for Amy and me.
- 103 I say, when it's not Comic-Con, no one will be dressed as superheroes.
- 104 Mm-hmm.
- 105 And I say fewer people will be dressed as superheroes but still some.
- 106 A crazy person in a cape doesn't count.
- 107 Mm, why not?
- 108 It counts at Comic-Con.
- 109 Also, if you get a chance to sneak into Hall H, last year, I left my neck pillow under my seat.
- 110 Uh, third row, second from the aisle.
- 111 I'll see what I can do.
- 112 Thank you.
- 113 At least there will be one superhero in San Diego.
- 114 So, Leonard, what are you gonna do while Penny's away?
- 115 I don't know.

- 116 Maybe watch a movie with subtitles.
- 117 If you're looking for something outside the norm, I have invented a new chess variant where the bishops can also move like knights.
- 118 What do you call that, Bishops Be Crazy?
- 119 First of all, it would be "Bishops Are Crazy."
- 120 Not if you're being crazy.
- 121 Checkmate.
- 122 Hey, guys.
- 123 - Hey.
- 124 - Hello.
- 125 Where are the kids?
- 126 I thought they were with you.
- 127 - What? No! I...
- 128 - I'm kidding.
- 129 They're at daycare.
- 130 (chuckles)
- 131 What about me makes you think my heart can handle that joke?
- 132 Hey.
- 133 You guys want to come hang out at my place this weekend?
- 134 So we can help you babysit?
- 135 Uh, it's not babysitting.
- 136 They're my children.
- 137 They're not our children.
- 138 Oh. Well, for you guys, then, it is babysitting.
- 139 No offense, Howard, but I don't want to spend my weekend around your loud, sticky babies.
- 140 You can't insult my kids. I am offended.
- 141 N-No, you can't be. I said "no offense."
- 142 That's like "no backsies" but for offense.
- 143 What do you say? We'll play some board games.
- 144 It'll be like a party.
- 145 Three guys playing a board game doesn't sound like much of a party.
- 146 (chuckles) Someone doesn't remember college very well.
- 147 As opposed to the leading nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory, our product greatly reduces the risk of ulcers.
- 148 So it won't burn a hole in your stomach. (chuckles)
- 149 And it won't burn a hole in your wallet, either!
- 150 Okay.
- 151 (chuckles)
- 152 I got this.
- 153 (chuckles)
- 154 Thank you for stopping by.
- 155 It's a brand-new day!
- 156 - See? You're doing great.
- 157 - Yeah.
- 158 Mediocre actress, great drug pusher.

- 159 Who knew?
- 160 Inflaminex, huh?
- 161 So what can you tell me about it?
- 162 - Well, we...
- 163 Oh, don't waste your time.
- 164 His name is Danny. He works for one of the other drug companies.
- 165 Hey, nothing wrong with checking out the competition.
- 166 Aw, we don't see you as competition.
- 167 You should.
- 168 Our anti-inflammatory is hitting the market this year, too.
- 169 Well, ours has zero drug interaction risk.
- 170 Yeah. So does an Altoid.
- 171 Speaking of Altoids, why don't you go get one?
- 172 (chuckles):
- 173 Okay.
- 174 Let's everyone calm down.
- 175 If you can't find a pill for that here, then you're not trying hard enough.
- 176 It's all right.
- 177 I'll go.
- 178 I don't know what it is about that guy, but he just gets on my nerves.
- 179 Well, you scared the bad man away.
- 180 Who's a good girl?
- 181 They're still asleep.
- 182 Apparently, when I put someone down for a nap, they sleep hard.
- 183 That's a weird brag, Howard.
- 184 (doorbell rings)
- 185 I'll get it.
- 186 Bernadette thinks I have poor parenting skills. (chuckles)
- 187 Maybe she's basing that on your poor husbanding skills.
- 188 Who can say?
- 189 I'm bad at a lot of things.
- 190 - Hello.
- 191 - Hi.
- 192 Hey. I didn't think you were coming.
- 193 Um, I changed my mind.
- 194 I thought it'd be fun to spend some time with your children.
- 195 Where are the little scamps?
- 196 - "Scamps"?
- 197 - I'm sorry.
- 198 Tykes. Rug rats.
- 199 What is the PC term these days?
- 200 What's going on?
- 201 We were in the bookstore, and I found this.
- 202 Experimenting with Babies:
- 203 Amazing Science ProjectsYou Can Perform on Your Kid.
- 204 You can't experiment on his kids.

- 205 Yeah, you're not their father.
- 206 You can't experiment on my kids.
- 207 (sighs) Fine. Can I at least play a game with them?
- 208 Perhaps...
- 209 How Developed is Your Peripheral Vision?
- 210 Mine's great.
- 211 I saw that.
- 212 You know, these experiments are pretty harmless.
- 213 There's one where you just put the baby in front of a mirror and you watch them watch themselves.
- 214 That sounds adorable.
- 215 Let me see.
- 216 How come when she talks about experiments on babies, you think it's adorable, but when I do it, everyone gets upset?
- 217 I think I can speak for all of us.
- 218 You're just creepy.
- 219 No offense.
- 220 Hey, this one we can do with both Michael and Halley.
- 221 It's called Grabby Hands.
- 222 Wasn't that your nickname in high school?
- 223 No, it was Mama's Boy.
- 224 But the joke was on them, because I love my mom.
- 225 KOOTHRAPPALI: Guys, listen, you secure them both in car seats and slowly spin a toy at the end of the string above them.
- 226 The younger baby tends to reach with either hand, and the older baby prefers the dominant hand.
- 227 That is kind of interesting.
- 228 And it's not really experimenting on the kids.
- 229 It's more like experimenting with the kids.
- 230 AMY: Well, I guess if you think about it, it's kind of like playing games with them.
- 231 WOLOWITZ: Okay, you know what, when they wake up, we can try one or two of these.
- 232 (gasps)
- 233 Yay!
- 234 (loudly): I said, "Yay!"
- 235 Thank you.
- 236 It's a brand-new day.
- 237 Wow, we got a pretty good crowd here.
- 238 I know. But not as big as that booth.
- 239 What's going on over there?
- 240 Yeah, that's Chantix.
- 241 Ray Liotta's signing autographs until: .
- 242 (phone ringing)
- 243 Hey, I thought we weren't supposed to have our phones in the booth.
- 244 That's a "you" rule, not a "me" rule.

- 245 Hey, can I help you?
- 246 Actually, I'm looking for the bathroom.
- 247 Ah, yes. It's right next to the laxative booth.
- 248 (laughs) Clever, right?
- 249 So we meet again.
- 250 Oh, yeah. Uh, Danny, right?
- 251 How's your launch going?
- 252 Good.
- 253 Is Dr. Rostenkowski around?
- 254 No, she stepped out for a call, although I wouldn't be surprised if she's in line to meet Ray Liotta.
- 255 Yeah. Something tells me she's not crazy about me.
- 256 Yeah. Something tells me that, too, and it was her.
- 257 Well, it doesn't matter, I was actually hoping to talk to you.
- 258 - Really?
- 259 - Yeah.
- 260 You've done a terrific job with Inflaminex.
- 261 We're always on the lookout for great salespeople.
- 262 I think we could make you happy.
- 263 Uh, thanks, but I'm pretty happy.
- 264 - I could be more happy.
- 265 - Tell it to your shrink, Karen.
- 266 Hey, Howie, everything okay?
- 267 Yeah, everything's great.
- 268 I was just wondering if we had any large barbecue tongs.
- 269 Uh, bottom left drawer.
- 270 Are you guys grilling?
- 271 Nope, just playing games with the kids.
- 272 Why do you need tongs?
- 273 Love you, too, bye.
- 274 I-I bet Michael grabs it before Halley.
- 275 (Halley and Neil cooing)
- 276 Not a chance.
- 277 Halley's a year older, you know she's gonna get it first.
- 278 I just think he wants it more. Come on.
- 279 Come on, you got this. You got this, Michael
- 280 Grab it. Grab it, Halley. I believe in you.
- 281 Oh! That was so close.
- 282 Just keep on trying.
- 283 Hey. Hey, y-you guys want to make this more interesting?
- 284 By establishing a double-blind protocol so we have a foundation to publish?  ${\bf v}$
- 285 Look, here's my card. Maybe we can get a drink this weekend.
- 286 Oh, I don't know.
- 287 I'm pretty busy.
- 288 I have to inventory all the giveaways.

- 289 Hey, beat it. Shoo.
- 290 So what did he want?
- 291 - Nothing.
- 292 - He offered her a job.
- 293 No one likes a tattletale, Karen.
- 294 So, what's up, traitor?
- 295 Dammit, Karen.
- 296 Okay, you want to engage the babies.
- 297 The subjects.
- 298 - The babies.
- 299 - Fine. The babies.
- 300 Baby-A and Baby-B.
- 301 Engage them for a minute and take note of their reactions.
- 302 There's something familiar about all this.
- 303 Okay, go.
- 304 Hello, baby.
- 305 Are you having a pleasant day?
- 306 Oh, my G- This is my entire childhood.
- 307 Leonard, Leonard, you're tainting my data.
- 308 Uh, it's like word for word.
- 309 How much time is left?
- 310 seconds.
- 311 Oh really?
- 312 He's not reacting at all.
- 313 Sheldon, he's a baby.
- 314 That's not how you talk to him, okay? J-Just watch.
- 315 Hey.
- 316 Halley.
- 317 (baby talk): Who's your favorite uncle?
- 318 HALLEY: (giggles) Unka Koo.
- 319 I got a dud, let's switch.
- 320 Keep trying. It's for science.
- 321 LEONARD: Is that all I was to her?
- 322 Just an experiment?
- 323 Michael. Michael, you're making me look bad.
- 324 I-Interact with me.
- 325 (gasps) He grabbed my finger.
- 326 Oh, he's smiling.
- 327 I'm doing it.
- 328 - That's time.
- 329 - Oh, really?
- 330 Can we do one more?
- 331 I think these guys need to get some food.
- 332 By pushing a lever at the end of an obstacle course that we design?
- 333 No, by opening the door to a hangar and letting the airplane fly in.
- 334 Although, Sheldon, maybe it could be an experiment.

- 335 Are you suggesting we color-code their food so we can examine their diapers later?
- 336 Sure.
- 337 These diapers are gonna be full of data.
- 338 I never thought I would see Sheldon enjoying himself around babies so much.
- 339 Yeah, how about that?
- 340 So he just happened to stumble upon a book about experimenting with them the same day we were hanging out with Howard's kids?
- 341 Yep, don't overthink it.
- 342 LEONARD: Oh, my God.
- 343 At sleepaway camp my cabin was called "Control Group."
- 344 I can't believe you took his business card.
- 345 I can't believe we're still talking about this.
- 346 He handed it to me. What was I supposed to do?
- 347 Hand it back to him and tell him to stick it where the sun don't shine.
- 348 You are not serious.
- 349 Serious as the hepatitis their cholesterol medication gave thousands of people.
- 350 Did it?
- 351 Maybe.
- 352 You're not really considering this, are you?
- 353 I don't know. It's kinda flattering.
- 354 Please, he's just using you to get to me.
- 355 Or he's trying to get to me because I'm really good at my job.
- 356 (scoffs) Don't be so naive.
- 357 They're our number one competitor.
- 358 They have a rival drug coming out with a name I wish we thought of–Forsootha.
- 359 It's got "soothe" right in it.
- 360 How did we miss that?
- 361 You know, our brand recognition is three times higher than theirs.
- 362 And I did that with a stupid product name and no assistant.
- 363 You only have this job because I gave it to you.
- 364 You know who else was begging you to head up their sales team?
- 365 Nobody.
- 366 Well, you know who's begging me now? Danny.
- 367 I can't believe this is how you thank me.
- 368 I thanked you by thanking you.
- 369 And I sent you that fancy box of pears.
- 370 What am I supposed to do with pears?
- 371 Have a pear party?
- 372 Ooh, a juicy pear.
- 373 Where are the kids?
- 374 Oh, Sheldon's helping Howard give them a bath.
- 375 Hmm. So you really think

- 376 you can trick Sheldon into liking babies?
- 377 I slept with him; I married him.
- 378 You want to be against me?
- 379 Oh, you were right, Amy.
- 380 There were so many valuable experiments to perform on them during bath time.
- 381 You don't say.
- 382 I do. I tested their object permanence with a rubber duck, and we took a run at Archimedes water displacement, but that went right over their heads.
- 383 Well, I'm glad you had a good day.
- 384 I did.
- 385 It's so funny, we did all these experiments on them and they didn't even notice.
- 386 I know, I was worried it would be obvious, but it wasn't.
- 387 I guess we should go and let Howard get them ready for bed.
- 388 Yeah. Do you think he'd let us come back and do some more?
- 389 Maybe we could take them to the park.
- 390 (gasps) Smart.
- 391 There'll be more babies.
- 392 It's a bigger sample size.
- 393 Where did Leonard go?
- 394 Just tell me the truth, Mother.
- 395 Was my whole childhood just one big experiment?
- 396 BEVERLY (on phone): Of course not, dear.
- 397 It was thousands of small experiments.
- 398 So that's all I was to you, a-a test subject?
- 399 No, you were my baby and I found you fascinating.
- 400 Really?
- 401 Yes, watching you develop, tracking your progress.
- 402 I know I'm not the warmest of parents, but it was time we spent together,
- and, honestly, those are some of my fondest memories.
- 403 When did you stop?
- 404 Oh, I can't tell you, the experiment isn't over.
- 405 Zangen's a fine company.
- 406 They got a couple of good drugs, but we control 407 Hell, commissions on just our fungal creams will put you in a new Mercedes.
- 408 Danny, look at me.
- 409 Does this face sell fungal creams?
- 410 No. This face is cholesterol drugs and above.
- 411 Playing hard to get, huh?
- 412 (laughs) No one's ever accused me of that before.
- 413 Look, why don't I just give you a number and see what you think?
- 414 Ooh, are-are you gonna write it on a napkin and slide it over to me?
- 415 No, I was just gonna say it.
- 416 - Aw.
- 417 - Do you want me to write it on a napkin and slide it over to you?

- 418 Yah.
- 419 You got it.
- 420 Danny, you rat b\*st\*rd.
- 421 What? I'm just making your friend an offer.
- 422 Yeah, he's writing it on a napkin like in the movies.
- 423 (scoffs) That's not an offer.
- 424 Do you know how amazing this girl is?
- 425 - Aw. You think I'm amazing?
- 426 - Stay out of this.
- 427 I'm serious...
- 428 Not only is she a helluva salesperson, she's the hardest worker I've ever seen.
- 429 I know, that's why I'm trying to steal her from you.
- 430 Well, then you're gonna have to do a lot better than this, because I promise you, I'm not gonna let her go without a fight.
- 431 You do not want that, she's a biter.
- 432 Just think about it.
- 433 You know, I don't have to.
- 434 Thanks, but I'm happy where I am.
- 435 Let's go.
- 436 Can I just see what he wrote on the napkin?
- 437 What napkin?
- 438 You know, spending time with Michael and Halley today really made me think about our future children.
- 439 Huh, what an interesting and completely unforeseen development.
- 440 What are you thinking?
- 441 Well, I just can't decide.
- 442 Either five sets of triplets or three sets of quintuplets.
- 443 You know what? It doesn't matter as long as they're healthy.
- 444 And divisible by three.
- 445 That's a lot of babies, Sheldon.
- 446 Oh, only for humans.
- 447 For frogs, it's just a drop in the bucket.
- 448 Well, I'm sorry I'm not a frog.
- 449 Oh, don't feel bad, Amy.
- 450 You're good enough for me.

## 4.18 Episode 18: The Laureate Accumulation

- 1 Previously on The Big Bang Theory...
- 2 We just published a few months ago.
- 3 How did you have time to design an experiment?
- 4 This whole thing is actually a gigantic accident.
- 5 You weren't even thinking about super-asymmetry?
- 6 Thinking about it?
- 7 (chuckles)

- 8 We don't even understand it.
- 9 (both laugh)
- 10 Uh, can you believe this?
- 11 Doctors Pemberton and Campbell have been doing a press tour trying to take credit for super-asymmetry.
- 12 So what?
- 13 I mean, no one's gonna give them credit for accidentally discovering something.
- 14 WOLOWITZ: Yeah, who remembers the guy who was trying to find India and discovered America instead?
- 15 What was his name again?
- 16 (chuckles)
- 17 Now stop trying to steal our Nobel Prize.
- 18 You come up with your own idea.
- 19 Yeah, that's not gonna happen.
- 20 ELLEN (over TV): Have a seat, thanks for being here.
- 21 I feel the same way about you.
- 22 This is nice.
- 23 All my friends hanging out, watching Ellen. It's like, what am I gonna do with my other two wishes?
- 24 It's not nice.
- 25 She's having on the scientists who are trying to steal our Nobel Prize.
- 26 Although I will enjoy watching her expose Pemberton and Campbell for the coattail-riding frauds that they are.
- 27 That is Ellen's brand, gotcha journalism.
- 28 Yeah, you should've seen her take down John Krasinski last week.
- 29 Got him to admit he loved his wife.
- 30 It was brutal.
- 31 (shushing)
- 32 All right, our next guests are a couple of physicists-don't turn the channel.
- 33 They've been doing some viral videos online about what it's like to be in the running for a Nobel Prize.
- 34 Please welcome Doctors Greg Pemberton and Kevin Campbell.
- 35 (cheering, applause)
- 36 Why does she even want to have scientists on?
- 37 Uh, silly question.
- 38 Who else will give her audience causal explanations of natural phenomena?
- 39 I love you, honey, but think.
- 40 So you guys have discovered something pretty amazing in the universe.
- 41 Obviously, I understand, uh, high-level physics because I'm a comedian, but...
- 42 (laughter)
- 43 ...can you explain it to the audience?
- 44 Well, I don't know, I'm not sure we're even smart enough to understand it.
- 45 (laughter)
- 46 Look, look, the audience is laughing at them.

- 47 It's starting.
- 48 I hate to say it, Sheldon, but I think the audience likes them.
- 49 Well, that will all change when Ellen asks them how super-asymmetry explains the cosmological excess of matter over anti-matter and they panic, like Leonard trying to do a pull-up.
- 50 Hey, what'd I do?
- 51 Not a pull-up.
- 52 People have been loving your videos, especially the-the songs that you've been posting.
- 53 - Oh, thanks.
- 54 - Thank you.
- 55 Uh, this may be pushing it, but I have to ask.
- 56 Would you mind singing one of those for us right now?
- 57 Oh, why not?
- 58 - All right.
- 59 Come on, Ellen, they're right there.
- 60 Go for the jugular.
- 61 Let's get physicist, physicist
- 62 I want to get physicist
- 63 Let's get into physicist
- 64 Let me hear your boson talk
- 65 Come on, Ellen.
- 66 Let me hear your boson talk...
- 67 Our whole universe was in a hot, dense state
- 68 Then nearly billion years ago expansion started...
- 69 Wait!
- 70 -
- 71 The Earth began to cool
- 72 The autotrophs began to drool, Neanderthals developed tools
- 73 We built the Wall
- 74 We built the pyramids
- 75 Math, Science, History, unraveling the mystery
- 76 That all started with a big bang
- 77 Bang!
- 78 Dr. Pemberton.
- 79 Dr. Campbell.
- 80 Doctors Pemberton and Campbell.
- 81 Morning, buddy.
- 82 I am not your buddy.
- 83 - What's wrong?
- 84 - I'll tell you what's wrong.
- 85 You went on TV and were charming.
- 86 Thanks, man.
- 87 That's what my mom said.
- 88 PEMBERTON: W-Why don't you come in and have some parfait?
- 89 Yeah, we ordered it from room service; it cost, like, bucks.

- 90 It's just yogurt in a glass.
- 91 I don't want your yogurt.
- 92 Then what do you want?
- 93 I want you to hold a press conference where you admit that you blindly stumbled into super-asymmetry and it was really our discovery.
- 94 Oh.
- 95 No, thanks.
- 96 You know, just because we proved something by accident doesn't mean we didn't prove it.
- 97 PEMBERTON: Yeah, I wasn't trying to prove that my wife was cheating on me when I came home early one Friday, but I'm still sleeping on his couch.
- 98 I told you, you can do better than her.
- 99 Thanks.
- 100 It just hurts.
- 101 And when you win that Nobel Prize, she's gonna realize that she was wrong, you are not a fraud.
- 102 She is not wrong.
- 103 Wow, I can't believe you're siding with Linda.
- 104 Shame on you.
- 105 Look at this.
- 106 They posted another video.
- 107 It's not even about science.
- 108 They're on a celebrity bus tour.
- 109 Those are fun.
- 110 I-I went on one and saw Tom Hanks talking to his gardener.
- 111 He's even nice when you plant the wrong color azaleas.
- 112 Those guys are good at self-promoting, so what?
- 113 No one ever won a Nobel for being nice.
- 114 KOOTHRAPPALI: Yeah, but if they did, do you know who would win one?
- 115 Are you gonna say Tom Hanks?
- 116 He picked up a shovel and helped the guy replant.
- 117 SIEBERT: Dr. Cooper, there you are.
- 118 I just wanted to tell you not to worry about this Pemberton and Campbell publicity blitz.
- 119 Are you worried?
- 120 Not at all.
- 121 Not even a little bit.
- 122 (laughs)
- 123 Look, i-it doesn't matter if they have popular support, we're gonna get the scientific community behind us.
- 124 He's right, the Nobel Prize is about the work, and as your fellow scientists, we support you and Amy.
- 125 That's great, Scooby Gang.
- 126 Now, the university is gonna host a reception for you and Dr. Fowler where we invite as many academic luminaries as we can, uh, give them a chance

- to meet you, hear about your work.
- 127 Uh, that's a great idea.
- 128 Uh, veah.
- 129 Who needs to be likable when you have Nobel Laureates campaigning for you?
- 130 Oh, yeah- wait a minute.
- 131 Do you not think we're likable?
- 132 That's what's great about you, you never stop asking the tough questions.
- 133 (door closes)
- 134 Hey.
- 135 Kids asleep?
- 136 Nope.
- 137 I've been trying to get them down for hours.
- 138 Apparently, Halley's afraid of the dark now and I can't turn on the night-
- light 'cause it makes Michael cry.
- 139 Why doesn't he like the night-light?
- 140 Jot that down, we can ask him as soon as he learns to speak.
- 141 We can also find out what's so damn funny about birds.
- 142 (Halley fusses)
- 143 I'll go talk to her.
- 144 I don't know why she's suddenly so afraid of everything.
- 145 Honey, remember, she's my child, too.
- 146 WOLOWITZ (over monitor): Hey, sweetie, I heard you were afraid of the dark.
- 147 I know someone else who was afraid of the dark once.
- 148 Your daddy, when he was in space.
- 149 (Wolowitz chuckles)
- 150 And just like you, I was wearing a full diaper.
- 151 Hey, good news.
- 152 They're inviting several Nobel Laureates to our reception.
- 153 Oh, great, like who?
- 154 Uh...
- 155 Makoto Kobayashi.
- 156 Da- ooh.
- 157 What?
- 158 Well, I may have been less than kind to him about his Nobel Prize win.
- 159 Why?
- 160 I was jealous, angry and new to Twitter.
- 161 It was a dangerous combination.
- 162 Okay, so scratch Kobayashi.
- 163 Uh, George Smoot's on here.
- 164 (hisses, groans)
- 165 We have a history.
- 166 Saul Perlmutter?
- 167 (groans): Oh!
- 168 What about Kip Thorne?

- 169 (stammers)
- 170 That was a misunderstanding.
- 171 I didn't know he was right behind me.
- 172 So you've alienated everyone we need to help us?
- 173 Well, Amy, if I had known that someday we'd need them, I would never have insulted them.
- 174 - Well, that doesn't make it better.
- 175 - Oh.
- 176 Well, it's also not true.
- 177 (door opens, closes)
- 178 - Hey.
- 179 - Hey.
- 180 Oh, that's cute.
- 181 Did Halley draw that at preschool?
- 182 I drew it.
- 183 Well, good night.
- 184 It's supposed to be an astronaut.
- 185 And I'm supposed to be living on my own at this age, but here we are.
- 186 Halley was scared and Howard told her the sweetest story about when he was in space and I thought I could turn it into a book for her and Michael.
- 187 Oh, well, I mean, I am an artist.
- 188 Uh, i-if you want, I could do the drawings.
- 189 Really?
- 190 That'd be amazing.
- 191 Yeah, it'd be fun.
- 192 And a, a nice change of pace from what I usually draw.
- 193 What do you usually draw?
- 194 Well, good night.
- 195 (device chimes)
- 196 - Someone texting you?
- 197 - Uh, no, I just met my exercise goal for the day.
- 198 By doing the dishes?
- 199 Hey, you have your goals, I have mine.
- 200 - Hello.
- 201 - What are you two doing?
- 202 Mm, just finishing a workout.
- 203 What's up?
- 204 Do you have any cookie dough?
- 205 Uh, I think so.
- 206 Let me see.
- 207 Yeah, we've got, uh, chocolate chip and oatmeal raisin.
- 208 Oatmeal raisin?
- 209 I know at least two things wrong with that cookie.
- 210 It's for the Nobel Laureates.
- 211 We need them on our side, but unfortunately, Sheldon...
- 212 No.

- 213 "Unfortunately, Sheldon..." that's all you got to say.
- 214 Well, that's—so you need these people's support and you're sending them baked goods?
- 215 Yeah, they're pretty smart.
- 216 Don't you think they're gonna realize it's just a bribe?
- 217 No, you'd think, but sometimes brilliant people can be painfully oblivious to social cues.
- 218 Thank you for pointing that out, Sheldon.
- 219 Anytime.
- 220 "Sheldon Cooper"?
- 221 Hmm.
- 222 "Sheldon Cooper"?
- 223 (scoffs)
- 224 Pass.
- 225 "Sheldon Cooper." Aw.
- 226 Ugh, oatmeal raisin?
- 227 Ugh.
- 228 (phone chimes)
- 229 Oh, it's from Saul Perlmutter.
- 230 (gasps)
- 231 He sent me a picture.
- 232 Ooh, let me see.
- 233 Oh, he arranged the cookies to spell out "thank you." Sheldon, that word isn't "thank."
- 234 (knock on door)
- 235 Hi.
- 236 I got you a surprise.
- 237 What- Oh.
- 238 (chuckles)
- 239 What's the occasion?
- 240 I heard you tell Halley that story the other night, and I thought it was so sweet that Stuart and I turned it into a book.
- 241 The Frightened Little Astronaut? That looks just like you.
- 242 Look how tiny and scared you look.
- 243 And the best part is, Stuart showed it to a publisher friend of his, and they're interested in it.
- 244 - That is so cool.
- 245 - Absolutely not.
- 246 Why?
- 247 Because I don't want the whole world to know I was the frightened little astronaut!
- 248 Maybe you should've called it The Bitchy Little Astronaut. You want to tell me what's going on?
- 249 Is my distress that obvious?
- 250 Sheldon, please don't take this the wrong way, but when you're quiet even for a second, something's wrong.

- 251 Well, it's true.
- 252 The fact is, I feel really bad for Amy.
- 253 Well, we all do.
- 254 But just for fun, why do you? Well, she didn't do anything wrong, but she's paying for my mistakes.
- 255 Wow.
- 256 What?
- 257 No- I'm just honestly impressed.
- 258 When did you start caring about other people's feelings?
- 259 Well, I laughed when Amy got a shock from the broken Christmas tree lights, so it was after that.
- 260 So none of them are coming to the reception?
- 261 I don't think so.
- 262 Okay, what did he say that was so insulting?
- 263 (sighs)
- 264 Well, he may have suggested there was an inelegance to the quadrupole normalization of Smoot's data.
- 265 Damn.
- 266 See, sometimes I wish I could invent a time machine, so I could go back and prevent myself from acting so rashly.
- 267 Or moving forward, you could think before you speak.
- 268 I suppose so.
- 269 But the time machine thing is probably more likely.
- 270 My problem is that I don't always know when I've gone too far.
- 271 Well, uh, if you like, I could try to help you out.
- 272 You know, and maybe let you know if you're crossing a line.
- 273 Oh, you mean, like, with a code word?
- 274 Sure.
- 275 How's "shut up"?
- 276 That's perfect.
- 277 People say it to me all the time, no one will suspect.
- 278 - Hey, got a minute?
- 279 - Sure.
- 280 What's up?
- 281 Uh, Bernadette said you weren't crazy about the book.
- 282 No.
- 283 (chuckles)
- 284 It's great.
- 285 I just don't want anyone to ever see it or read it or know it exists.
- 286 But this could be really good for me, you know?
- 287 Finally get my artwork published.
- 288 And-and come on, it's a, it's a cute story.
- 289 Oh, easy for you to say.
- 290 No one's gonna think you're a coward.
- 291 Are you kidding?
- 292 The other day in the comic book store, a balloon popped and I threw up.

- 293 Can't you just take my name off it?
- 294 No, uh, the only reason the publisher's interested is 'cause a real astronaut wrote it.
- 295 Well, look, what if we made a few changes?
- 296 Uh, sure, yes.
- 297 - What-what do you have in mind?
- 298 - Well, nothing major.
- 299 But see here on the cover, where it says "frightened little," what if, I don't know, it didn't say that?
- 300 So, it would just be The Astronaut? Yeah, you're right.
- 301 That doesn't quite pop.
- 302 What about...
- 303 The Brave Astronaut? See, that's got some zip to it!
- 304 Okay.
- 305 And here on this page, where I'm crying.
- 306 What if, instead, I'm... punching a meteor into the sun with my bare fists?
- 307 So you have superpowers?
- 308 I like the way you're thinking.
- 309 Professor Thorne?
- 310 Dr. Hofstadter.
- 311 Uh, you know my wife, Penny.
- 312 - Sure.
- 313 Hi.
- 314 - PENNY: Hi.
- 315 (laughs)
- 316 Uh, we wanted to talk to you about Dr. Cooper.
- 317 Now, before you say no...
- 318 No.
- 319 Well, then, after you say no.
- 320 No.
- 321 Okay, look, Sheldon's a pain in the ass.
- 322 But Dr. Fowler's really nice.
- 323 So if you average them out—math...
- 324 ...you got someone who's okay.
- 325 (stammers)
- 326 But more than the person, the Nobel is about the work.
- 327 You should understand that more than anyone.
- 328 Yes, because of your work on gravitational waves.
- 329 You know my work?
- 330 I do.
- 331 But I'm-I'm really hogging this conversation.
- 332 Leonard?
- 333 (clears throat)
- 334 Just give them a chance.
- 335 Uh, science has a history of difficult people.
- 336 Look at, uh, Newton, who was a jerk to Leibniz, and Leibniz, who was a

jerk to everyone.

- 337 Yeah, you know, and I don't need to tell you that gravitational waves are disturbances in the curvature of space-time.
- 338 Or that the-Hey, you worked on the movie Interstellar?
- 339 So what do you think?
- 340 I think if you were in space without a shirt on, you'd die.
- 341 Oh.
- 342 No, I am wearing a shirt.
- 343 It's just skintight, so you can see my pecs.
- 344 When did you get pecs?
- 345 Yesterday, when I made Stuart add them.
- 346 Howie, what I liked about the other story was that it was real.
- 347 I mean, nothing in this actually happened to you.
- 348 (chuckles): So, it's a children's book.
- 349 I mean, cats don't wear hats.
- 350 And if someone gives you green eggs, it ends with you on the toilet trying to make a deal with God.
- 351 But the real story was so sweet.
- 352 The little astronaut was afraid, but he still went to space, and that's what made him brave.
- 353 (scoffs)
- 354 But in space, the other astronauts...
- 355 made fun of him, and that's a thing he doesn't want to relive.
- 356 I get that.
- 357 I guess it would just take a really brave man to put an embarrassing story like that out into the world, just so it might help some frightened children not feel so alone.
- 358 Wow.
- 359 That is quite the guilt trip.
- 360 Are you sure you're not Jewish?
- 361 I'm just a wife that is so proud of her husband, and doesn't think that he has anything
- 362 - to be embarrassed about.
- 363 - Oh.
- 364 You're sounding less and less Jewish.
- 365 Hey, we just heard that you're the ones who convinced the Nobel Laureates to come.
- 366 - Thank you.
- 367 - PENNY: You are welcome.
- 368 You guys deserve this.
- 369 Yeah, now get out of here, go talk to some smart people.
- 370 - Wait a minute.
- 371 - Yeah, sorry.
- 372 Sometimes I forget you're smart because you're so sexy.
- 373 - I can see that.
- 374 - Yeah.

- 375 Dr. Cooper.
- 376 Dr. Fowler.
- 377 I was just telling Professor Arnold how you came up with super-asymmetry at your wedding.
- 378 It's a wonderful story.
- 379 Ha, it really is.
- 380 I wouldn't say it was the highlight of the wedding, because I've been told not to for reasons I don't fully understand.
- 381 Uh, but what he does understand is how the universe works, and that's what's important.
- 382 Not what comes out of his mouth.
- 383 (laughs)
- 384 Uh-oh.
- 385 I haven't been to a lot of parties like this, but what does a physics rumble look like?
- 386 - Kind of like angry chickens.
- 387 - Hmm.
- 388 Or-or-or like, uh, when-when puppets fight.
- 389 Dr. Cooper, Dr. Fowler, good to see you.
- 390 What are you doing here?
- 391 Professor Smoot invited us.
- 392 - We're Facebook friends.
- 393 - Smooty!
- 394 Well, this is our reception, so go away.
- 395 SHELDON: Actually, Amy, I think we should let them stay.
- 396 Please, enjoy yourselves.
- 397 Try some pigs in blankets.
- 398 And yes, that is the plural.
- 399 - Great.
- 400 - Thanks.
- 401 What are you doing?
- 402 If they stay, everyone will see that their grasp on super-asymmetry is tenuous at best.
- 403 Oh.
- 404 That's clever.
- 405 Yeah, I don't just know the plurals of things, Amy.
- 406 Is this gonna be a problem?
- 407 Mm?
- 408 No, no, no.
- 409 We have a plan.
- 410 Uh, Dr. Campbell and Pemberton, settle a bet for Dr. Fowler and me?
- 411 We were just discussing, under what conditions the radiative corrections to super-asymmetry could cause time variation of alpha E.M.?
- 412 AMY: I say active galactic nuclei at cosmological distances show a part per million deviation.
- 413 Dr. Cooper says this has been disproven recently with quasar observa-

#### tions.

- 414 What do you think?
- 415 I agree with you.
- 416 Good answer.
- 417 Hey, uh, if we haven't said it before, we just want to say... thank you.
- 418 Yeah.
- 419 We couldn't have proven super-asymmetry without you.
- 420 Wait-wait.
- 421 You all heard them say it.
- 422 They didn't do anything.
- 423 - Sheldon.
- 424 Shut up.
- 425 - Yeah- Well, that's rude.
- 426 No.
- 427 Shut up.
- 428 Oh, the code word, thank you.
- 429 You know, it's strange.
- 430 A few months ago, nobody paid any attention to us, and now all of a sudden, we're getting all these accolades.
- 431 Yeah, have-have any of you ever felt like maybe you didn't deserve it?
- 432 Leonard, there's something I need to say.
- 433 - Shut up.
- 434 - Okay.
- 435 It's crazy.
- 436 We conclusively proved super-asymmetry, and yet somehow we, we still feel like imposters.
- 437 There should be a term for that.
- 438 Oh, for crying out loud, there is a term for that!
- 439 It's called "imposter syndrome" and you don't have it!
- 440 Because you can't have it if you are imposters, and you are!
- 441 We're the ones who discovered super-asymmetry!
- 442 So if anyone's gonna feel like they have imposter syndrome, it's us, because we're not imposters!
- 443 They are!
- 444 You're imposters and you're frauds!
- 445 - Is that what I would've sounded like?
- 446 - Yeah.
- 447 Yikes!
- 448 "Once upon a time, there was a little astronaut who was sitting in a rocket waiting to go to space."
- 449 MAN (over radio): Three... two... one...
- 450 WOLOWITZ: And while all the other astronauts laughed and joked, he stayed quiet, because he had a secret. He was scared. He had another secret, too. He was only pretending to be scared to trick the alien king. Ha-ha!
- 451 BERNADETTE: Howie.
- 452 Fine.

- 453 There was no alien.
- 454 (chuckles)
- 455 There was a bossy wife, though.
- 456 We'll get to her later.

## 4.19 Episode 19: The Inspiration Deprivation

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- 7 You're imposters and you're frauds!
- 8 Is that what I would've sounded like?
- 9 - Yeah.
- 10 - Yikes.
- 11 Sheldon, look at this.
- 12 (stammers) Wait a minute.
- 13 How do I know this isn't one of those joke phones that squirts water in my face?
- 14 Because that's not even a thing.
- 15 Look.
- 16 You got called into human resources?
- 17 I'm sure it's because I insulted Pemberton and Campbell in a room full of Nobel Laureates.
- 18 You did do that.
- 19 It was awkward.
- 20 People didn't know where to look.
- 21 This is a twist.
- 22 Usually you're the one getting called into H.R.
- 23 KOOTHRAPPALI: Yeah, now it's Amy.
- 24 Who knew you were married to such a bad girl.
- 25 I suppose the signs were always there.
- 26 I mean, she did recently go to that rave at the mall.
- 27 It was a Spencer's Gifts.
- 28 There was music and a strobe light.
- 29 If that isn't a rave, then I don't know what one is.
- 30 You don't know what one is.
- 31 Guys, come on, I think I'm in trouble.
- 32 It's no big deal.
- 33 I used to get called into H.R. all the time.

- 34 Ms. Davis is great.
- 35 Pro tip: if you find strong women sexy, do not say it out loud.
- 36 (phone chimes) Oh!
- 37 She wants to see me, too.
- 38 All right, let's get our story straight: This is all your fault.
- 39 Relax.
- 40 You're probably just gonna get a slap on the wrist.
- 41 Maybe, but do not ask for that, on the wrist or anywhere else.
- 42 Our whole universe was in a hot, dense state
- 43 Then nearly billion years ago expansion started...
- 44 Wait!
- 45 The Earth began to cool
- 46 The autotrophs began to drool, Neanderthals developed tools
- 47 We built the Wall We built the pyramids
- 48 Math, Science, History, unraveling the mystery
- 49 That all started with a big bang
- 50 Bang!
- 51 Thank you both for coming.
- 52 President Siebert asked that I be a part of this conversation to help us calmly discuss what went wrong and how we can better move forward.
- 53 We are not here to point fingers, so, Dr. Cooper, please stop that.
- 54 President Siebert, would you like to start?
- 55 (clears throat) This is all my fault.
- 56 I assumed you knew the Nobel Prize was good and we wanted to win it, so that's on me.
- 57 - Oh, so...
- 58 - No.
- 59 I think what President Siebert is trying to say is that this is a setback and we should adopt a different strategy.
- 60 Like maybe you two keep your traps shut.
- 61 "Traps." That's a fun old word.
- 62 Where's that been?
- 63 I-I'm sorry.
- 64 I-I just—I-I snapped.
- 65 Oh, you're sorry!
- 66 It's all better then!
- 67 Listen up, you have a shot to win a Nobel Prize, and you're blowing it.
- 68 I think what President Siebert is trying to say is that you have a shot to win a Nobel Prize and you're blowing it.
- 69 Uh, that's exactly what he said.
- 70 Yes, but I said it in my calming H.R.
- 71 voice.
- 72 The science world is a small community.
- 73 People talk.
- 74 I'm sure by now everyone knows about your tantrum.
- 75 All right, well, what can we do?

- 76 - Nothing.
- 77 Let me make this absolutely clear for you.
- 78 You two are done talking.
- 79 We're canceling your speaking engagements and your interviews.
- 80 You're gonna lie low and let us do damage control.
- 81 Well, if that's what you want, that's what we'll do.
- 82 You two winning the Nobel Prize is very important to us, and not just to the university.
- 83 Dr. Fowler, you would be only the fourth woman to win a Nobel Prize in physics.
- 84 I don't need to tell you just how inspirational that would be to a generation of young women.
- 85 Uh, yes, of-of course, I know.
- 86 So, the next words out of your mouth should be on a stage in Stockholm when you're saying...
- 87 (speaks Swedish)
- 88 ...which is Swedish for, "Thank you for this honor."
- 89 (speaks Swedish)
- 90 ...which is Swedish for, "I knew that."
- 91 Dr. Cooper...
- 92 - You want me to shut my trap?
- 93 - I do.
- 94 Hey, check it out.
- 95 That looks like the moped you used to have.
- 96 It wasn't a moped.
- 97 It was a scooter.
- 98 How's that better?
- 99 (scoffs) You do not want to walk into a scooter bar and ask that question.
- 100 Well, does take me back.
- 101 Yeah, the two of us, cruising around town looking for women.
- 102 Looking and looking and looking.
- 103 Remember that time one looked back and said hi?
- 104 Oh, yeah.
- 105 We drove away so fast.
- 106 Hey, I forget, why did you sell the scooter?
- 107 I finally got my woman.
- 108 (chuckles)
- 109 Then my woman made me sell it.
- 110 So apparently, if we win, I'll be the fourth woman ever to win a Nobel in physics.
- 111 Wow, that's a big deal.
- 112 Yeah, tell me about it.
- 113 This morning, I blew through my antiperspirant in, like, an hour.
- 114 Plus, Sheldon's freaking out 'cause we got in trouble.
- 115 Well, I've got him distracted for a while.
- 116 Doesn't he know how to solve those?

- 117 Normally, yes, but I switched the stickers around, so...
- 118 I don't even think it's possible to solve...
- 119 Solved it.
- 120 What?
- 121 No, you didn't.
- 122 Not the cube, but the puzzle of why I couldn't solve the cube.
- 123 Solution: you switched stickers two, nine, , and .
- 124 Really?
- 125 This thing has numbers?
- 126 Anything has a number if you assign it a number, friend number four.
- 127 Top five, not bad.
- 128 This is so frustrating.
- 129 I can't believe the university expects us to just sit back and do nothing.
- 130 Sweetie, you just need to relax.
- 131 You know what I like to do?
- 132 Numb your brain with alcohol and watch a reality show where wealthy people pick fake arguments with each other?
- 133 Hey, don't knock it until you've wasted a couple hundred hours of your life.
- 134 I'm sorry, but this is, it's hard for me.
- 135 Usually I self-soothe by doing science, but now science reminds me of the Nobel Prize and the idea that we may not win one, and that makes me angry, which makes me want to self-soothe by doing science, and on and on and on.
- 136 So that's been my today.
- 137 Hey, how about a massage?
- 138 No, the only person who touches me is my wife.
- 139 And even I have to let him smell my hand first.
- 140 Okay, well, what about Reiki?
- 141 It's like massage but without touching.
- 142 Then what is it?
- 143 Well, I place my hands near your body and allow the universal energy field to manifest its healing powers.
- 144 Okay, I know it sounds crazy, but it really works; ask Leonard.
- 145 - (stammers) It really does.
- 146 - Yeah.
- 147 (mouthing) : No.
- 148 Oh, uh, how about a sensory deprivation tank?
- 149 Oh, that's interesting.
- 150 It's supposed to be very calming.
- 151 Floating in a warm pool of liquid in a dark, soundless space.
- 152 Oh, I don't know how I feel about being deprived of all my senses.
- 153 What are you talking about?
- 154 All you ever do is complain about how things smell, feel and sound.
- 155 Oh, I'm right here.
- 156 Why are you shouting?
- 157 What do you say?

- 158 We could both use a break.
- 159 Come on, I'll do it with you.
- 160 Okay, but not in the same tank.
- 161 I already shared a uterus with my twin sister.
- 162 I don't need to go through that again.
- 163 - Are your eyes closed?
- 164 - Yes.
- 165 What is it?
- 166 Show me.
- 167 Okay, open them.
- 168 You bought me a scooter?!
- 169 No, I bought me a scooter!
- 170 Then why did you make me close my eyes?
- 171 I wanted to see the expression on your face when you saw how happy I was.
- 172 Wait, one second.
- 173 Won't Bernadette be mad when she finds out?
- 174 She's not gonna.
- 175 I'm keeping it here at the university.
- 176 Ah.
- 177 My dad kept a secret at work, too, but it was his receptionist.
- 178 Hey, would you mind if I ride it sometimes?
- 179 Yeah, whenever you want.
- 180 (engine starts)
- 181 (exhales) Check it out.
- 182 (engine revving)
- 183 (chuckles) That there, son, is horses of "eye-talian" thunder.
- 184 (engine revving)
- 185 Have either of you done sensory deprivation before?
- 186 - No.
- 187 - Never.
- 188 Okay, just a heads up.
- 189 People have different experiences in the tanks.
- 190 Uh, some people experience perfect calm.
- 191 Some people sleep.
- 192 Some people even reported having visions.
- 193 But if at any time you feel uncomfortable, just press the panic button and say, "Bebe."
- 194 (laughs) That's a stupid word.
- 195 That's my name.
- 196 What do we push if we feel uncomfortable?
- 197 All right, are you ready?
- 198 I'm not saying this is why we came, but can I close the lid on him?
- 199 No.
- 200 No.
- 201 Shall we?

- 202 (stammers) One second.
- 203 - Is the pH between . and . ?
- 204 - Yes.
- 205 Is the water drained and replaced after each use?
- 206 Yes.
- 207 -Is the saline level 208 -Yes.
- 209 Does your filtration system use ultraviolet light
- 210 - to kill bacteria?
- 211 - Yes.
- 212 I don't need to get in.
- 213 I'm relaxed already.
- 214 Bebe.
- 215 What's wrong?
- 216 Nothing.
- 217 I just wanted to make sure it worked.
- 218 Also, I changed my mind.
- 219 It's fun to say your name.
- 220 Bebe.
- 221 Bebe.
- 222 Bebe.
- 223 Bebe.
- 224 Bebe.
- 225 Bebe.
- 226 BERNADETTE: Hey, what you got there?
- 227 Oh.
- 228 (stammers) Just tossing out this old helmet I don't need.
- 229 I thought you were at the park.
- 230 We were.
- 231 The kids got sleepy.
- 232 Great story.
- 233 I need to make a phone call.
- 234 Howard, why do you look all guilty?
- 235 Like when I catch you deleting your browser history?
- 236 (horn honking)
- 237 Never mind.
- 238 SHELDON: Hmm, this is nice.
- 239 It's sort of like floating in space.
- 240 But better because my eyeballs haven't frozen.
- 241 Ooh, colors.
- 242 (relaxing classical music playing)
- 243 (gasps)
- 244 It's infinite iterations
- 245 of the "Nautilus" section of the Mandelbrot set.
- 246 (sighs)
- 247 That's some good stuff.
- 248 (music stops)

- 249 AMY: Wow, this is really dark.
- 250 There's no difference between my eyes being open or closed.
- 251 Open, closed.
- 252 Open, clo-nope, same thing.
- 253 Ooh, pretty.
- 254 You winning a Nobel Prize would be an inspiration to all women.
- 255 All women, Amy, and you're blowing it.
- 256 I was gonna be a scientist, but since you lost, I'm just gonna give makeup tutorials on YouTube.
- 257 (relaxing classical music playing)

## 4.20 Episode 20: The Decision Reverberation

- 1 Oh, the... there's a : at the ArcLight.
- 2 Well, that doesn't give us much time to eat.
- 3 We can eat afterwards.
- 4 I'm not gonna eat at : at night.
- 5 Who am I, Hemingway?
- 6 Why do you think Hemingway ate at:?
- 7 He spent a lot of time in Spain.
- 8 They eat dinner late.
- 9 He also spent a lot of time in Florida.
- 10 Last time I was there, people were eating dinner at, like, : .
- 11 KOOTHRAPPALI: You guys know that Hemingway had cats with six toes?
- 12 Six toes per foot or six toes total?
- 13 WOLOWITZ: Okay.
- 14 It's official.
- 15 We're never going to see the Avengers. Guys, just come on.
- 16 Make a decision.
- 17 I-I'm good with eating after.
- 18 - Mm, I'm kind of hungry now.
- 19 - Yeah, me, too.
- 20 - Then we'll eat before.
- 21 KOOTHRAPPALI: Okay.
- 22 So, then, we can see the -D at: or the -D at: .
- 23 -D.
- 24 If I'm gonna see Thor, I want to feel like I could lick those abs.
- 25 Actually, -D kind of makes me queasy.
- 26 No, but we have to see it in -D.
- 27 We saw part one in -D, and the -D part two is not the part two of the -D part one.
- 28 He's got you there, Leonard.
- 29 Or he doesn't.
- 30 I don't really care anymore.
- 31 (laughs)
- 32 LEONARD: Okay, then, we'll go see it in -D.

- 33 PENNY: No.
- 34 Sweetie, you shouldn't do things that make you feel bad.
- 35 Well, I'm doing this.
- 36 And of course he is.
- 37 He is a textbook satisficer.
- 38 That's not even a word.
- 39 Uh, yes, it is.
- 40 According to Nobel Prize-winning economist Herbert Simon, satisficing is a decision-making strategy whereby a person accepts whatever available option is satisfactory rather than seeking out a course of action that would make him happiest, as I just did when I explained what satisficing was.
- 41 KOOTHRAPPALI: He's right.
- 42 No one wanted to hear at.
- 43 He knew it, yet he plowed ahead.
- 44 I'm just trying to find a plan that makes everyone happy.
- 45 Except you.
- 46 Yeah, Leonard.
- 47 What would make you happy?
- 48 I could tell you about satisficing again.
- 49 You know, what would make me happy is if we just stop talking about this and see whatever movie you guys want to see whenever you want to see it.
- 50 Okay.
- 51 But next time, we get to pick.
- 52 Our whole universe was in a hot, dense state
- 53 Then nearly billion years ago expansion started... Wait!
- 54 The Earth began to cool
- 55 The autotrophs began to drool, Neanderthals developed tools
- 56 We built the Wall We built the pyramids
- 57 Math, Science, History, unraveling the mystery
- 58 That all started with a big bang
- 59 Bang!
- 60 How's your headache?
- 61 It's better.
- 62 The throwing up really helped.
- 63 Mm.
- 64 I'm so sorry you missed the end of the movie.
- 65 Oh, it's okay.
- 66 Everyone talked about it so much on the ride home, I feel like I saw it.
- 67 Well, to be fair, you talked about the bathroom so much, we felt like we saw that, too.
- 68 I think I would've been okay if we weren't sitting so close.
- 69 Well, then, why did we sit so close?
- 70 Sheldon said, "Are these seats good for everyone?" What was I supposed to do, say no, like a maniac?
- 71 - (scoffs)
- 72 Sweetie, you have got to stand up for yourself.

- 73 You know, maybe Sheldon's right.
- 74 Maybe you are that word he said.
- 75 Satisficer?
- 76 Yeah, that!
- 77 That's the one.
- 78 Boy, sounds way more made-up when you say it.
- 79 I mean, come on, when was the last time you did something totally selfish without worrying about what anyone else wanted?
- 80 Uh...
- 81 according to my mother, I took my sweet time being born.
- 82 How is that selfish?
- 83 Apparently, she had dinner reservations.
- 84 And this is the telescope room where I spend a lot of my evenings.
- 85 Where's the telescope?
- 86 Hawaii.
- 87 That's cool.
- 88 Yeah, so, you know...
- 89 aloha.
- 90 What's that smell?
- 91 Uh, everyone has their own theory.
- 92 Dr.
- 93 Tibourgh thinks it's mold.
- 94 I think it's Dr.
- 95 Tibourgh.
- 96 So, what am I looking at?
- 97 Ah, this is live information from the Keck telescope.
- 98 It's pretty interesting.
- 99 So, I recently observed some optical flashes.
- 100 It could be light bouncing off a natural object, but those tend to be less reflective, so could be evidence of something alien-made.
- 101 Oh, this suddenly got exciting.
- 102 Oh.
- 103 When you say "exciting," do you mean "go back to my place" exciting or "hold our breath and do it here"?
- 104 Mahalo.
- 105 Do I want to ask?
- 106 Oh, w... when I go upstairs, Penny's gonna make me choose what we're gonna do tonight without taking her feelings into consideration, and I-I don't know if I'm up for it.
- 107 Poor baby.
- 108 When I go upstairs, Sheldon's gonna give me a -minute lecture about what Hulk would be like if he were made of metal.
- 109 Part of his ongoing series, "What If Hulk Were Made of Other Things?" I-I've always been a people pleaser.
- 110 Is that so bad?
- 111 It's gotten me this far.

- 112 What, almost up four flights of stairs?
- 113 Okay, if I go in there and pick something I want to do that she also wants to do, she's gonna think I'm just picking it to make her happy.
- 114 So I feel like I have to pick something I know she doesn't want to do or she's gonna be disappointed.
- 115 Right?
- 116 What do you think?
- 117 Think I've got ice cream in this bag that's starting to melt.
- 118 I'm sorry.
- 119 It's exhausting being in my head.
- 120 Look, when you wanted Penny, you didn't care what anybody else thought or wanted, including Penny.
- 121 That's true.
- 122 Yeah, yeah, there was something I wanted, I went after it and I got it.
- 123 Now you're hiding from it on the stairs, so it all worked out.
- 124 (door opens)
- 125 LEONARD: Hey.
- 126 I thought about what I want to do to night, and I didn't take your feelings into consideration at all.
- 127 Great.
- 128 I want to have s\*x.
- 129 Wow, s\*x with your wife.
- 130 You're really swinging for the fences there, Hofstadter.
- 131 Yeah, we don't have to.
- 132 No!
- 133 I like it.
- 134 Let's go.
- 135 Oh, o-okay.
- 136 And then after that, we're gonna watch Star Trek: Discovery. All right.
- 137 Well, just a warning, I might be on my phone for most of it.
- 138 That's fine.
- 139 Wait, you mean just the Star Trek... Actually, I don't care.
- 140 And, with apologies to Lady Gaga, that's how a star is born.
- 141 Told you he was gonna mention Lady Gaga.
- 142 At least he didn't talk about how much he cried during that movie.
- 143 KOOTHRAPPALI: Although, if you haven't seen that movie, you should.
- 144 I cried so much.
- 145 Well, that's the lecture for today.
- 146 Uh, let's open it up for questions.
- 147 Uh...
- 148 Oh, you!
- 149 Sir, yes.
- 150 You have a question?
- 151 Yeah.
- 152 Actually, I have a two-part question.
- 153 Are you sure?

- 154 I get the sense it's only one part.
- 155 No, no, it's two.
- 156 Part one: the new star you were talking about—how long did it take that light to reach Earth?
- 157 And part two: is it true you plant your friends in the audience to ask questions?
- 158 , years.
- 159 And no, I don't plant my friends, because apparently, I don't have any.
- 160 Uh, any other questions?
- 161 - Uh, yes.
- 162 You, miss.
- 163 WOMAN: Hi.
- 164 I read your paper on specular reflections.
- 165 It was great.
- 166 - Oh, thank you so much.
- 167 In your conclusion, you said you couldn't rule out that light flashes could be evidence of alien civilization.
- 168 So does that mean you think it's aliens?
- 169 I was just illustrating that there are many unknowns, and as scientists, we can't preemptively rule out possibilities.
- 170 So you think it's aliens.
- 171 - A-Actually, no, that's...
- 172 WOLOWITZ: I have a question about the aliens you found.
- 173 That's not what I said, Howard.
- 174 Hold on a second.
- 175 Do you two know each other?
- 176 MAN: Yeah.
- 177 My sister was—a-and this is her term—abducted.
- 178 Do you think those could be the same aliens...
- 179 Okay, any other questions?
- 180 Mm.
- 181 Not about aliens?
- 182 What?
- 183 Do you still want me to ask the one you gave me?
- 184 'Cause it kind of feels like we're past that.
- 185 Ooh, Leonard, I don't mean to alarm you, but the Chinese food smells funny
- 186 That's because it's barbecue.
- 187 But it's Chinese food night.
- 188 Um, I picked it.
- 189 You're the one who told me to stop being such a satisficer all the time.
- 190 What?
- 191 I did not.
- 192 I just pointed out that you were one.
- 193 It's what I like best about you.
- 194 Well, that and those little notes you leave in my lunch.

- 195 I leave those!
- 196 Well, that's disappointing.
- 197 I already know that you heart me.
- 198 Now I don't know if Leonard does.
- 199 Well, this is what we're having for dinner.
- 200 You can eat it or not.
- 201 I don't care.
- 202 I guess that answers the heart question.
- 203 I-It's fine.
- 204 We'll have barbecue.
- 205 Oh, of course.
- 206 I'm nothing if not flexible.
- 207 I'm sure that at some point in the , -year history of the Chinese empire, a cavalryman crossing the Gobi Desert was forced by hunger to eat his own horse and roast it over a campfire, hence, Chinese barbecue.
- 208 Let's eat.
- 209 Gee, I'm sorry, I didn't watch the news today.
- 210 Has the whole world gone mad?
- 211 It's my house.
- 212 I'm tired of being told where I can and can't sit.
- 213 You did this.
- 214 Amy, grab your meat.
- 215 We're leaving in a huff.
- 216 I'm sorry, if I don't go now, it's not a huff.
- 217 Don't take this the wrong way, but that was even more exciting than the s\*x.
- 218 Don't take this the wrong way, but yes, it was.
- 219 Leonard, where are you going?
- 220 Well, to work.
- 221 Just trying out a different route.
- 222 Okay.
- 223 If we cross the county line, it's technically kidnapping.
- 224 Well, if you don't approve of my driving, too bad.
- 225 This is the new me.
- 226 Get used to it.
- 227 Fine.
- 228 Then this is the new me, and he finds the new you tiresome.
- 229 How is that different than the old you?
- 230 The new me gives knowing winks.
- 231 Well, all these years, I-I was afraid to say what I wanted.
- 232 You know, even at work, you know, there's things I want to accomplish,
- but I didn't want to ruffle any feathers or step on any toes.
- 233 Feathers and toes?
- 234 Is the new thing you're trying to accomplish ballroom dancing with a chicken?
- 235 Look at that—the new me is hilarious.

- 236 Always wanted to be the principal investigator on a plasma physics study.
- 237 Hey, look at that—the new you's funny, too.
- 238 I'm serious.
- 239 You know...
- 240 I'm gonna put together a proposal and tell President Siebert this is what I want to do.
- 241 If he doesn't let me, there's plenty of other universities that will.
- 242 Sure there are.
- 243 Of course you don't want me to do that, because you like it when you're successful and I'm not.
- 244 No, you're confusing causation and...
- 245 "Welcome to Alhambra." Where the heck are we?
- 246 Now I'm some sort of big joke.
- 247 I'm even on some alien conspiracy blog.
- 248 See?
- 249 "Caltech astrophysicist finds proof of alien life" Wow, that is not a great picture of you.
- 250 That's not the point.
- 251 Dr. Koothrappali.
- 252 I'm surprised to see you in here.
- 253 Why is that?
- 254 Because the truth...
- 255 is out there!
- 256 (laughing)
- 257 You see?
- 258 That's what I'm talking about.
- 259 People have been doing that to me all day.
- 260 Relax.
- 261 They're just having fun.
- 262 (Koothrappali sighs)
- 263 Oh, come on!
- 264 See?
- 265 It's fun.
- 266 (chuckles)
- 267 Wow.
- 268 Déjà vu.
- 269 Amy, you're a neuroscientist— you know the latest research into déjà vu suggests it's nothing but the frontal regions of the brain attempting to correct an inaccurate memory.
- 270 You telling me stuff I already know is definitely déjà vu.
- 271 How about telling me something I don't know, like why you're sitting on the stairs.
- 272 How can I tell if I'm doing something for a noble reason or a selfish reason?
- 273 Try saying the thing in your head and see if you can add the words, "That'll show 'em." Leonard's about to demand a job that I don't think the university will give him.

- 274 I'm worried he's making a giant mistake.
- 275 But maybe I only think that because deep down I don't want him to succeed.
- 276 The fact that you're worried about your motivation supports the idea that you genuinely care for your friend.
- 277 I do.
- 278 Thank you, Amy.
- 279 You know what?
- 280 After I've talked to Leonard, you've earned yourself a bonus lecture on Sponge Hulk.
- 281 That'll show me.
- 282 So, I spent the whole day putting together this proposal, and tomorrow I'm gonna tell President Siebert that this is what I want to do.
- 283 Oh.
- 284 Well, this...
- 285 looks great.
- 286 - You didn't even open it.
- 287 - Well, no, it's got a nice, you know, science-y heft to it.
- 288 I...
- 289 Really proud of you, sweetie.
- 290 Leonard?
- 291 - Hmm?
- 292 - Um, I have been agonizing over whether or not to say something to you.
- 293 Aw
- 294 Let me help.
- 295 Don't.
- 296 I have to.
- 297 I don't think that you should demand to be in charge of a plasma project.
- 298 Well, big surprise.
- 299 You can't stand the idea of me succeeding.
- 300 No.
- 301 I'll be honest.
- 302 New assertive Leonard is going to take some getting used to.
- 303 But so did cargo pants Leonard, hmm?
- 304 Who, for the record, I miss.
- 305 He always had gum.
- 306 Sheldon, if this is what he wants, he should ask for it.
- 307 I mean, what's the worst that happens?
- 308 They say no.
- 309 Well, I'm not gonna let them say no.
- 310 If they don't want me to quit, this is what it's gonna take.
- 311 Wait, you're gonna quit?
- 312 Yeah.
- 313 It's like you said, I have to go after what I want, and if I can't get that at Caltech, there are plenty of other universities in the world.
- 314 W...

- 315 In the world?
- 316 (laughs)
- 317 I can't even get you to go to the beach, and now you want to move to the world?
- 318 Well, I don't want to, but if that's what I have to do...
- 319 Okay, don't you think threatening to quit your job is something you should run by me first?
- 320 You said I shouldn't worry about your feelings.
- 321 I meant feelings about things that I don't care about!
- 322 Now, I'm not quite sure when to jump in here...
- 323 - Not now.
- 324 - Okay.
- 325 Fine, you want to talk about it?
- 326 Let's talk about it.
- 327 I-I'm not loving my job right now.
- 328 And this is something that would make me happy.
- 329 Don't you want me to be happy?
- 330 Oh, I've been dinged on this before.
- 331 Whatever you really think, you have to say yes.
- 332 - Of course I want you to be happy.
- 333 - Well played.
- 334 Okay, I know this seems scary, but I put together a strong proposal.
- 335 It's good for me, it's good for the university.
- 336 They're gonna give it to me.
- 337 No.
- 338 I'm sorry, President Siebert, but I'm not taking no for an answer.
- 339 I speak a little Russian.
- 340 Will you take nyet for an answer?
- 341  $\ensuremath{\text{I'm}}$  serious.
- 342 Oh.
- 343 Well, that changes everything.
- 344 - Really?
- 345 - Nyet. I know a lot of people have been having fun claiming that I said I found alien life.
- 346 (chuckles)
- 347 I want to make it clear that is not what I said.
- 348 I did say that was one possible explanation.
- 349 I don't think that's something to mock.
- 350 Right?
- 351 It would be arrogant for us to assume that we are alone in the universe.
- 352 And as scientists, we need to remain open to the possibility that the truth may sound silly or far-fetched.
- 353 Uh, the round Earth.
- 354 Germs that cause diseases.
- 355 Subatomic particles.
- 356 All these at one time seemed fanciful.

- 357 So who's to say what science fiction of today will be the reality of tomorrow?
- 358 Will there be colonies on Mars?
- 359 Uh, matter transporters?
- 360 Perhaps the Loch Ness Monster is real.
- 361 Who knows?
- 362 I'm just saying that...
- 363 the only way science moves forward is to follow the evidence wherever it leads, even if it makes us sound crazy sometimes.
- 364 Hey, Bernie, look at this.
- 365 "Caltech astrophysicist claims Loch Ness Monster is real." (giggles)
- 366 - Hey.
- 367 How did it go?
- 368 - Great.
- 369 What, so you got the job?
- 370 I did not.
- 371 So you quit?
- 372 Okay, Leonard, I can't move.
- 373 I just bought a six-month membership to SoulCycle.
- 374 Well, I-I didn't quit.
- 375 I said I was going to.
- 376 I walked out the door and started crying.
- 377 You know, "Oh, my, God, oh, my God, oh, my God, what'd I do?" And then he called me back in.
- 378 (gasps)
- 379 Then he changed his mind?
- 380 He did not.
- 381 I'm really confused about how to react to this story.
- 382 President Siebert didn't want to lose me.
- 383 Even though they couldn't make me a lead investigator on a plasma team, there was an opening for a co-lead on a photon entanglement team.
- 384 How cool is that?
- 385 You're gonna have to tell me.
- 386 It's really cool.
- 387 Yay!
- 388 Oh, I am so happy for you.
- 389 I almost got what I wanted, and it never would have happened if you hadn't almost believed in me.
- 390 - Oh.
- 391 Let's celebrate.
- 392 What do you want to do?
- 393 Oh, please don't make me decide another thing.
- 394 (sighs)
- 395 Hey, you want to go to SoulCycle with me?
- 396 Give me a minute, I'll think of something.
- 397 Now, I know what You're you're thinking: isn't Broccoli Hulk basically

- just the Jolly Green Giant?
- 398 That is what I was thinking.
- 399 Let's never discuss it again.
- 400 Really?
- 401 - Are you hiding from Penny again?
- 402 - No.
- 403 No, no, no.
- 404 I-I went to Soul Cycle with her, and my legs hurt so bad,  ${\rm I...}$
- 405 literally can't stand up.
- 406 Sheldon, why don't you keep him company.
- 407 All right.
- 408 Hello, Leonard.
- 409 Hey.
- 410 (sighs)
- 411 Have you ever wondered what the Hulk would be like if he were made of sherbet?
- 412 I give up.
- 413 Delicious.

#### 4.21 Episode 21: The Plagiarism Schism

- 1 Previously on The Big Bang Theory...
- 2 We conclusively proved super-asymmetry, and yet somehow we-we still feel like imposters.
- 3 Yeah, there should be a term for that.
- 4 Oh, for crying out loud, there is a term for that!
- 5 It's called "imposter syndrome," and you don't have it, because you can't have it if you are imposters, and you are!
- 6 We're the ones who discovered super-asymmetry, so if anyone's gonna feel like they have imposter syndrome, it's us because we're not imposters, they are!
- 7 You're imposters and you're frauds!
- 8 I think what President Siebert is trying to say is that this is a setback and we should adopt a different strategy.
- 9 I-I'm sorry. I-I just- I-I snapped.
- 10 Oh, you're sorry.
- 11 It's all better, then.
- 12 Listen up, you have shot to win a Nobel Prize, and you're blowing it.
- 13 I think what President Siebert is trying to say is that you have a shot to win a Nobel Prize, and you're blowing it.
- 14 Uh, that's exactly what he said.
- 15 Yes, but I said it in my calming HR voice.
- 16 So, obviously, I'm really sorry about my outburst.
- 17 (stammers) Calling you frauds was unacceptable.
- 18 I feel terrible about it.
- 19 It has caused her a lot of stress.
- 20 She chewed through her night guard like it was a piece of jerky.

- 21 What you said was really hurtful, especially because I thought we were friends.
- 22 Why would you think that?
- 23 Ouch.
- 24 Ignore them; they're just mean people.
- 25 Uh, not mean, just sorry.
- 26 Seem mean, are sorry. Happens all the time.
- 27 It's okay.
- 28 I talked to my therapist, and she made me realize that what you said was really more about your own insecurities.
- 29 I'm sorry, what?
- 30 There you go, she's sorry.
- 31 We all heard it. Moving on.
- 32 Yes, obviously, you're angry at all the attention we're getting for our discovery and you're lashing out.
- 33 Well, uh, technically, she lashed out.
- 34 I contained myself, which I don't think I'm getting enough credit for.
- 35 The point is we should take it as a compliment that even you guys think we will win the Nobel Prize.
- 36 Uh, no, we-we certainly do not think that.
- 37 The Nobel Committee will realize that we came up with this theory.
- 38 But we proved it.
- 39 By accident.
- 40 All breakthroughs happen by accident.
- 41 No, they don't!
- 42 Look, the Nobel Committee doesn't like infighting, so if the four of you don't stop sniping at each other, the award's gonna go to someone else entirely.
- 43 He's right.
- 44 You know, like it or not, we can't avoid each other.
- 45 Let's at least try to be civil.
- 46 Agreed.
- 47 You know, when you think about it, we're linked together the same way that super-asymmetry links together every atom in the universe.
- 48 Hmm.
- 49 That's not what it does at all!
- 50 Well, that's the great thing about science.
- 51 We all get to have our own opinions.
- 52 I'm still not talking
- 53 That's impressive, right?
- 54 Our whole universe was in a hot, dense state
- 55 Then nearly billion years ago expansion started... Wait!
- 56 The Earth began to cool
- 57 The autotrophs began to drool, Neanderthals developed tools
- 58 We built the Wall
- 59 We built the pyramids
- 60 Math, Science, History, unraveling the mystery

- 61 That all started with a big bang
- 62 Bang!
- 63 You- No, no, no, no.
- 64 Your money's no good here.
- 65 Well, I'm glad that we hashed all that out, and moving forward, may the best team win.
- 66 I couldn't agree more.
- 67 (quietly):
- 68 We're the best team.
- 69 Greg Pemberton, you old so-and-so.
- 70 (chuckles) Very good to see you.
- 71 Uh, let me introduce you to my colleague, Dr. Campbell.
- 72 Uh, Kevin, this is Barry Kripke.
- 73 We went to college together.
- 74 Great to meet you.
- 75 Well, you have my number.
- 76 We should hit up the buffet at the strip club while you're in town.
- 77 Nothing beats a lap dance and a baked potato bar, huh?
- 78 (chuckles)
- 79 You can come, too.
- 80 That's a hard pass.
- 81 I'll walk you out.
- 82 PEMBERTON: Good to see you, Barry.
- 83 You're the best!
- 84 Oh...
- 85 God, I hate that guy.
- 86 That's strange; you seem quite fond of him.
- 87 I was only being polite. Pemberton is a grade A weasel.
- 88 How do I know you're not just being polite when you say it's nice to see me?
- 89 I have literally never said that to you.
- 90 Why do you say he's a weasel?
- 91 (sighs) Pemberton's whole M.O. was to take other people's ideas and turn them in as his own.
- 92 That's exactly what he's doing to us.
- 93 I'm not surprised. I heard the only work he did on his thesis was googling, "Where can I buy a thesis?"
- 94 Well, plagiarism is a pretty serious charge. Are you sure?
- 95 You want proof? I can make some calls.
- 96 You'd do that for us?
- 97 I really don't want to see that guy win a Nobel.
- 98 I also don't want to see you win a Nobel.
- 99 Ooh, this is tricky.
- 100 I don't know, Barry.
- 101 It sounds a little sleazy.
- 102 Well, let me know if you change your mind.

- 103 Sleazy is where I thrive.
- 104 So I was talking to my mom about our Pemberton and Campbell situation.
- 105 Really? What'd she say?
- 106 Apparently, Old Testament God would bring down his wrath on them for being deceitful, but New Testament God would forgive them.
- 107 So couldn't we just bring down our wrath and ask the New Testament God to forgive us?
- 108 You know, I asked her that very question.
- 109 And?
- 110 She said I was full of California sass.
- 111 Oh, good, you're all here. Uh, we're wrestling with an ethical question, and perhaps you could help.
- 112 - Sure, what's up? Yeah.
- 113 - Fire away.
- 114 If we have damaging and embarrassing information about someone, should we keep it to ourselves or expose them?
- 115 Quick question: Does it happen to do with online tastes that might or might not reflect their real-life tastes?
- 116 I know all about your tall girl website.
- 117 It goes on our credit card.
- 118 It's Dr. Pemberton.
- 119 Kripke says he plagiarized his thesis, and that he can prove it.
- 120 Wow. Well, that's not gonna sit well with the Nobel Committee.
- 121 Hang on. I don't think it's fair to use something someone did in school against them.
- 122 Relax, he said it's not you.
- 123 I don't know. If someone's a cheater, they should be held accountable no matter how long ago it was.
- 124 (laughs): Okay, now you just sound crazy.
- 125 So you really think they should do this?
- 126 (stammers) It wouldn't just knock Pemberton out of Nobel contention, it would blow up his whole career.
- 127 To that, I say kaboom!
- 128 No, I meant it's a bad thing.
- 129 No, no, I agree with Bernadette.
- 130 If Pemberton cheated, maybe he shouldn't have a career in the first place.
- 131 There's plenty of people that didn't plagiarize.
- 132 And a few of us who did, but it's only 'cause The Scarlet Letter was so boring.
- 133 Aw, I love The Scarlet Letter.
- 134 Th-That's where I got my taste for bad girls.
- 135 Ugh, why is this decision so hard?
- 136 Maybe because you want to win, but deep down you know it's not the honorable way to do it.
- 137 Otherwise, you would've done it already.
- 138 That's really wise.

- 139 Yes, but it may just be the Indian accent.
- 140 Do you think by not exposing Pemberton we're doing the right thing?
- 141 Of course.
- 142 Unless you think we're not doing the right thing.
- 143 Why would you think that I don't think we're doing the right thing?
- 144 You might think that if good people hold themselves to unrealistically high ethical standards, then they might lose out to their unscrupulous competitors.
- 145 Is that what you think?
- 146 No.
- 147 No, I just thought if you thought we weren't doing the right thing, that's why you might think that.
- 148 Well, if I did think that, you might point out that people who claim it's okay to do bad things to win are bad people no matter what they tell themselves.
- 149 And I'd be right to point that out.
- 150 Because you're a good person.
- 151 I love talking to you.
- 152 It's like talking to me, but with a girl voice.
- 153 I'm just saying, Sheldon and Amy deserve to win, and sometimes that means doing what you got to do.
- 154 Don't you think it's better to take the high road?
- 155 Yeah, and instead of guns, armies should carry candy canes that shoot wishes.
- 156 So what's the worst thing you've ever done to get something you wanted?
- 157 I'm not gonna tell you that.
- 158 Oh, come on.
- 159 I'll tell you mine.
- 160 (laughs): Right, 'cause yours is gonna be as bad as mine. Okay.
- 161 (chuckles)
- 162 Come on, just tell me.
- 163 Okay, fine.
- 164 When we first met, there was another waitress at The Cheesecake Factory who thought you were cute, so I told her you had all the hepatitises, A through Z.
- 165 There aren't hepatitises.
- 166 Well, if she was smart enough to know that, she wouldn't still be working at a Cheesecake Factory.
- 167 Oh, she still works there?
- 168 Who was it?
- 169 Why does it matter?
- 170 You're right, it doesn't matter 'cause I got the best one.
- 171 Was it Susan?
- 172 Why? Because she's tall?
- 173 Good night.
- 174 Can't believe it.
- 175 Sheldon loves telling on people when they break the rules.

- 176 Yeah, well, maybe he's changed.
- 177 He hasn't changed. Last week, when the vending machine gave me two bags of chips, he called my mom.
- 178 Well, that didn't ruin your life.
- 179 Well, it ruined my day.
- 180 I had to talk to my mom, who, by the way, is-is polyamorous now, so that's fun to think about.
- 181 Look, I'm proud of Sheldon and Amy.
- 182 You know? They want to win this thing on their own merits, not by knocking out the competition.
- 183 Yeah, but what if they don't win?
- 184 Uh, Pemberton and Campbell have done an amazing job of associating their names with super-asymmetry.
- 185 They have all the momentum right now.
- 186 I don't like the idea of them losing either, but this is their decision to make, not ours.
- 187 (sighs)
- 188 Maybe it is ours.
- 189 What do you mean?
- 190 Well, i-if Sheldon and Amy don't want to expose Pemberton, that doesn't mean someone else can't do it for them.
- 191 They'd never have to know.
- 192 Really? You'd do that?
- 193 They deserve the Nobel.
- 194 I'm not gonna let two frauds steal it from them.
- 195 And if that means getting my hands dirty, so be it.
- 196 (laughs)
- 197 What's so funny?
- 198 Just realized I've never actually seen your hands dirty.
- 199 All right, Hofstadter, here's all the proof you need.
- 200 Great, thanks.
- 201 Just remember,
- 202 once you take this envelope, there's no turning back.
- 203 What if I look at it and decide not to use it?
- 204 I had not considered that.
- 205 Got to hand it to you, you got a real talent for making things boring.
- 206 Thanks.
- 207 Hey, look at that, you did it again.
- 208 Hi, Leonard.
- 209 What? Nothing.
- 210 You okay?
- 211 Uh, no, you are.
- 212 So guess what.
- 213 There was a waitress at The Cheesecake Factory back in the day who kind of had a thing for me.
- 214 Other than Bernadette?

- 215 That does not sound right.
- 216 Honest to God.
- 217 Oh, well, who was it?
- 218 It doesn't even matter.
- 219 I'm happily married.
- 220 The point is women-plural-find me appealing.
- 221 Okay. Okay, well, well, let's see.
- 222 Okay? We-we know it wasn't Penny, we know it wasn't Susan...
- 223 - Wait.
- 224 How do we know it wasn't Susan?
- 225 Uh, because she had a type.
- 226 What type?
- 227 Don't make me say it.
- 228 Are you saying I'm not a handsome guy?
- 229 See? It's mean, right?
- 230 Hold on, as we've established, a minimum of two women think I'm attractive.
- 231 Uh, yeah, you're right, it was totally Susan.
- 232 I didn't say it was her.
- 233 I said it could've been.
- 234 It could've been anybody. Marta, Gina, Annalise...
- 235 It's a little creepy that you remember all their names.
- 236 Not just their names.
- 237 The cars they drove, the color of their eyes, and whether or not they had boyfriends.
- 238 Your husband was acting kind of weird today.
- 239 You sure you're not thinking about your husband?
- 240 No. He was acting all sketchy.
- 241 Almost like he was guilty or something.
- 242 Oh. Well, that doesn't mean anything.
- 243 I mean, Leonard has resting guilt face.
- 244 Yeah, it's-it's like, "What are you guilty about, Leonard?"
- 245 "Nothing." "Well, then, tell it to your face." (scoffs)
- 246 Are you okay?
- 247 I'm so okay, yeah.
- 248 Then why are you acting guilty now?
- 249 Okay, look, Leonard knows that you and Sheldon decided to take the high road, so he went to Kripke for you.
- 250 But that just means you didn't do anything wrong, and now you don't risk losing to those idiots.
- 251 Why did you tell me?
- 252 Now that I know, I'm implicated.
- 253 But you wanted me to.
- 254 I also wanted you to be my jester at the Renaissance Fair, but that didn't happen.
- 255 I wanted to be a princess.

- 256 There was only one princess, and it was me!
- 257 Fine. I'm sorry I told you.
- 258 And I forgive you.
- 259 'Cause that's what a princess would do.
- 260 Kudos on the meatballs.
- 261 They're nice and round.
- 262 - Thanks.
- 263 - Yeah.
- 264 They're much better than those prolate spheroids you used to pass off as balls.
- 265 Okav.
- 266 Are you all right?
- 267 You seem distracted.
- 268 Yeah, sorry. I'm just trying to figure something out.
- 269 Is it what to get me for our anniversary?
- 270 'Cause I'll give you a hint: it's already in my Amazon basket. Just click "buy now."
- 271 I filled out the gift card for you.
- 272 Apparently, I'm the light of your life.
- 273 Sheldon, if someone were gonna do something ethically murky on your behalf, would you rather know about it or not know about it to retain your innocence?
- 274 Well, now that I know there's a thing to know, I have to know.
- 275 Can't help myself; I'm a fact addict.
- 276 That's not a real thing.
- 277 And that's a fact.
- 278 Leonard, I know what you're planning to do, and I said I didn't want to do it.
- 279 What? You told him?
- 280 Well, you told me.
- 281 Yeah, that's-that's probably where you heard it.
- 282 You're not doing anything wrong.
- 283 That's the point.
- 284 I'm doing it.
- 285 Yeah, but it's still wrong.
- 286 Well, so is you and Amy not getting the recognition for your discovery.
- 287 And if that means I have to do something shady so you don't have to, I'm okay with that.
- 288 But we're not.
- 289 I mean, it's sweet that you want to help, but we don't want you compromising your integrity for us.
- 290 Wait, what- really?
- 291 I thought we were just worried about looking bad.
- 292 It could be both.
- 293 Okav.
- 294 But I'm gonna go with my reason.

- 295 Yours is too complicated.
- 296 Hey.
- 297 Hev.
- 298 Listen, I did something kind of stupid today.
- 299 Okav
- 300 I went to The Cheesecake Factory to try to figure out who that waitress was.
- 301 - Howie.
- 302 - Don't worry, I didn't find out, because I realized I didn't even care. (chuckles)
- 303 W-While I was there, I started asking myself, "Why does this mean anything to me?"
- 304 And... I guess the truth is it was all about my vanity.
- 305 And why should I need to be validated by another woman liking me when the best woman in the world already loves me?
- 306 (sighs)
- 307 And I just wanted you to know that.
- 308 (chuckles)
- 309 The restaurant manager already called.
- 310 You really creeped a lot of people out.
- 311 And I regret that.
- 312 (chuckles)
- 313 Because the only woman I want to creep out is the mother of my children.
- 314 Well, you're off to a good start.
- 315 Thank you for meeting us.
- 316 No problem.
- 317 We never say no when someone wants to buy us lunch.
- 318 We didn't say we were going to buy you lunch.
- 319 Really? Apologies go down easier with free turkey club sandwiches.
- 320 This isn't another a pology.
- 321 There's something we have to give you.
- 322 Yes.
- 323 Uh, we have proof that you plagiarized your thesis.
- 324 It's why we invited you to this lunch.
- 325 (gasps)
- 326 We invited them.
- 327 That's the confusion over who's paying.
- 328 Hold on, are you blackmailing us?
- 329 No, the opposite.
- 330 We're blackmailing you?
- 331 How are you up for a Nobel?!
- 332 SHELDON: We're giving you this so that no one can use it against you, because we want to win on our own merits, not by tearing you down.
- 333 So it's true?
- 334 You really did this?
- 335 It was years ago, and I was going through a very hard time.

- 336 - What hard time?
- 337 I had to write a thesis, and I wasn't smart enough to do it.
- 338 You realize my name is attached to yours.
- 339 If this gets out, it ruins me, too.
- 340 It's not gonna get out.
- 341 (scoffs) You know what? Linda was right.
- 342 You're always looking for shortcuts.
- 343 When did you talk to my ex-wife?
- 344 She's not your ex-wife.
- 345 You keep dragging your feet on those papers.
- 346 Well, I'm trying to get the lake house.
- 347 You're not getting the lake house.
- 348 You're never getting the lake house.
- 349 She picked it out, she decorated it.
- 350 The lake house is hers.
- 351 What is going on here?
- 352 I'm in love with Linda!
- 353 You son of a bitch!
- 354 (both grunting)
- 355 That was my iced tea.
- 356 (slurring): Dr. Cooper, Dr. Fowler.
- 357 Just the guy I want to see.
- 358 Are you drunk?
- 359 I was, and then I still was.
- 360 And now, I still was.
- 361 Okay, can we help you?
- 362 Pemberton is out.
- 363 Someone published all the information about his plagiarism.
- 364 (whispers): It was me.
- 365 Someone else told Fermilab, and he lost his job.
- 366 (whispers): Also me.
- 367 And someone is sleeping with his ex-wife and it's not me.
- 368 I thought it was.
- 369 Not anymore. Apparently, just because I'm better than her husband doesn't mean I'm as good as her contractor.
- 370 Women, huh?
- 371 I-I think you need to go.
- 372 No, wait.
- 373 Hear me out.
- 374 Look, the three of us could team up.
- 375 There's one small catch.
- 376 Dr. Pemberton has been saying a lot of bad stuff about me.
- 377 But don't worry, I couldn't possibly have done any of it, because I was with you guys the whole time.
- 378 (whispers): I did it.
- 379 (stammers) Frankly, I don't know what Linda ever saw in either of them.

# 4.22 Episode 22: The Maternal Conclusion

- 1 Leonard, when are you leaving to pick your mother up from the airport?
- 2 Uh, well, let's see, her plane gets in at : , figure half hour to get her luggage, so... never.
- 3 Never?
- 4 Isn't that usually when you go to the gym?
- 5 Are you really not gonna pick up your mother?
- 6 No- it's fine, she likes to take a cab or a shuttle.
- 7 That way she can meet people.
- 8 Well, that's kind of nice.
- 9 Yeah, she always says that a stranger is just a person whose emotional weak point you haven't found yet.
- 10 Your mom is the best.
- 11 (chuckles)
- 12 Oh, maybe I should pick her up.
- 13 You don't drive.
- 14 That's what makes you and me a great team.
- 15 Go get your keys.
- 16 You can't pick her up.
- 17 It'll make me look like a bad son.
- 18 I imagine that's one of the things we'll talk about on the ride.
- 19 That and Amy's recent reluctance to use turn signals.
- 20 We were in a parking garage.
- 21 Come on, she gave birth to you.
- 22 Fine, I'll pick her up.
- 23 Good, I'll go with you.
- 24 - I call back seat.
- 25 Oh, I don't want to be the only one who doesn't go.
- 26 I'll just sit here afraid that you're all talking about me.
- 27 We're not gonna talk about you.
- 28 Well, that's my other fear.
- 29 This is crazy. I can pick her up by myself.
- 30 So it's just you?
- 31 Our whole universe was in a hot, dense state
- 32 Then nearly billion years ago expansion started... Wait!
- 33 The Earth began to cool
- 34 The autotrophs began to drool, Neanderthals developed tools
- 35 We built the Wall
- 36 We built the pyramids
- 37 Math, Science, History, unraveling the mystery
- 38 That all started with a big bang
- 39 Bang!
- 40 How was your flight?
- 41 There were some parents with a baby.
- 42 A lot of crying.

- 43 Well, babies do that.
- 44 No, it was the parents.
- 45 It seems they couldn't handle some constructive criticism.
- 46 Hey, on a completely unrelated note, um,
- 47 you know, if you'd rather stay at a hotel,
- 48 we wouldn't be offended.
- 49 Actually, I've been looking forward to staying with you.
- 50 Really? It's just, normally, you stay at a hotel.
- 51 Would you like me to stay at a hotel?
- 52 No, no, no.
- 53 I-I invited you to stay with us.
- 54 And I accepted, so everyone is happy.
- 55 Yep.
- 56 I'm happy, you're happy...
- 57 ...everyone's happy.
- 58 How come we never eat in the dining room?
- 59 Oh, that's for company.
- 60 What am I?
- 61 Apparently, a guy who wants to have his feelings hurt.
- 62 When does Anu come back from London?
- 63 Next week.
- 64 But it's been good, you know?
- 65 Really given me a chance to focus on myself.
- 66 How's that going?
- 67 I didn't like what I saw, got in my car, drove over here.
- 68 - Hey, guys.
- 69 - Hey. Hey.
- 70 I'm sorry, I didn't know you had company.
- 71 It's all right, neither did they.
- 72 Is Stuart home?
- 73 No, he's at work.
- 74 The last juice.
- 75 I'm gonna add it to the list.
- 76 That's whose handwriting
- 77 that is.
- 78 I've noticed she's been over here a lot lately.
- 79 You know how you noticed that?
- 80 Because you're over here a lot lately.
- 81 She has slept over every night this week.
- 82 Uh, no, no, she wasn't here Wednesday night.
- 83 Yes, she was. You didn't notice because you were in the hot tub in the backyard eating Oreos.
- 84 That reminds me.
- 85 Oreos.
- 86 Really?
- 87 A photon entanglement team.

- 88 Yeah, I-I'm actually the colead.
- 89 Yeah, if you like photons and how they get entangled, he's your co-guy.
- 90 (Leonard chuckles)
- 91 I would enjoy seeing your lab.
- 92 Oh. Yeah, sure.
- 93 Uh, if you want, you can come tomorrow.
- 94 I look forward to it.
- 95 Well, I think I'm going to turn in.
- 96 Good night, Penny.
- 97 Good night, dear.
- 98 - Good night.
- 99 - Night, Beverly.
- 100 Wow, she's being really nice.
- 101 Yeah, clearly, one of us is dying.
- 102 Come on, her.
- 103 Or you accomplished something great, and she's genuinely proud.
- 104 Yeah, all right, you've had enough.
- 105 (keyboard clicks)
- 106 Hi.
- 107 - Hey.
- 108 - Oh, it's so good to see your face.
- 109 H-How's the concierge conference?
- 110 You guys just get theater tickets for each other all day long?
- 111 (chuckles)
- 112 It's going great, and the company put me in a nice place in Notting Hill.
- 113 Notting Hill? Like the movie?
- 114 Uh, "I'm just a boy standing in front of a girl saying..."
- 115 you better bring me home a T-shirt.
- 116 I can't wait for you to come home.
- 117 Actually, that's one of the reasons I called.
- 118 They offered me a management position.
- 119 That's amazing.
- 120 T-That's your dream.
- 121 It's here in London.
- 122 Oh.
- 123 And they want me to start right away.
- 124 What does that mean for us?
- 125 Well, how committed are you to staying in California?
- 126 This is where my work is, this is where my friends are.
- 127 But are you happy?
- 128 Not for years.
- 129 What's your point?
- 130 All right, I got to head out to my drawing class.
- 131 Fruit or naked dudes?
- 132 Actually, it doesn't matter, I'm jealous of both.
- 133 - I'll see you tonight?

- 134 - Yeah.
- 135 (laughs softly)
- 136 So she's coming over again, huh?
- 137 Yeah, we're gonna do a movie night.
- 138 It's my house. Don't you think you should ask me?
- 139 You're right, I'm sorry.
- 140 Howard, would you like to come to movie night?
- 141 Doesn't she have her own place?
- 142 Why don't you guys hang out there?
- 143 Oh, she has a roommate, and he's kind of creepy.
- 144 A-And that's coming from me.
- 145 It just feels like Denise is basically living with us.
- 146 You know, maybe you can spend half the time at her place.
- 147 Hey, when I moved in, you and Bernadette said it was okay if I brought girls over.
- 148 (laughs):
- 149 Oh. We were making fun of you.
- 150 And this is a high-pulse laser with a BBO crystal.
- 151 It's pretty cool.
- 152 It emits photons in discrete bursts.
- 153 Huh. Very impressive.
- 154 But...?
- 155 But what, dear?
- 156 Oh, I don't know.
- 157 It's just, usually there's a "but" followed by something that makes me feel bad.
- 158 Ah, Beverly, there you are.
- 159 Sheldon, how nice to see you.
- 160 Leonard was just showing me his new lab.
- 161 Oh, yes, experimental physics, the carpentry of the science world. Well...
- 162 I'm here to rescue you from the boredom.
- 163 Not necessary. This is really quite interesting.
- 164 But...?
- 165 But nothing.
- 166 Oh. Well, if you want to see something really interesting, I could show you my work, which is being talked about for a Nobel Prize.
- 167 Oh, well, I'd love to see it later, but right now, I'm spending time with my son.
- 168 Ha! I knew there was a "but" wait, what?
- 169 Ready?
- 170 You sure I didn't need to see Paddington?
- 171 He's a bear, he talks, no one knows why.
- 172 You're all caught up.
- 173 Push play.
- 174 May I join you?
- 175 Oh. Hey, Mitch, I didn't see you there.

- 176 Really? I've been standing here the whole time.
- 177 Well, sure. Yeah, join us.
- 178 (exhales)
- 179 (music playing softly over TV)
- 180 Movie's up there.
- 181 I've seen it.
- 182 It's wonderful.
- 183 So she's staying in London?
- 184 What does that mean for your relationship?
- 185 It's great.
- 186 I can see why she would say that, but why do you?
- 187 Well, we got into this because we both wanted to get married, and hon-
- estly, we've been dragging our feet, and I think this is the push that we need.
- 188 Wait, so you're gonna ask her to marry you?
- 189 Why not?
- 190 We like each other, plus, we both want to start a family.
- 191 Hey, I can work from anywhere, I'm an astronomer.
- 192 They have stars in London, and I'm not just talking about Dame Judi Dench.
- 193 No one thought you were.
- 194 I thought he was.
- 195 So you're really gonna move halfway across the world?
- 196 If she says yes, and if that's what she wants to do, then yeah.
- 197 Wow.
- 198 Yeah, I know.
- 199 I'm flying out tomorrow.
- 200 I'm gonna surprise her with a ring.
- 201 You already have a ring?
- 202 Well, it's the same one as before.
- 203 I thought you gave it to her the first time you got engaged?
- 204 I did, but I took it back.
- 205 So, you're an Indian giver?
- 206 Howie.
- 207 What? If he's gonna move to England,
- 208 I need to get all these out now.
- 209 Here you go.
- 210 Light cream, no sugar.
- 211 That's perfect, thank you.
- 212 Beverly, I have to say, it's so nice seeing the two of you get along.
- 213 Oh, I've always gotten along with Leonard.
- 214 Of all of my children, he's the most docile.
- 215 She wrote that in a birthday card once.
- 216 I keep it in my nightstand.
- 217 (chuckles)
- 218 Still, it made him so happy showing you around his lab yesterday.
- 219 Interesting.

- 220 Would you say that that made him, uh, much happier than usual, somewhat happier than usual or as happy as usual?
- 221 Hmm, multiple choice.
- 222 Um, I'm-a go with D: "that's a weird question."
- 223 It made me really happy.
- 224 We haven't always had the easiest relationship.
- 225 But, well, looking back,
- 226 I guess you were just trying to push me to be the best version of myself.
- 227 So you would say that my parenting strategies, although difficult at times, directly contributed to your current success?
- 228 Well, I may have had a little something to do with it.
- 229 I mean, how often do you wear your superhero underwear now?
- 230 - Only Fridays and my birthday.
- 231 Yeah, that was all me.
- 232 That was me.
- 233 Yeah, that's a fair point.
- 234 I hadn't considered your influence.
- 235 Perhaps tomorrow I could observe the two of you together?
- 236 Uh, "observe"?
- 237 (laughs)
- 238 What is going on?
- 239 I'm just visiting with my son and doing research for my book on how various parenting strategies affected my children as adults.
- 240 This has all been work to you?
- 241 Hanging out with me and coming to my lab, I...
- 242 I thought we were enjoying each other's company, but it was just research.
- 243 I was enjoying it; you know I love research.
- 244 I can't believe this.
- 245 - What? You seem angry.
- 246 - Of course I'm angry!
- 247 Well, so would you say that you're somewhat angry, very angry or extremely angry?
- 248 Never mind.
- 249 I can see it in your face, dear.
- 250 I'm looking over my text correspondence with Beverly and I don't see anything that would have given her offense.
- 251 Nothing's ambiguous,
- 252 I spell everything out.
- 253 Including "laugh out loud" and "what's the fracas?"
- 254 I'm sure she's not mad at you.
- 255 Well, then why would she rather spend the day with Leonard?
- 256 Because he's her son?
- 257 Amy, I just feel like we're going in circles.
- 258 You- What?
- 259 No knock? What's the fracas?
- 260 (groans)

- 261 I am so stupid.
- 262 I-I actually thought my mom was genuinely proud of me.
- 263 It turns out, she's just using me as research for her new book.
- 264 Oh, what a relief.
- 265 I thought Beverly was mad at me.
- 266 Thank you, Leonard.
- 267 That is a weight off my shoulders.
- 268 If you like her so much you can have her, 'cause I-I'm done.
- 269 Oh, great.
- 270 Catch the two of you later.
- 271 Sheldon, no.
- 272 Why?
- 273 Well, it's an emotionally complex issue.
- 274 I don't have time to explain it right now.
- 275 Okay, but that excuse is running out of steam.
- 276 Well, Raj is probably on his way to the airport.
- 277 Yeah.
- 278 Guess he's finally getting his big romantic movie moment.
- 279 With a woman who doesn't care about big romantic movie moments.
- 280 Well, he'll have the rest of his life to explain them to her.
- 281 You can't really think this is a good idea.
- 282 Of course I don't.
- 283 What am I supposed to do?
- 284 Go stop him. Get your best friend back.
- 285 (chuckles softly)
- 286 - You're my best friend.
- 287 - We don't have time for this!
- 288 Go!
- 289 You know, Leonard was really upset.
- 290 Shouldn't you go talk to him?
- 291 And send the message that he can get what he wants by throwing a tantrum?
- 292 I don't think so.
- 293 Beverly, put down your phone and go apologize to your son.
- 294 Oh, so now you're not talking to me?
- 295 When you're finished with your tantrum, I'd be glad to.
- 296 (groans)
- 297 Just let me know when you're done.
- 298 Oh, my God.
- 299 When am I gonna stop trying to win her approval?
- 300 E-Every time I'm around her, I-I turn into this needy little eight-year-old bov.
- 301 You sound like that now and she's not even here.
- 302 If I could respond more compassionately than Sheldon... and thank you for making it so easy.
- 303 The need for a mother's approval is baked into our biology.

- 304 I know that, it's just... after all these years, you'd think I would have learned.
- 305 Hmm. It's too bad you didn't.
- 306 Well, see?
- 307 Compassion.
- 308 You okay?
- 309 Oh, yeah. My neck's a little stiff.
- 310 Maybe because my boyfriend made me sleep in a comic book store last night.
- 311 Bet your neck would hurt if you slept in any store.
- 312 Except maybe a mattress store.
- 313 I-I'm sorry, but I couldn't sleep at your place.
- 314 Mitch was really freaking me out.
- 315 He was freaking me out, too, but there has to be a better solution.
- 316 Tonight we'll go back to my place.
- 317 And tomorrow?
- 318 With my health being what it is, I try to live one day at a time.
- 319 I don't want to blame you, but if you'd moved in with me when I asked you to, we wouldn't be in this situation.
- 320 You're right.
- 321 It's my fault.
- 322 When I had the chance, I was scared and... now that I want to, you're stuck with Mitch.
- 323 So you do want to move in with me?
- 324 More than Galactus wants to devour worlds.
- 325 Well, that's great 'cause I want to move in with you more than the Thing wants to clobber.
- 326 More than Hulk wants to smash?
- 327 More than Batman wants to ignore the due process of law.
- 328 We are so weird.
- 329 WOLOWITZ: Raj! Stop!
- 330 (panting)
- 331 What?
- 332 What are you doing here?
- 333 Look... if you're getting on that plane because you love Anu and you...
- 334 can't stand the thought of spending another day without her... then go.
- 335 If not... then stay here with...the people who love you.
- 336 But what if this is my last chance at marriage and family?
- 337 I promise you it's not.
- 338 Believe me, somewhere out there is a woman who loves cooking shows and sweater vests and... all the other dumb things you love.
- 339 You really think so?
- 340 Yes.
- 341 And I don't think she's... waiting for you in England.
- 342 When you propose to someone in Notting Hill... it should be to someone who knows what that movie is.

- 343 Are you saying... you're just a boy... standing in front of another boy... saying you don't want him to leave?
- 344 Sure.
- 345 I love you, buddy.
- 346 I love you, too.
- 347 No.
- 348 No, no, that's not what's happening here.
- 349 Come on.
- 350 How'd you get past security?
- 351 I had to buy a ticket.
- 352 You owe me, bucks.
- 353 Penny, can I have a moment alone
- 354 - with my...?
- 355 - Yep, bye.
- 356 Have you calmed down?
- 357 No, I'm not calm.
- 358 You really hurt me.
- 359 - That wasn't my intention.
- 360 - It doesn't matter what you intended.
- 361 What matters is the way you made me feel.
- 362 Actually, the way y-you've always made me feel.
- 363 I see, so... you're here to tell me all the ways
- 364 - that I failed you as a mother.
- 365 - Yeah.
- 366 And get comfortable, 'cause i-it's a long list.
- 367 (exhales)
- 368 Is it happening soon?
- 369 You know what?
- 370 It doesn't matter.
- 371 Doesn't matter, you're never gonna change.
- 372 If I want you to accept me for me, then I guess I'm gonna have to accept you for you.
- 373 So...
- 374 I forgive you.
- 375 - I didn't ask you to forgive me.
- 376 - Too bad.
- 377 I forgive you anyway.
- 378 And I forgive myself for taking so long to do it.
- 379 Oh, my God, that feels so good.
- 380 I must admit, it... it does feel good.
- 381 What does?
- 382 You forgiving me.
- 383 It means a lot.
- 384 Thank you.
- 385 (sniffles)
- 386 Look, I was... scared to move in, but that was a mistake because she is

amazing and I really want to live with her.

- 387 So...think you'd be willing to find another place?
- 388 Do you love her?
- 389 Oh, we haven't really said that yet.
- 390 Yeah, I do.
- 391 Don't say it to me, say it to her.
- 392 I love you.
- 393 I love you, too.
- 394 Now both of you say it to me.

## 4.23 Episode 23: The Stockholm Syndrome

- 1 Previously, on The Big Bang Theory...
- 2 Guess I'm your new neighbor.
- 3 Penny.
- 4 - Oh. Leonard. Sheldon.
- 5 - Hi.
- 6 - Hi.
- 7 - Hi.
- 8 - Hi.
- 9 - Hi.
- 10 That's where I sit.
- 11 Howard Wolowitz.
- 12 Caltech Department of Applied Physics.
- 13 Penny?
- 14 Leonard.
- 15 Rai?
- 16 WOLOWITZ: He speaks English- he just can't speak to women.
- 17 LEONARD: Our babies will be smart and beautiful.
- 18 Finally caught a break.
- 19 Soft kitty...
- 20 You know my girlfriend, Bernadette.
- 21 MRS. WOLOWITZ (calls): Howard, I'm hungry!
- 22 Warm kitty...
- 23 (screams)
- 24 Little ball of fur...
- 25 I'm Amy Farrah Fowler. You're Sheldon Cooper.
- 26 Bazinga.
- 27 (tires squeal, horn honks)
- 28 (gasping, yelling)
- 29 Welcome to the premiere episode of Sheldon Cooper Presents
- 30 Fun with Flags.
- 31 I'm going up in space.
- 32 Technically, I'm an astronaut.
- 33 Oy vey!
- 34 You're talking to me.

- 35 I am.
- 36 (gasps)
- 37 Bernadette Maryann Rostenkowski...
- 38 We now pronounce you husband and wife.
- 39 Amy?
- 40 Howard?
- 41 Angry Amy?
- 42 I don't want you to say it just because social convention dictates that you...
- 43 I love you, too.
- 44 Will you marry me?
- 45 (softly): Yes.
- 46 (chuckles)
- 47 We did it!
- 48 Well, I enjoyed that more than I thought I would.
- 49 I wonder which one's Halley.
- 50 (baby bawling loudly)
- 51 Will you marry me?
- 52 WOLOWITZ: That... means... positive?
- 53 (gasps)
- 54 Super asymmetry, that's it!
- 55 AMY: Our paper was right.
- 56 - We did it!
- 57 - We did it?
- 58 We did it!
- 59 Six times ten to the eighth atoms
- 60 Of a radium in a lead jar
- 61 Six times ten to the eighth atoms of radium
- 62 If the half-life of radium should happen to pass
- 63 Three times ten to the eighth atoms
- 64 Of a radium in a lead jar...
- 65 PENNY: Really hope you're almost to zero.
- 66 No, see, that's the beauty of half-lives: it's impossible to determine when you'll arrive at zero.
- 67 It's like "Wheels on the Bus" if the bus had an unknowable number of parts.
- 68 Yeah, we're gonna need more coffee.
- 69 Yep. I'm with you.
- 70 Leonard, coffee?
- 71 Black and strong, like Luke Cage.
- 72 I'm too tired to even be disturbed by that.
- 73 Sheldon?
- 74 Mm, absolutely not, no.
- 75 The Nobel committee will be making the calls to inform the winners at any minute, so the only drug I need is the endorphins pumping through my brain in anticipation of our victory.
- 76 Well, technically, anticipation wouldn't be mediated by endorphins as much

- as dopamine, but, you know, you've been up all night, so I'll give you that one.
- 77 Really? The second he stops talking?
- 78 Well... should we wake him up?
- 79 Well, he did say if he fell asleep, we were allowed to slap him awake.
- 80 Oh, boy.
- 81 Wait a minute.
- 82 Why do you get to do it?
- 83 'Cause I called it.
- 84 Well, you can't just call it.
- 85 You have to earn it.
- 86 Oh, and you've earned it?
- 87 No one has earned it more than me.
- 88 (Amy clearing throat)
- 89 You have your whole life to smack him around.
- 90 This is my time.
- 91 Fine. Don't miss.
- 92 It's not a volleyball.
- 93 I can handle it.
- 94 Oh, wait. Hang on.
- 95 When you're old, you are gonna want a record of this.
- 96 Oh, oh, yeah.
- 97 Do it in slo-mo.
- 98 I want to see his cheeks ripple.
- 99 Ready... go.
- 100 (ringtone playing)
- 101 (gasps) It's happening!
- 102 Unknown caller.
- 103 It's got to be them.
- 104 Okay, put it on speaker.
- 105 - Hello?
- 106 - Hi.
- 107 MAN:
- 108 Hello. This is Sweden calling.
- 109 Is this Dr. Cooper and Dr. Fowler?
- 110 - Yes.
- 111 - Yeah.
- 112 Congratulations.
- 113 It is my pleasure to inform you that you've won the Nobel Prize in being suckers...!
- 114 His Swedish accent was very convincing.
- 115 (ringtone playing)
- 116 (gasps) This is it!
- 117 What do you want, Howard?
- 118 We were just calling to see if you'd heard yet.
- 119 We haven't.
- 120 But thank you for getting up so early to call.

- 121 That was very thoughtful.
- 122 Oh, please. We have two little kids.
- 123 We've been up for an hour.
- 124 WOLOWITZ: Did anyone get to slap Sheldon?
- 125 No.
- 126 Okay, well, call us when you hear.
- 127 All right, now what?
- 128 Oh, why don't we play a game to pass the time?
- 129 Here. Uh, I am thinking of a number.
- 130 Hint: it's a cube of a cube of a prime.
- 131 There's an infinite number of possibilities.
- 132 What, you got somewhere to be?
- 133 (ringtone playing)
- 134 Oh. That's me.
- 135 Hello?
- 136 Yes, this is Dr. Fowler.
- 137 I see.
- 138 Okay, thank you.
- 139 We won.
- 140 (gasps)
- 141 Congratulations!
- 142 Oh, my God!
- 143 - We did it.
- 144 -I know.
- 145 Can you believe it?
- 146 (gasps)
- 147 That's a good point.
- 148 What if I'm dreaming?
- 149 (yelps)
- 150 We won the Nobel Prize!
- 151 (screaming)
- 152 Our whole universe was in a hot, dense state
- 153 Then nearly billion years ago expansion started... Wait!
- 154 The Earth began to cool
- 155 The autotrophs began to drool, Neanderthals developed tools
- 156 We built the Wall
- 157 We built the pyramids
- 158 Math, Science, History, unraveling the mystery
- 159 That all started with a big bang
- 160 Bang!
- 161 And how does it feel to be married to a Nobel Prize winner?
- 162 You tell me.
- 163 Oh. Amy-centric—what a fun way to look at it.
- 164 I think so.
- 165 You would. That makes sense.
- 166 (phone vibrates)

- 167 Ooh.
- 168 Aw. It's a congratulations text from my meemaw.
- 169 (phone vibrates) Ooh. Oh, and there's one from my mom.
- 170 (phone vibrates)
- 171 And my sister.
- 172 (phone vibrates)
- 173 Oh, and my brother.
- 174 (phone vibrates)
- 175 And my brother's ex-wife.
- 176 (phone vibrates)
- 177 My brother's other ex-wife.
- 178 Boy, they don't tell you when you win a Nobel it chews up your phone battery.
- 179 (phone vibrates)
- 180 AMY: Oh, that's me.
- 181 It's CVS.
- 182 My prescription's ready.
- 183 (phone vibrates)
- 184 Oh, and also my dad.
- 185 He says congratulations and he loves me.
- 186 Nothing about me?
- 187 (phone vibrates)
- 188 Oh.
- 189 Oh, it's your dad. I'm good.
- 190 You know, when you think about it, now that we're Nobel Prize winners, our names will be linked together forever.
- 191 We're married.
- 192 Our names are already linked together forever.
- 193 Oh, please. That's just a piece of paper.
- 194 This is a piece of paper and a medal.
- 195 AMY: It's weird.
- 196 I don't really feel different, but I guess our lives will never be the same.
- 197 Oh, I don't know. We're going to work like always.
- 198 I still put my pants on both legs at a time.
- 199 One day that's gonna end very badly.
- 200 (reporters shouting)
- 201 Congratulations.
- 202 How does it feel?
- 203 Okay, w-we're happy to answer your questions, Just, um, one at a time, please?
- 204 REPORTER: Dr. Cooper!
- 205 Is Dr. Cooper coming back?
- 206 No. Next question.
- 207 (reporters shouting)
- 208 Was it your left hand or your right hand?
- 209 Right.

- 210 Spit actually flew out of his mouth.
- 211 SIEBERT: Hey, fellas.
- 212 Can you do me a favor?
- 213 Do we have a choice?
- 214 Ha-ha!
- 215 No.
- 216 Sheldon and Amy are now officially superstars, and the press will be reaching out to their family and friends for comment.
- 217 So that we're all on the same page, the word we're gonna use to describe them is "quirky."
- 218 And not quirky. More like quirky.
- 219 So not Mr. and Mrs. Wackadoodle?
- 220 SIEBERT: Ho-ho-ho!
- 221 You bitter, envious little man.
- 222 Thank you so much.
- 223 And what do we call that?
- 224 - Quirky. Quirky.
- 225 - Quirky.
- 226 Dr. Cooper, can I get a minute of your time?
- 227 Hello?
- 228 Hey.
- 229 - Can I help you?
- 230 - Uh, yeah, actually.
- 231 Um, I had an appointment to interview Dr. Cooper about the Nobel.
- 232 Hang on a second.
- 233 Sheldon?
- 234 Sorry, he's not here.
- 235 Damn. I've got a deadline.
- 236 I don't know if it helps you at all, but I'm his best friend in the whole world.
- 237 Really?
- 238 And an astronaut. Come on, you can buy me a cup of coffee, and I'll tell you about both.
- 239 (Amy sobbing)
- 240 Everyone okay in there?
- 241 Go away!
- 242 Amy?
- 243 Raj, please, not now.
- 244 Hey, what's wrong?
- 245 My picture's all over the Internet, and I look terrible.
- 246 No. Let me see.
- 247 Well, that is an unfortunate angle.
- 248 But who cares?
- 249 You just won the Nobel.
- 250 You should be proud of this moment.
- 251 I know I shouldn't care about how I look, and I never thought I did.

- 252 It-It's stupid and shallow, but I just can't help it.
- 253 Am I really this frumpy?
- 254 No. No, you are a beautiful woman.
- 255 By the way, if you're not happy with those pictures, then make some changes.
- 256 Get a haircut, new clothes, new glasses, big glasses...
- 257 No glasses—then you won't be able to see those pictures.
- 258 Sounds expensive.
- 259 Excuse me, i-if I'm not mistaken, the Nobel comes with a substantial cash prize.
- 260 What were you gonna spend it on?
- 261 Hadn't really thought about it.
- 262 Sheldon's got his eyes on some new Dockers.
- 263 Come on. Do something for yourself.
- 264 Well, I suppose I could get a haircut.
- 265 And some makeup and a new wardrobe and a little thank you gift for your shopping buddy if we see something he likes. Come on.
- 266 Where are we going?
- 267 Beverly Hills, where the things he likes are.
- 268 Dinner ready?
- 269 Not unless you cooked.
- 270 Why is this article about Sheldon all about you?
- 271 Let me see.
- 272 Oh, good, they used my NASA picture.
- 273 Why does it say that you're his best friend?
- 274 Leonard's his best friend.
- 275 No. Leonard has always been kind of a monkey butler.
- 276 Whenever Sheldon got into a scrape, I was his go-to guy.
- 277 (chuckles)
- 278 When did he get into a scrape?
- 279 You're kidding, right?
- 280 W- Remember when he had a panic attack
- 281 'cause his hand got stuck in a jar of olives?
- 282 I was the one who told him to let go of the olives.
- 283 Please, that doesn't make you his best friend.
- 284 (chuckles)
- 285 You know, that reporter asked me if I could put him in touch with...
- 286 Amy's best friend.
- 287 That's Penny.
- 288 (singsongy):
- 289 Doesn't have to be.
- 290 Hmm.
- 291 What kind of tea is appropriate for winning a Nobel Prize and now everything is changing and you feel unmoored from reality?
- 292 I don't know. Earl Grey?
- 293 You know, this is something I've wanted my whole life.

- 294 But I guess I never considered how everything would be different.
- 295 Buddy, I-I know it all feels overwhelming right now, but I promise you, things will settle down.
- 296 There's no Earl Grey!
- 297 You filthy liar!
- 298 (knocking at door)
- 299 Hey, is Penny here?
- 300 No. Why?
- 301 I wanted to show her my latest creation.
- 302 I give you...
- 303 Dr. Amy Farrah Fowler.
- 304 Wow. Amy, you look amazing.
- 305 Thank you.
- 306 Sheldon, what do you think?
- 307 I like you better the way you were.
- 308 But she looks beautiful!
- 309 Classic lines, colors that complement her skin tone, and hair that goes from "office" to "on the town" in minutes.
- 310 I don't care.
- 311 Put it back.
- 312 I like the way I look.
- 313 Well, I don't!
- 314 (door opens)
- 315 My fault.
- 316 I was out of Earl Grey.
- 317 (clears throat)
- 318 Sheldon, that was really rude.
- 319 I'm sorry. Amy is the one constant I can count on, and now she's changing.
- 320 It's just a haircut and some clothes.
- 321 No, it's the last straw!
- 322 I can't take any more!
- 323 (elevator bell dings)
- 324 Can you believe it?
- 325 They finally fixed the elevator.
- 326 This is a nightmare.
- 327 What's with him?
- 328 He won a Nobel Prize, and his wife looks amazing.
- 329 Oh. Yeah, got it.
- 330 (panting)
- 331 (gasping, panting)
- 332 How did you get down here?
- 333 The elevator. It's really fast.
- 334 I-I need to be alone right now.
- 335 Don't try to follow me.
- 336 All right.
- 337 You need a ride?

- 338 That'd be great.
- 339 Thank you.
- 340 I should've seen this coming.
- 341 Oh, stop. You're allowed to get a haircut.
- 342 I know.
- 343 But I should've done it gradually.
- 344 You know, like... maybe tiny haircuts over a ten-year period.
- 345 Okay, you need to focus on the positive.
- 346 You won a Nobel Prize.
- 347 I slapped Sheldon.
- 348 A lot of dreams came true today.
- 349 You know, you're right.
- 350 This is a huge day for me, and I'm allowed to enjoy it without worrying how it's going to affect my husband.
- 351 Is it me or did it just get fierce in here?
- 352 All this change is just too much.
- 353 The reporters, the attention at work, and now even Amy's changed.
- 354 Whoa, whoa, whoa.
- 355 - Slow down.
- 356 - I'm playing a drinking game.
- 357 Every time you say the word "change,"
- 358 I take a slug.
- 359 Are you gonna be able to drive me home?
- 360 Mm. Not unless you change the subject.
- 361 Huh. Now I said it.
- 362 Meh. Hmm.
- 363 You know, you're the only person who could win the biggest prize in science and still be upset about it.
- 364 It's just... all the times I thought about winning,
- 365 I never thought about how it would ch– affect my life.
- 366 I'm sorry, I'm genuinely concerned about your liver.
- 367 (chuckles):
- 368 Okay.
- 369 Fine, I'll stop playing.
- 370 You know, you go on and on about wanting things to stay the same, but you've changed a lot since I met you.
- 371 Oh, you are a mean drunk.
- 372 I'm serious.
- 373 You have a ton of friends, you got married, moved into a new apartment, you wore a baseball hat that one time.
- 374 Heck, you've had s\*x almost as many times as I have fingers.
- 375 More.
- 376 W...
- 377 By this many.
- 378 You dog!
- 379 It was the Avengers trailer.

- 380 Oh.
- 381 Mm-hmm.
- 382 You know, I've grown, too.
- 383 I used to be the bartender back there.
- 384 - That's true.
- 385 And now there is a completely different woman who botched my drink order.
- 386 How hard is 387 Well, judging by the look on her face, it's at least one percent saliva.
- 388 I do take your point.
- 389 You know, you're also married, you have a successful career, you no longer dress like you're trying to attract sailors by the wharf.
- 390 So, I guess the only thing that actually stays the same is that things are always changing.
- 391 Interesting.
- 392 So you're saying the inevitability of change might be a universal constant.
- 393 Well, there's a little more to it than that, but, yeah, sure.
- 394 Oh. Hey, look, that's Bernadette.
- 395 I can't tell you how many times Dr. Fowler was gonna give up and I would say to her, "Amy, as your best friend, I'm not gonna let you quit."
- 396 Okay, I'm drinking again.
- 397 I'll join you. Waitress, uh, 398 WOLOWITZ: Let me tell you about the time
- 399 Mr. Nobel Laureate wanted olives...
- 400 (laughs)
- 401 This is a good one.
- 402 You know what, /!
- 403 You know, I like the way my hair looks.
- 404 I'm done tiptoeing around him.
- 405 We're all guilty of it.
- 406 But why?
- 407 'Cause we were afraid to upset him.
- 408 Which happens anyway.
- 409 Well, that's over.
- 410 I'm-I'm done enabling him.
- 411 Like, this is his spot and-and the thermostat has to be set to his comfort level, even though he doesn't even live here anymore and I'm always chilly.
- 412 Is that why you wear a hoodie all the time?
- 413 Why would- Yes!
- 414 To accommodate Sheldon!
- 415 And what-what about this-this thing?
- 416 Why is it here?
- 417 I'll tell you why.
- 418 Because it was here when I moved in, and, for no earthly reason, he forbade me to touch it.
- 419 Well, if you don't like it, get rid of it.

- 420 Put it in the closet.
- 421 You know what, I will.
- 422 I bet that's the reason.
- 423 Hang on.
- 424 What do you think?
- 425 Want to give it a try?
- 426 (elevator bell dings)
- 427 Well, you know, the elevator did work when I moved into the building.
- 428 So going up and down the stairs was a change, which means this would actually be a return to the status quo.
- 429 - But, conversely, I think...
- 430 - Get in!
- 431 SHELDON: This is wild.
- 432 Carbon.
- 433 Hydrogen.
- 434 Carbon.
- 435 Carbon.
- 436 And last but not least,
- 437 carbon.
- 438 This might be the glue talking, but that was a very pleasurable and a half hours.
- 439 Agreed.
- 440 What kind of DNA is this, anyway?
- 441 I was trying to design the genetic code of an advanced race of human being.
- 442 One of my rare failures, actually.
- 443 What went wrong?
- 444 The balls kept sticking to my pants.
- 445 Let's just let it dry.
- 446 - Hi. Hello.
- 447 - Hey, babe.
- 448 Oh. don't slam the...
- 449 Don't slam the...
- 450 (gasps)
- 451 That was exhilarating.
- 452 - You pick up your dresses?
- 453 AMY: Yep.
- 454 The tailor had to take mine in and let Penny's out.
- 455 Best day of my life.
- 456 What about the day you met me?
- 457 I stand by my statement.
- 458 Well, thank you guys so much for the clothes and the shoes, the plane tickets.
- 459 You've been so generous.
- 460 Well, it's important that all of our friends get to share this moment with us.

- 461 And then for years to come, you can tell others you had a front-row seat to history.
- 462 Although, technically,
- 463 I think your seats are in the second row.
- 464 Do you want to go back to the apartment and see me try on my dress?
- 465 Shouldn't I see it for the first time at the Nobel ceremony?
- 466 It's not a wedding.
- 467 Okay. Well, give me a minute to think of another reason I don't want to see it.
- 468 How about this—you can practice your acceptance speech while I try on the dress.
- 469 Ah, great. You can help me whittle it down to minutes.
- 470 Was Amy suspicious when they had to let your dress out?
- 471 No. She was so happy, she didn't even question it.
- 472 Someone's gonna figure it out.
- 473 Why don't we just tell people?
- 474 No, it's too early.
- 475 I haven't even wrapped my head around it.
- 476 - I have. My head is wrapped.
- 477 - Yeah, well... if something else had been wrapped, we wouldn't be in this situation.
- 478 Excuse me, but if I recall, you're the one who went out drinking with Sheldon, then came home and attacked me.
- 479 Attacked you? I said, "Do you wanna?"
- 480 Yeah.
- 481 - I was helpless.
- 482 -Uh-huh.
- 483 So...
- 484 (laughs): do you wanna?
- 485 - Well, I can't get more pregnant.
- 486 - Mm-hmm.
- 487 We'll see about that.
- 488 Our whole universe was in a hot, dense state
- 489 Then nearly billion years ago expansion started... Wait!
- 490 The Earth began to cool
- 491 The autotrophs began to drool, Neanderthals developed tools
- 492 We built the Wall
- 493 We built the pyramids
- 494 Math, Science, History, unraveling the mystery
- 495 That all started with a big bang
- 496 Bang!
- 497 Now, Michael, Mommy and Daddy are going away for a couple days, so if you're gonna say your first words, you got to do it now or wait till we get back.
- 498 WOLOWITZ: Somebody just peed in the big girl potty.
- 499 BERNADETTE: Oh, I'm so proud!
- 500 It was her, right?

- 501 Yes.
- 502 You still feel good about leaving them with Stuart and Denise for a couple days?
- 503 I guess. I just hope we don't miss Michael's first words.
- 504 Or Stuart's last words.
- 505 You realize it's been years since we've got away just the two of us.
- 506 I know. I can't wait.
- 507 Fancy hotel room.
- 508 The big bed.
- 509 Yeah. We're gonna sleep our asses off.
- 510 You really think walking her is gonna help me meet girls?
- 511 Cinnamon is chick bait.
- 512 Good. 'Cause I'm not.
- 513 Just remember, you're in charge.
- 514 Don't let her pull you.
- 515 That seems like an unnecessary thing to say.
- 516 And please, if you have any problems, any questions, call me immediately, okay?
- 517 She's my baby.
- 518 It shouldn't come up, but just in case: where could I buy a dog that looks exactly like her?
- 519 Kidding. If she dies, I'll just tell you.
- 520 Ready?
- 521 Oh. Hang on.
- 522 Go.
- 523 "Your majesties, members of the Nobel Academy-
- 524 "when I was a young boy growing up in East Texas
- 525 "I always knew I'd wind up on this stage,
- 526 "and everybody who said I wouldn't looks
- 527- "pretty darn foolish right now. I'm talking about you, high school science teacher Mr. Hubert Givens..."
- 528 Sheldon, Sheldon.
- 529 Why are you talking so fast?
- 530 I'm trying to get my speech down to minutes.
- 531 Nobody's gonna be able to understand a word you're saying.
- 532 Welcome to my life.
- 533 I think you need to do some editing, like may be cut out all that stuff about your childhood.
- 534 Are you kidding? Growing up in the backwoods of East Texas is what makes me warm and relatable.
- 535 Well, what about all these pages calling out everyone who said you wouldn't succeed?
- 536 I told them all they would rue the day.
- 537 How is it gonna make me look if the day finally comes, and they're not filled with rue?
- 538 Sheldon, this isn't about ruing.

- 539 This is about... humbly accepting a great honor.
- 540 Amy, we won the Nobel Prize in Physics.
- 541 Humility is for people who win the goofy Nobels like Literature, Economics and Peace.
- 542 Please tell me that's not in your speech.
- 543 Oh. I can cut it, but it's the only joke I have.
- 544 All right, bagels down.
- 545 Before we head to the airport, I'd like to go over a few things.
- 546 (others groaning)
- 547 From the moment we step off the plane, each and every one of you is an ambassador for Amy and myself.
- 548 (quietly): I told you these tickets weren't free.
- 549 As such, your behavior must reflect the highest standards.
- 550 Uh, Raj. Bagel down.
- 551 If my blood sugar drops and I get bitchy, it's on you.
- 552 Amy, why don't you kick us off.
- 553 Thank you.
- 554 "The challenging climate of Scandinavia
- 555 "has left its mark on the Swedish character.
- 556 "These dour, latter-day Vikings
- 557 "are slow to warm up to strangers,
- 558 "but if you follow a few easy steps, a Swede can be your friend for life."
- 559 SHELDON: "Number one,
- 560 "in Sweden, punctuality is taken very seriously.
- 561 "In other words, the loosey-goosey attitude in Helsinki will not fly in Stockholm."
- 562 AMY: "Two, at the beginning
- 563 "and end of all business and social meetings,
- 564 "shake hands with everyone present- men, women and children."
- 565 Yes, you're all encouraged to pair off and practice this once we're in the air and the seat belt sign is off.
- 566 Yes, Penny?
- 567 Oh.
- 568 Do we have to go?
- 569 Yes. And a reminder, Penny, there's free alcohol in business class– don't abuse it.
- 570 Relax. I'm not gonna drink.
- 571 Why? You pregnant?
- 572 (laughs): Wha...? No.
- 573 No, I just, you know, I don't like to drink when I fly.
- 574 Please. I've seen you drink in the shower.
- 575 You guys have showered together?
- 576 Sometimes you're just...
- 577 ech.
- 578 That wasn't a no.
- 579 (chuckles)

- 580 SHELDON: All right, well, we should head out now if we're gonna get to the airport six hours before boarding.
- 581 Excuse me. Hello?
- 582 What did we just learn about the end of business meetings?
- 583 Oh, my God.
- 584 (others groaning)
- 585 (all grumbling)
- 586 Yeah, great. Whatever. Uh-huh.
- 587 Go on.
- 588 You first. Go.
- 589 AMY: Wait.
- 590 BERNADETTE: Help me!
- 591 Oh.
- 592 Help me!
- 593 Oh, wait. Come here.
- 594 We got this.
- 595 Yeah, get in, get in, get in.
- 596 (yelling)
- 597 Hang on.
- 598 I've-I've got an idea.
- 599 (bell dings)
- 600 Well done. You know, you're proving to be an invaluable part of my entourage.
- 601 Cool.
- 602 Yeah?
- 603 - How you doing?
- 604 - Fine. Why?
- 605 Well, this is the furthest we've ever been away from the kids.
- 606 I was just checking to see if you're okay.
- 607 I'm on my second Jack Reacher. I'm doing great.
- 608 Good. Me, too.
- 609 I was just looking at the map.
- 610 Couldn't help thinking: we're here and they're there, and if anything happened, we'd have to go here to get all the way back there.
- 611 Why are you trying to freak me out?
- 612 This is our vacation.
- 613 I thought we should do things together.
- 614 Howard, the kids are okay.
- 615 How do you know that?
- 616 I just know.
- 617 A mother knows.
- 618 So what, now the Force is with you?
- 619 Let's see.
- 620 This is not the woman you want to annoy.
- 621 - Howard. Howard.
- 622 - What?

- 623 You see the woman sitting next to me?
- 624 What about her?
- 625 Is this her?
- 626 Buffy the Vampire Slayer?
- 627 Shh! Be cool.
- 628 - No, that's not her.
- 629 - Okav.
- 630 How about now?
- 631 Uh-oh.
- 632 That's the fourth time she's been to the bathroom in the last two hours.
- 633 So?
- 634 Her breakfast was binding. I made sure of that.
- 635 - So?
- 636 - So she clearly has some sort of stomach distress.
- 637 If it's viral, we're all susceptible.
- 638 She's probably just airsick.
- 639 Yeah, but what if she's not?
- 640 What if we get what she has?
- 641 What if we infect the King of Sweden?
- 642 That's how wars start.
- 643 All right, that's it, this is Outbreak and she's the monkey.
- 644 (quietly):
- 645 Wait. Stop.
- 646 Be reasonable.
- 647 Leonard... we need to do something about your wife.
- 648 - What's the matter?
- 649 - She is clearly sick, and she's gonna take us all down with her.
- 650 She's not sick, Sheldon.
- 651 She is, and I'm gonna catch it, and it's gonna ruin the greatest day of my
- 652 I promise you're not going to get what she has.
- 653 What's going on?
- 654 (gasps)
- 655 Unclean! Unclean!
- 656 What?
- 657 He thinks you're sick.
- 658 Oh.
- 659 Should we tell him?
- 660 Well, if we don't, he might try and jump out of the plane.
- 661 - Yeah.
- 662 Doesn't answer my question.
- 663 Tell me what?
- 664 (sighs)
- 665 I'm pregnant, Sheldon.
- 666 You're right, I can't catch that.
- 667 (groans)

- 668 Good news, Amy.
- 669 She's just pregnant.
- 670 Are you kidding me?
- 671 You just found out that a woman who has loved and cared for you for years is pregnant, and all you can say is you're relieved that she's not gonna get you sick?
- 672 There's no need for a recap.
- 673 I was there.
- 674 - Why didn't you tell me?
- 675 - I didn't tell anybody.
- 676 I'm not anybody.
- 677 I'm your best friend.
- 678 - What's going on?
- 679 - She's pregnant.
- 680 That's fantastic!
- 681 Why didn't you tell me?
- 682 She didn't tell me, either.
- 683 But I'm her best friend.
- 684 (chuckles) We'll get into that later.
- 685 What happened to "I'm never gonna have kids"?
- 686 It was an accident. I went out drinking with Sheldon.
- 687 (gasps) Oh, my gosh.
- 688 We're sister wives?
- 689 No. Then I went home and slept with Leonard.
- 690 - While fantasizing about...
- 691 - Leonard.
- 692 And a little Idris Elba.
- 693 - I mean, ah...
- 694 - Oh, yeah.
- 695 What would you like me to say?
- 696 How about congratulating us?
- 697 Are congratulations even in order?
- 698 I didn't think Penny wanted children.
- 699 Well, she didn't, now she does. And just so you know, we weren't gonna tell anybody
- 700 so we wouldn't upstage your big day.
- 701 Oh, please, you couldn't upstage us.
- 702 We won a Nobel Prize.
- 703 Any idiot can have a baby.
- 704 Hey. What's going on?
- 705 Case in point.
- 706 You are a selfish jerk.
- 707 To hell with you and your Nobel Prize.
- 708 I found her boarding pass in her purse.
- 709 It's totally her.
- 710 Hi, Stuart, just checking in.

- 711 Seeing if everything's okay.
- 712 Oh, yeah, we're having fun.
- 713 Me, Halley and Denise played hide-and-seek all day.
- 714 - Oh, that's nice.
- 715 STUART: Yeah.
- 716 I found Denise right away.
- 717 Where was Halley hiding?
- 718 Uh, the important thing is she's not there now.
- 719 Okay, so, everyone's happy and healthy?
- 720 Well, that depends.
- 721 What's that mean?
- 722 Uh, how many teeth did Halley have when you left?
- 723 All of them.
- 724 Oh, yeah, that's-that's what I was afraid of.
- 725 What happened?
- 726 Um, well, all right.
- 727 Um, Michael had a little fever last night.
- 728 Michael had a fever?
- 729 Do you want to hear about Halley or not?
- 730 What happened, Stuart?
- 731 He was running a little fever, nothing to worry about.
- 732 And Halley, bless her heart, wanted to bring him his boo-boo bear, so she climbed over the safety rail and took a little tumble down the stairs.
- 733 She fell down the stairs?!
- 734 (stammers)
- 735 She rolled down the stairs, laughing the whole time.
- 736 (chuckles)
- 737 Anyway, when she got to the bottom, there was a tooth missing.
- 738 Oh, Stuart!
- 739 She's fine!
- 740 She thought it was funny.
- 741 Did you at least save it for the tooth fairy?
- 742 No, we couldn't find it.
- 743 We have a theory about where it is, but it'll take six to eight hours to confirm.
- 744 Speaking of which, where do you keep the spaghetti strainer?
- 745 Come on, you didn't seriously expect him to react like a normal human being.
- 746 No, but still, a-after all these years, after all the crap I've put up with, you'd think just this once he'd care about someone else's feelings.
- 747 - Oh, my God!
- 748 - What?
- 749 Pickled herring. Who knew how good it was!
- 750 Really?
- 751 Sounds gross.
- 752 Looks gross. Smells gross.

- 753 It's delicious!
- 754 (knock on door)
- 755 Ooh, that might be my salted cod!
- 756 What?
- 757 Sheldon has something he'd like to say.
- 758 SHELDON: I'm sorry I didn't react appropriately.
- 759 You and Penny are bringing new life into the world.
- 760 Congratulations. I can't wait to meet it.
- 761 - "It"?
- 762 - That's a gender-neutral pronoun.
- 763 If you're offended, take it up with the English language.
- 764 Oh, good, you're here.
- 765 Listen, we're thinking maybe we should go back to L.A.
- 766 - Why?
- 767 - We just can't be this far away from the kids.
- 768 Bernie's having a meltdown, and, frankly, so am I.
- 769 SHELDON: Yeah, well, pull it together. This is a big day for me.
- 770 (scoffs) Yeah, I wasn't sure what to do.
- 771 Now I am. We're going home.
- 772 - We'll join you.
- 773 PENNY: Oh, wait.
- 774 Do I get a vote in this?
- 775 They'll have pickled herring on the plane.
- 776 Bye-bye.
- 777 Well, I hate to say it, but I think everyone is being incredibly selfish.
- 778 Well, you would be the authority on the subject.
- 779 What does that mean?
- 780 Sheldon, no one is happier than I am to win the Nobel.
- 781 But it's not more important than our friends.
- 782 How can you call them friends when they're abandoning us?
- 783 They're abandoning us because you broke their hearts.
- 784 - I didn't mean to.
- 785 - I know!
- 786 You never mean to.
- 787 That's the only reason people tolerate you!
- 788 Does that include you?
- 789 Sometimes, yeah.
- 790 (Penny retching)
- 791 (toilet flushes)
- 792 (Penny groans)
- 793 Okay, that's it for the fish.
- 794 We'll be back with the meatballs after a short word from our sponsor.
- 795 Oh, thank you.
- 796 (groans)
- 797 Leonard, I can't go home.
- 798 - I have to be there for Amy.

- 799 - Yeah.
- 800 I was thinking that, too.
- 801 As angry as I am at Sheldon, I still want to see him win that medal.
- 802 It's so strange.
- 803 No matter how thoughtless and selfish he is, I still love him.
- 804 If you think about it, he has kind of been our practice kid.
- 805 Like when you make pancakes and the first one comes out a little wonky.
- 806 The university prefers "quirky."
- 807 (chuckles)
- 808 (phone rings)
- 809 Hello.
- 810 Hey. It's Howard.
- 811 Oh, us, too.
- 812 - Wait, what?
- 813 - They're gonna stay.
- 814 The kids are fine.
- 815 Bernie's parents took over.
- 816 Really?
- 817 Oh, poor little guy.
- 818 Is Michael okay?
- 819 Yeah, it's Stuart.
- 820 Bernie's dad gave him a hug, cracked a rib.
- 821 Yeah. Okay, we'll meet you in the lobby.
- 822 How long is it gonna take you to get ready?
- 823 Oh, I just need, like, five or ten minutes.
- 824 - Really?
- 825 - No. What is wrong with you?!
- 826 ANNOUNCER: And in the field of physics, Dr. Amy Farrah Fowler and
- Dr. Sheldon Cooper for their discovery of super-asymmetry.
- 827 (whistling)
- 828 (whoops)
- 829 (cheers)
- 830 (whooping)
- 831 Just to be clear, this isn't a date.
- 832 Yeah, I know.
- 833 Then why are you holding my hand?
- 834 Thank you, your majesties.
- 835 Thank you to the Nobel Committee.
- 836 We are deeply honored.
- 837 I would just like to take this moment to say to all the young girls out there who dream about science as a profession: go for it.
- 838 It is the greatest job in the world.
- 839 And if anybody tells you you can't, don't listen.
- 840 And now, speaking of not listening, my husband, Dr. Sheldon Cooper.
- 841 Sheldon.
- 842 What? Did you finish? Great job.

- 843 Thank you, Dr. Fowler.
- 844 I have a very long and somewhat self-centered speech here.
- 845 But I'd like to set it aside.
- 846 PENNY: Yeah!
- 847 WOLOWITZ: Way to go!
- 848 (whoops)
- 849 Because this honor doesn't just belong to me.
- 850 I wouldn't be up here if it weren't for some very important people in my life
- 851 Beginning with my mother, father, meemaw, brother and sister.
- 852 And my other family, who I'm so happy to have here with us.
- 853 Is that Buffy the Vampire Slayer?
- 854 I was under a misapprehension that my accomplishments were mine alone.
- 855 Nothing could be further from the truth.
- 856 I have been encouraged, sustained, inspired and tolerated not only by my
- wife, but by the greatest group of friends anyone ever had.
- 857 I'd like to ask them to stand.
- 858 Dr. Rajesh Koothrappali.
- 859 Dr. Bernadette Rostenkowski Wolowitz.
- 860 Astronaut Howard Wolowitz.
- 861 And my two dearest friends in the world, Penny Hofstadter...
- 862 ...and Dr. Leonard Hofstadter.
- 863 I was there the moment Leonard and Penny met.
- 864 He said to me that their babies would be smart and beautiful.
- 865 And now that they're expecting,
- 866 I have no doubt that that will be the case.
- 867 Thanks, Sheldon. I-I haven't told my parents yet, but thanks.
- 868 Oh. I'm sorry.
- 869 Don't tell anyone that last thing.
- 870 That's a secret.
- 871 Howard, Bernadette, Raj, Penny, Leonard,
- 872 I apologize if I haven't been the friend you deserve.
- 873 But I want you to know in my way, I love you all.
- 874 And I love you.
- 875 Thank you.
- 876 (applause)
- 877 Our whole universe was in a hot, dense state
- 878 Then nearly billion years ago
- 879 Expansion started... Wait
- 880 The Earth began to cool
- 881 The autotrophs began to drool, Neanderthals developed tools
- 882 We built a Wall, we built the pyramids
- 883 Math, Science, History
- 884 Unraveling the mystery
- 885 That all started with a big bang.

## 4.24 Episode 90: Unraveling The Mystery: A Big Bang Farewell

- 1 [BIRDS SINGING]
- 2 Broke into the old apartment
- 3 This is where we used to live
- 4 Broken windows, broke and hungry
- 5 Broken hearts and broken bones
- 6 This is where we used to live
- 7 Broke into the old apartment...
- 8 MAN: Ladies and gentlemen, here they are now.
- 9 KALEY CUOCO: You have made every single one of these episodes these years an absolute dream come true.
- 10 [APPLAUSE AND CHEERING]
- 11 Broke into the old apartment
- 12 This is where we used to live.
- 13 [BUZZER SOUNDS, INDISTINCT CHATTER]
- 14 Hi. I'm Kaley Cuoco, and I've played Penny for the last years on The Big Bang Theory.
- 15 And I'm Johnny Galecki. I've played Leonard Hofstadter.
- 16 - Come on, TV husband.
- 17 - Yes, ma'am.
- 18 Every show night, Johnny and I have walked to this rail, climbed ourselves up and thanked our studio audience for their love and support of this show.
- 19 But tonight, we want to thank you, the audience at home, without whom none of this would be possible.
- 20 You kept us here for over a decade in a job we absolutely adore.
- 21 So we want to take you behind the scenes of our very special show, The Big Bang, share some secrets, some special moments, as we say good-bye
- 22 [VOICE BREAKING]: to a place that's been our home for a long time.
- 23 GALECKI: This is Stage on the Warner Brothers lot in the exotic Burbank, California.
- 24 Earlier this year, it was officially renamed "The Big Bang Theory Stage".
- 25 I think it's only the fifth stage in the history of Warner Brothers that's been named after a show, right?
- 26 - That was a really special day.
- 27 That was a good day.
- 28 We've done so many crazy set-ups.
- 29 - [PINGING]
- 30 - [HONKING, REVVING]
- 31 GALECKI: It's been a desert.
- 32 - A casino, hotel rooms.
- 33 - Planetarium.
- 34 The wedding rooftop, International Space Station.
- 35 Do you remember when I asked you where the International Space Station was?

- 36 [LAUGHS]
- 37 GALECKI: I was excited to have the Dagobah set here.
- 38 As a kid, I was a huge Star Wars fan.
- 39 And then to have Bob Newhart was just incredible.
- 40 When Obi-Wan came to Luke, he gave him all sorts of helpful advice, so, um, what do you got for me?
- 41 Always...get... get a prenup.
- 42 CUOCO: Remember our car scenes?
- 43 So cars are set up here.
- 44 MAN: Action!
- 45 - Leonard, where are you going?
- 46 - Well, to work.
- 47 So, when the live studio audience is-is here, we would simulate the car scenes, and then, record their laughter, so that the laughter was genuine when the show would air.
- 48 [APPLAUSE AND CHEERING]
- 49 CUOCO: Our week starts on Wednesday.
- 50 That's our table reads.
- 51 GALECKI: We gather around a big table and read it aloud for the first time.
- 52 And do you read yours right when you get it Tuesday nights?
- 53 Immediately, yeah, out of respect for the writers.
- 54 We're aware of the weeks, if not months, of hard work they put into the script, and we're gonna show up and read it cold?
- 55 I read it cold every week.
- 56 - [LAUGHS] That's not true.
- 57 That's a 58 Table reads are awesome, 'cause I laugh so hard.
- 59 I watched the news today.
- 60 Has the whole world gone mad?
- 61 [LAUGHTER]
- 62 - CUOCO: Hi.
- 63 - GALECKI: Hi.
- 64 - Hi.
- 65 - [LAUGHING]: Hi.
- 66 - Oh, hi.
- 67 - Hi.
- 68 - Hi. Hi.
- 69 - Hi.
- 70 Hi?
- 71 I just remember you and Jim
- 72 - and this visual of this duo.
- 73 - I hope so.
- 74 - Oh, really?
- 75 - Yeah, and I was like...
- 76 I just was so excited to be part of whatever was going on with the two of you.

- 77 - Should we have invited her for lunch?
- 78 - No.
- 79 We're gonna start season two of Battlestar Galactica.
- 80 We already watched the season two DVDs.
- 81 Not with commentary.
- 82 I remember Jim and I getting a piece of furniture up the stair.
- 83 And I remember the audience laughing at a place where we didn't...
- 84 - Expect.
- 85 - Expect.
- 86 I don't have this. I don't have this!
- 87 Help me out! You don't have this.
- 88 And then, we kind of locked eyes, like, "Oh, this is interesting and fun".
- 89 Like, they're on the ride with us. They...
- 90 These characters. The show hadn't aired yet, and they understood the fight to these guys.
- 91 Ah, gravity... thou art a heartless bitch.
- 92 So much has happened in this apartment.
- 93 - Amy got her tiara.
- 94 - [LAUGHING]: Yeah.
- 95 Oh, it's a tiara!
- 96 A tiara. I have a tiara!
- 97 Put it on me. Put it on me.
- 98 Put it on me. Put it on me.
- 99 Put it on me. Put it on me.
- 100 Put it on me.
- 101 You look beautiful.
- 102 Of course I do! I'm a princess, and this is my tiara!
- 103 The Penny-Amy painting.
- 104 I wanted to get you something you didn't have.
- 105 CUOCO: We were laughing so hard, it took us about a good two minutes till we could actually say the dialogue.
- 106 We were just... The tears were, like, coming down.
- 107 That painting will haunt me.
- 108 Remember the scene where we were sitting here, very early on?
- 109 We were getting... We were drunk.
- 110 Not drunk in real life, but it was this...
- 111 And we got to...
- 112 - We were passing the lime back and forth.
- 113 - GALECKI: Yeah.
- 114 Aah!
- 115 Where's the lime?
- 116 [BOTH LAUGHING]
- 117 Okay. We're sharing.
- 118 [AUDIENCE WHOOPING]
- 119 A lot of slumber parties with the girls.
- 120 [SHRIEKS]: Oh!

- 121 Pillow fight!
- 122 Ooh, all the girls reading comic books, sitting here.
- 123 How'd you guys finish so fast?
- 124 I don't know, there were a lot of pictures and one page only had the word "Brakadoom".
- 125 W-Why was that?
- 126 CUOCO: We were trying to understand you guys.
- 127 [LAUGHS]
- 128 Which is the theme of the whole show.
- 129 - There was a lot of action...
- 130 - Mm.
- 131 ... and the story moved along at a brisk pace.
- 132 It was, overall... what's the word I'm looking for?
- 133 - Stupid?
- 134 - So stupid.
- 135 Oh, remember the scene where Sheldon sleeps over and I have to sing him
- "Soft Kitty"?
- 136 Soft kitty, warm kitty
- 137 Little ball of fur
- 138 Happy kitty...
- 139 Um...
- 140 Sleepy kitty.
- 141 - Sleepy kitty...
- 142 - No.
- 143 Start over.
- 144 Another favorite of mine is when Penny breaks her shoulder in-in the shower and Sheldon has to dress me.
- 145 Hey, you got to help me get my arm into the sleeve.
- 146 Okay.
- 147 Is that my arm?
- 148 When you think of The Big Bang Theory, you think of food.
- 149 Did you remember to ask for the chicken with broccoli
- 150 - to be diced, not shredded?
- 151 - Yes.
- 152 - Brown rice, not white?
- 153 - Yes.
- 154 Did you stop at the Korean grocery
- 155 - and get the good hot mustard?
- 156 - Yes.
- 157 Did you pick up the low sodium soy sauce from the market?
- 158 - Yes.
- 159 - Thank you.
- 160 You're welcome.
- 161 What took you so long?
- 162 - It's kind of what bonded these characters.
- 163 - Yeah.

- 164 They eat. They sit down and eat together.
- 165 Quick poll: PS or Xbox One?
- 166 - Rai?
- 167 - Uh, Xbox One.
- 168 - Penny?
- 169 - Huh?
- 170 - Leonard?
- 171 - PS.
- 172 - Wolowitz?
- 173 - Both great.
- 174 - Bernadette?
- 175 - I like the Wii.
- 176 Thanks, Grandma.
- 177 Where do we start with guest stars?
- 178 We've had so many amazing people.
- 179 - John Ross Bowie as Kripke.
- 180 - I'm making tea.
- 181 Would you like a cup?
- 182 Am I wearing a summer frock?
- 183 No, I don't want tea.
- 184 Brian Posehn.
- 185 - H-Him and his geology.
- 186 - [CHUCKLING]
- 187 Thanks for coming to the Mineral and Rock Show with me.
- 188 GALECKI: Keith Carradine as your dad.
- 189 - That was a big deal for me.
- 190 - CUOCO: Oh.
- 191 Katey Sagal as my mom.
- 192 - Miss Baranski. Oh.
- 193 - Laurie Metcalf.
- 194 Let's all remember what it says in the Bible.
- 195 "He who is slow to anger is better than the mighty".
- 196 Oh, dear woman, can you please read another book?
- 197 When God writes one, I will.
- 198 Adam West. Batman finally came to your party.
- 199 Happy birthday, Sherman.
- 200 GALECKI: James Earl Jones.
- 201 Let me guess.
- 202 You like Star Wars.
- 203 - CUOCO: Billy Bob Thornton.
- 204 - Does Penny live here?
- 205 May I ask why?
- 206 Well, uh, I-I met her at my office.
- 207 She winked at me a-and, uh...
- 208 I, I-I came hoping to initiate a romantic relationship.
- 209 - Stephen Hawking, of course.

- 210 - Oh.
- 211 You made an arithmetic mistake on page two.
- 212 It was quite the boner.
- 213 I had to actually say the line...
- 214 He's the wheelchair dude who invented time.
- 215 - He's right there watching the rehearsal.
- 216 - Mm-hmm.
- 217 And I say this line, I just look at him like, "I'm so sorry".
- 218 He thought it was so funny.
- 219 - But he was right there.
- 220 - I remember Simon being... very nervous to do his impersonation.
- 221 I would not do your Stephen Hawking impression in front of him.
- 222 I suppose that could be
- 223 - considered offensive.
- 224 - [LAUGHTER]
- 225 Speaking of Simon's impersonations.
- 226 Oh, his Pacino.
- 227 [GRUFF]: You're playing DD.
- 228 You're playing DD.
- 229 This whole apartment...
- 230 ... is playing DD. Hah.
- 231 CUOCO: Shatner and Manganiello.
- 232 Bill Gates was great.
- 233 [VOICE BREAKING]: Ever since I was a little kid, I've looked up to you
- like... like a hero.
- 234 Would you like a tissue?
- 235 How about a hug?
- 236 How-how about a tissue?
- 237 CUOCO: Steve Wozniak, Elon Musk.
- 238 - We had a lot of Nobel Laureates on the show.
- 239 - GALECKI: Three, at least. Buzz Aldrin.
- 240 I walked on the moon.
- 241 What have you done?
- 242 Carol Ann Susi, I have to give special tribute to.
- 243 She played, uh, the voice of Howard's mom.
- 244 - [BANG]
- 245 - MRS. WOLOWITZ: Howard, I'm home!
- 246 MRS. WOLOWITZ: Sheldon!
- 247 MRS. WOLOWITZ: Does he like the pancakes?
- 248 He didn't try them yet!
- 249 Yes, Mrs. Wolowitz.
- 250 Although we never saw her, she was a big, big part of the show.
- 251 Well, I remember when word came down that she had passed, we gathered around here, everybody, and just told stories about...
- 252 - Carol Ann...
- 253 - I mean, she... Yeah.

- 254 ... and cried a bit and laughed a lot.
- 255 And then, uh, executive producer Steve Molaro and I went to Props and asked them to print up this photo of her.
- 256 So she's been in every...
- 257 - Every episode.
- 258 - Every episode.
- 259 Everyone loved her so much.
- 260 All right, come on in.
- 261 So, here we are in the most epic wardrobe room, I think, ever.
- 262 Everyone has their own wall.
- 263 We got Raj over here.
- 264 All his sweater vests.
- 265 We got Leonard on this side.
- 266 I think this robe might be one of the most famous robes in television.
- 267 - GALECKI: It's that and Archie Bunker's. Yeah.
- 268 - CUOCO: Leonard's robe.
- 269 - Star Trek?
- 270 - My chain mail.
- 271 - Star Trek.
- 272 - I got it right.
- 273 [LAUGHING]: Well done.
- 274 I know Mr. Data isn't supposed to smile, but here it comes.
- 275 Come on, guys. Let's do this.
- 276 Yeah, I'm sweating my bald cap off.
- 277 [BEATBOXING]
- 278 There... Who was in that? Raj.
- 279 - Raj.
- 280 - For Halloween.
- 281 - Raj was Aquaman.
- 282 GALECKI: Those are the Flashes, right?
- 283 Oh, my gosh.
- 284 See, this is why I wanted to have a costume meeting.
- 285 We all have other costumes.
- 286 We can change.
- 287 Or we could walk right behind each other all night.
- 288 It'll look like one person going really fast.
- 289 Oh, that was my cat outfit when I first kissed you.
- 290 - Halloween.
- 291 - Oh, yeah.
- 292 The most iconic of all time are Wolowitz's belt buckles.
- 293 It's a light saber belt buckle.
- 294 [IMITATES LIGHT SABER WHOOSH]
- 295 [CHUCKLES] Wow.
- 296 I have one, too.
- 297 Check it out.
- 298 You can wear yours, and we can have little sword fights whenever we want.

- 299 [MAKING WHOOSHING SOUNDS]
- 300 Sheldon's zombie, when he popped up from the couch.
- 301 [SHOUTING]
- 302 My Valentine's Day outfit.
- 303 - Is that mine or yours?
- 304 - That was... [LAUGHS]
- 305 BOTH: Happy Valentine's Day!
- 306 [BLOWING NOISEMAKER]
- 307 That's, obviously, Amy's incredible dress from their wedding.
- 308 [GASPS] Wow! You look like a pile of swans.
- 309 And Mark Hamill officiated.
- 310 Amy, do you take Sheldon for your lawful wedded husband?
- 311 I do.
- 312 [CRYING]: And, Sheldon, same thing.
- 313 Over here, the fencing outfit.
- 314 I was very excited by...
- 315 'Cause I always wanted to take a fencing lesson.
- 316 One, two, three.
- 317 Switch again. One, two, three.
- 318 - [PHONE CHIMING]
- 319 - Ehh!
- 320 Excuse me.
- 321 Can I call you back?
- 322 No, I'm-I'm teaching a class.
- 323 What about Bernadette? [LAUGHS]
- 324 Oh, from the pageant, right? Yeah.
- 325 - Yes.
- 326 I'm Bernadette Maryann Rostenkowski from Yorba Linda, California!
- 327 - Remember the Bavarian pretzel?
- 328 - Bavarian pretzel.
- 329 Who could forget?
- 330 Ich bin ein Bavarian.
- 331 Und ich bin eine pretzel.
- 332 We're here in the prop room on the stage.
- 333 Uh, this was the Internet kissing...
- 334 - We made some memories in here...
- 335 - that Wolowitz came up with in a very disturbing scene.
- 336 Whoa! You just bit my tongue!
- 337 I, like, nibbled. I was being playful.
- 338 Why do you have to make everything weird?
- 339 Sorry.
- 340 Better?
- 341 Oh, yeah.
- 342 That's the ring...
- 343 CUOCO: Lord of the Rings ring.
- 344 GALECKI: ... that we all held.

- 345 Ah.
- 346 Okay, everybody, and plié.
- 347 And relevé.
- 348 - Worst toy invention ever.
- 349 - [LAUGHING]
- 350 Remote control Stephen Hawking!
- 351 The gift Penny gave to you and Sheldon,
- 352 - right? Ta-da!
- 353 - Mm-hmm.
- 354 [GASPS] A vintage, mint, in-box
- 355 Mego Star Trek transporter, with real transporter action. Hot darn!
- 356 And I got you a transporter, too!
- 357 Awesome!
- 358 We had a lot of robots on the show.
- 359 - We had Shelbot.
- 360 - Yeah.
- 361 - Bazinga!
- 362 - [HORNS BLARING]
- 363 - BattleBots.
- 364 - Yeah.
- 365 No, I think I'm just gonna stay in tonight and do laundry.
- 366 [SCREAMING]
- 367 Robot Arm Wolowitz.
- 368 Oh, yeah, just like a real hand.
- 369 You slipped and fell into a robot hand?
- 370 Yes.
- 371 Penis-first?
- 372 Well, I think the most memorable prop that we have in here comes from season two.
- 373 The famous napk in that Penny gives to Sheldon she has Leonard Nimoy sign for  $\mbox{him}$  as a gift.
- 374 Sheldon freaks out and claims that he now has Leonard Nimoy's DNA.
- 375 Sorry the napkin's dirty.
- 376 He wiped his mouth with it.
- 377 All I need is a healthy ovum, and I can grow my own Leonard Nimoy!
- 378 [AUDIENCE LAUGHING, APPLAUDING]
- 379 And which leads to one of my favorite moments that Shenny had over the course of the show, where he comes out and gives her, like, ten gifts, and then he hugs her.
- 380 - Entrée.
- 381 - Comic Book store.
- 382 How many scenes have you had in here?
- 383 Oh, a lot more than you.
- 384 No, you were here for...
- 385 - "Scavenger Hunt".
- 386 - I've been in here a bunch, yes.

- 387 One of my favorite episodes.
- 388 I always say it.
- 389 - Melissa trying to hit me...
- 390 - Punch you.
- 391 - ... in a way that looked realistic at all.
- 392 - "Punch you".
- 393 Penny, I just wanted to say good luck,
- 394 - and I hope there's no hard feelings.
- 395 - Hey, Romeo!
- 396 Repair your relationship on your own time!
- 397 The great Kevin Sussman.
- 398 What do you want for it?
- 399 Well, it's hard to put a price on something that's a copy of something that was on pay cable.
- 400 - I, like, adore him.
- 401 - He is the comic book store.
- 402 [SPEAKING KLINGON]
- 403 Did that guy just say, "revenge is a dish best served cold" in Klingon?
- 404 I believe so.
- 405 What is wrong with him?
- 406 Everyone has a different theory.
- 407 It's not a dress-up party?
- 408 No.
- 409 Was it ever a dress-up party?
- 410 No.
- 411 Howard, didn't you tell me it was a dress-up party?
- 412 Yeah. [LAUGHS]
- 413 - Footprints on the Moon made their debut.
- 414 - Thor and Dr. Jones
- 415 Thor and Dr. Jones
- 416 BOTH: Thor and Dr. Jones
- 417 One plays with lightning
- 418 The other plays with bones.
- 419 - Come on.
- 420 - You won't believe this.
- 421 When we have guests come, they immediately want to see what's down
- here. This is it.
- 422 - A lot of chewed gum here.
- 423 - Yeah. [LAUGHS]
- 424 It's kind of like, how dogs mark trees,
- 425 - actors mark stages this way...
- 426 - Yeah. with just chewed gum.
- 427 That's not true. We're just disgusting.
- 428 We're disgusting.
- 429 How about "bazinga"?
- 430 Bazinga.

- 431 Bazinga.
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- 433 Jim, you guys...
- 434 - They complained about that for days.
- 435 - I hate to sound spoiled, but we got out of that, and we were just...
- 436 - coated in dirt.
- 437 - Filth.
- 438 Yeah. They washed the balls the next day.
- 439 - That's key to being on set.
- 440 - You got to wash the balls.
- 441 - Bazinga.
- 442 - [LAUGHS]
- 443 DIRECTOR: And that's a cut.
- 444 [CHEERS AND APPLAUSE]
- 445 [MAN SHOUTING INDISTINCTLY]
- 446 -
- 447 It's been an honor and joy for this cast to perform for you guys for years.
- 448 Thank you so much.
- 449 [CHEERING AND APPLAUSE]
- 450 Well, we've come to the end.
- 451 I don't really want to say good-bye.
- 452 [LAUGHS]
- 453 What you see here is not all that goes on.
- 454 And this crew has really helped make this show what it is.
- 455 GALECKI: Honestly, it could not be possible without the -so crew and staff that work incredibly hard and get, much, much too little credit for it.
- 456 We thank you very, very much for all your hard work.
- 457 I really want to sit in that seat.
- 458 - Penny...
- 459 - Yeah?
- 460 That's where I sit.
- 461 Sit next to me.
- 462 No, I sit there.
- 463 What's the difference?
- 464 - What's the difference?
- 465 - Here we go.
- 466 In the winter, that seat is close enough to the radiator to remain warm, and yet not so close as to cause perspiration.
- 467 In the summer, it's directly in the path of a cross-breeze, created by opening windows there and there.
- 468 It faces the television at an angle that is neither direct, thus discouraging conversation, nor so far wide as to create a parallax distortion.
- 469 I could go on, but I think I've made my point.
- 470 - Do it. Do it. He's not around.
- 471 - All right.
- 472 - Nope. Can't do it.

- 473 - [LAUGHS]
- 474 No.
- 475 Our whole universe was in a hot, dense state
- 476 Then nearly billion years ago
- 477 Expansion started... Wait!
- 478 The Earth began to cool
- 479 The autotrophs began to drool
- 480 Neanderthals developed tools
- 481 We built a wall, we built the pyramids
- 482 Math, Science, History, unraveling the mystery
- 483 That all started with a big bang.