

THE BIG BANG THEORY

"The Menstruation Examination"

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COLD OPENING

FADE IN:

INT. LEONARD AND PENNY'S BEDROOM - NIGHT  
(Leonard, Penny)

LEONARD ENTERS THE BEDROOM AND SETS A GLASS OF WATER ON HIS NIGHTSTAND. HE TALKS TO PENNY AS HE CHANGES HIS CLOTHES AND GETS READY FOR BED. PENNY ENTERS FROM THE BATHROOM.

LEONARD

DC's new streaming service has their  
TV shows and movies.

PENNY RETRIEVES A BOTTLE OF LOTION FROM THE DRESSER AND SITS DOWN ON THE BED.

PENNY

Mhmm.

LEONARD

There's exclusive originals.

PENNY

Ooh.

LEONARD

You can even read comics on your TV.

PENNY

Great. Just what we need. Another  
place for your comics.

LEONARD

Hey! They're collectible!

PENNY ROLLS HER EYES AND APPLIES LOTION TO HER ARMS AND LEGS.

PENNY

So were Beanie Babies.

LEONARD

These are actually worth something.

PENNY

To you, maybe.

LEONARD

One day it could pay for our kids'  
college tuition.

PENNY

Kids?

LEONARD

If we ever had kids.

PENNY

Why is being a nerd so expensive?

LEONARD

It's popular now because they realized  
everyone has a little nerd inside  
them.

PENNY

Now there's a Star Wars movie every  
year.

LEONARD

There's no such thing as too much Star Wars. I really think we should pre-order though.

PENNY

How much is it?

LEONARD

If we pay for the yearly subscription it saves us twenty dollars.

PENNY

Wow! A whole twenty dollars?

LEONARD

But if you pre-order you get three extra months free. So it's like saving forty-five dollars.

LEONARD PLACES HIS GLASSES ON THE NIGHTSTAND AND LAYS DOWN.

PENNY

Get it if you want it. Whatever floats your boat.

SHE SETS THE LOTION ON HER NIGHTSTAND AND SWITCHES OFF THE LAMP. SHE LAYS ON HER SIDE. LEONARD MOVES BEHIND HER.

LEONARD

So...

PENNY

What?

LEONARD

Are your nether regions open for a weary traveler's migration?

PENNY SCOFFS AND PULLS THE COVERS HIGHER UP.

PENNY

Sorry, little weary traveler. There's  
a travel ban.

LEONARD

Little? A travel ban? Why?

PENNY

I'm late.

LEONARD

Do you think... you're pregnant?

PENNY

It's only been a week. It's probably  
only late, because I'm worried about  
it being late.

LEONARD

That's a little ironic. And  
paradoxical.

PENNY

At least you don't have to deal with  
it.

LEONARD

No, but my weary traveler does.

AND WE:

FADE OUT.

ACT ONE

SCENE A

FADE IN:

INT. LEONARD AND PENNY'S APARTMENT - DAY  
(Leonard, Penny)

LEONARD STROLLS INTO THE KITCHEN AND POURS A CUP OF COFFEE.  
PENNY SITS ON THE COUCH AND LOOKS AT HER LAPTOP.

LEONARD

Good morning.

PENNY

Good morning to you too.

LEONARD SITS ACROSS FROM HER.

LEONARD

What are you up to?

PENNY

Taking a quiz.

LEONARD

On purpose?

PENNY

Hey!

LEONARD

I'm kidding. What kind of quiz?

PENNY

I found this Are You Pregnant? quiz.

LEONARD

You aren't pregnant.

PENNY

I could be. I've been tired and going to the bathroom a lot.

LEONARD

And that's different how?

PENNY GLARES AT LEONARD.

PENNY

I've also been feeling bloated and I'm late. The quiz says I should take a pregnancy test.

LEONARD

You don't need to take a test!

PENNY

It's the only way to know for sure.

LEONARD

You said it yourself. It's the stress from being late. Stop being dramatic. You don't need to take a test.

PENNY

Why are you being like this?

LEONARD

Look. I'm late. I'm supposed to meet Sheldon.

LEONARD GRABS HIS KEYS AND EXITS.

AND WE:

CUT TO:



SCENE B

INT. WOLOWITZ'S KITCHEN - DAY  
(Wolowitz, Bernadette)

WOLOWITZ SITS AT THE TABLE AND TYPES ON HIS LAPTOP.

BERNADETTE, HAIR A MESS, DRESSED IN SWEATS AND A BATHROBE,  
STUMBLES INTO THE KITCHEN AND COUGHS.

BERNADETTE

Why are you still here?

WOLOWITZ

Aren't you just the romantic? I'm glad  
you're still here too.

BERNADETTE

You know what I meant.

WOLOWITZ

My office is closed for termite  
fumigation.

BERNADETTE

Geez, how long will that take?

WOLOWITZ

Couple days. I have to finish this  
grant proposal before tomorrow or I'll  
run out of funding.

BERNADETTE COUGHS.

WOLOWITZ (CONT'D)

Are you okay?

BERNADETTE

I think I'm just sick.

WOLOWITZ

Don't get me sick too. What's wrong?

BERNADETTE

My head hurts... well my whole body  
aches. My nose is running --

WOLOWITZ

Then you better go catch --

BERNADETTE

Shut up, Howie.

WOLOWITZ GOES TO THE CUPBOARD AND RETRIEVES SOME MEDICINE. HE  
HANDS LOOSE PILLS TO BERNADETTE. SHE SWALLOWS THE PILLS  
WITHOUT WATER.

WOLOWITZ

Wow. That never ceases to amaze me.

Now, go back to bed.

BERNADETTE

Are you sure? You need to finish --

WOLOWITZ

You need to rest.

BERNADETTE

You're right.

WOLOWITZ

Wait. Can you repeat that?

BERNADETTE

Oh, shove it. You'll need to get  
Halley and Michael when they wake up.

WOLOWITZ

It'll be fine. I think I can handle  
it.

BERNADETTE

Okay, I'm going back to bed.

WOLOWITZ SITS BACK AT THE TABLE AND TAKES A DEEP BREATH. HE  
SCANS THE SCREEN.

WOLOWITZ

Now, where was I?

HE TYPES.

BERNADETTE (O.S.)

Howie, can you bring me some orange  
juice?

HE SIGHS, GETS UP AND WALKS TO THE FRIDGE. HE TAKES OUT THE  
CARTON OF JUICE, POURS A GLASS, THEN EXITS THE KITCHEN.

AND WE:

CUT TO:

SCENE C

INT. THE COMIC CENTER OF PASADENA - DAY  
(Leonard, Sheldon, Stuart)

LEONARD AND SHELDON PICK THROUGH BOXES OF COMIC BOOKS. STUART PUTS A NEW COMIC IN THE GLASS COUNTER DISPLAY.

STUART

I've got a new exclusive collector's edition in stock. In case it's not in your collection.

SHELDON

Ooh, what title?

STUART

It's a 1980 Amazing Spider-Man comic book. It was exclusively given away with the purchase of Aim toothpaste.

LEONARD

Toothpaste?

SHELDON

Did you know --

LEONARD

No, but I'm sure I'm about to find out.

SHELDON

Early Egyptians started using a paste to clean their teeth around five thousand B.C. before the toothbrush was even invented.

LEONARD

That actually is interesting.

SHELDON

I'll admit society today is spoiled by toothpaste made with fluoride.

LEONARD

Oh, really? How so?

SHELDON

Original pastes could include ox hooves' ashes, burnt eggshells, crushed bones, oyster shells, charcoal and bark.

LEONARD CONTINUES TO FLIP THROUGH COMIC BOOKS.

SHELDON (CONT'D)

Did you hear a word of what I just said?

STUART

Yes, I --

SHELDON

Shut up, Stuart. Leonard!

STUART BLINKS AND WALKS AWAY.

LEONARD

Huh? Sorry. That's interesting.

SHELDON LOOKS AT LEONARD.

SHELDON

Something seems to be bothering you.

LEONARD

Penny might be pregnant.

SHELDON

What do you mean, "might be?" She either is or she isn't. She should take a pregnancy test.

LEONARD

She doesn't need to take a test. She can't be pregnant.

SHELDON

Why don't you want her to take a test? I thought you wanted offspring.

LEONARD

I did.

SHELDON

Then why are you bothered?

LEONARD

I did want kids, but Penny told me she didn't.

SHELDON

Wanting children is irrelevant to having children.

LEONARD

When she told me that, it felt like I  
lost the chance at being a dad. What  
if I get my hopes up and it's taken  
away from me again?

LEONARD WIPES A TEAR OFF HIS EYE.

LEONARD (CONT'D)

And what if I can't be a good father?  
It's not like I had a great example  
growing up. Look at my mom.

SHELDON

Your mom is wonderful!

LEONARD SNIFFLES.

SHELDON (CONT'D)

Leonard, you've been there for me over  
the years. You've been a good  
friend... which leads me to believe  
you would be a good father.

LEONARD

Wow, Sheldon. That was really nice.

SHELDON

As a Star Trek fan, you should  
approach the unknown with  
resourcefulness, discipline, and  
optimism. Have her take a test.

LEONARD

Thank you, Sheldon. That actually helped.

SHELDON

You seem surprised. You need to start realizing what a gift my friendship is to you.

LEONARD

You really are a good friend.

AND WE:

CUT TO:



SCENE D

INT. KOOTHRAPPALI'S APARTMENT - DAY  
(Koothrappali)

KOOTHRAPPALI SITS ON HIS COUCH AND CINNAMON LICKS HIS FACE.

KOOTHRAPPALI

Oh, I love you so much. Yes, I do.

Yes, I do. You're the sweet cinnamon  
spice of my life.

KOOTHRAPPALI PETS AND SCRATCHES HER. HIS PHONE CHIMES.

SFX: PHONE CHIMES

KOOTHRAPPALI STOPS TO LOOK AT IT. HE SQUEALS IN DELIGHT.

KOOTHRAPPALI (CONT'D)

Holy reverse polarity, Batman! DC  
Comics new streaming service is open  
for pre-orders!

KOOTHRAPPALI RUSHES TO HIS COMPUTER AND TYPES IN THE URL. HE  
WATCHES A VIDEO ON HIS COMPUTER SCREEN. AN UNSEEN ANNOUNCER  
NARRATES THE VIDEO.

ANNOUNCER (V.O.)

Pre-order and automatically get  
entered to be the one lucky fan who  
gets to bring a guest on the trip of a  
lifetime.

KOOTHRAPPALI

The trip of a lifetime?

ANNOUNCER (V.O.)

Enjoy the DC experience with a flight to L.A., a visit to WB studios, a tour of DC Headquarters and a chance to ride in the Batmobile!

KOOTHRAPPALI

Which Batmobile are we talking about though?

KOOTHRAPPALI LEANS CLOSER TO THE SCREEN. THE SOUND OF FLAMES FROM AN EXHAUST ERUPT FROM THE COMPUTER.

SFX: EXHAUST FLAMES

KOOTHRAPPALI (CONT'D)

Batman Forever Batmobile! That's better than the Batmobile from Batman and Robin.

KOOTHRAPPALI REACHES INTO HIS BACK POCKET. HE FUMBLES AROUND AND PATS ALL HIS POCKETS. KOOTHRAPPALI BANGS HIS HAND ON THE TABLE. THE COMPUTER MONITOR SHAKES AND THE MEGAZORD REPLICA FALLS OVER.

KOOTHRAPPALI (CONT'D)

Where'd my wallet go?

KOOTHRAPPALI GLANCES AT CINNAMON.

KOOTHRAPPALI (CONT'D)

Cinnamon, do you know where it went?

KOOTHRAPPALI TURNS AROUND AND CINNAMON SNIFFS HIS BUTT. HE LAUGHS.

KOOTHRAPPALI (CONT'D)

That's it! Pick up the scent and then  
you can track it down.

KOOTHRAPPALI SIGHS AND PULLS OUT HIS PHONE. HE DIALS A PHONE  
NUMBER.

KOOTHRAPPALI (CONT'D)

Did I lose it? Maybe it was returned  
to the bank... or Catwoman got her  
claws on it.

BANK AUTOMATED TELLER (V.O.)

Thank you for calling your bank. We  
look forward to helping you. All of  
our representatives are busy. The  
estimated wait time is 34 minutes.

KOOTHRAPPALI GROANS. HE TAPS HIS PHONE AND SETS IT NEXT TO  
HIM.

KOOTHRAPPALI

Speakerphone is one of the greatest  
inventions.

KOOTHRAPPALI SEARCHES THROUGH HIS DIRTY LAUNDRY.

AND WE:

CUT TO:

SCENE E

INT. NAIL SALON BATHROOM - DAY

(Penny, Amy)

PENNY PACES BACK AND FORTH IN THE BATHROOM. A KNOCK ON THE DOOR STARTLES HER.

SFX: DOOR KNOCK

AMY (O.S.)

Penny?

PENNY

What?

AMY (O.S.)

Are you doing okay?

PENNY

I'm fine.

AMY (O.S.)

Are you sure? Was it something you  
ate? I know I have bowel problems when  
I --

PENNY

Amy!

AMY (O.S.)

What?

PENNY

Calm down. I'm just freshening up. I won't be much longer.

AMY (O.S.)

Oh, should I come in?

PENNY

No! I mean, no, I'll be out in a minute.

AMY (O.S.)

Okay. Hurry up though. We need to soak our feet for ten minutes and the nail technicians keep looking at me.

PENNY

Just start your soak and I'll get to mine when I come out.

AMY

But then we won't finish at the same time.

PENNY

You're married to Sheldon. Aren't you used to that?

AMY

Hey! Don't --

PENNY

Amy, I'm sorry. I was only kidding.

PENNY TAKES A DEEP BREATH.

PENNY (CONT'D)

This is the longest five minutes of my  
life. I've finished BuzzFeed tests  
quicker than this.

PENNY CHECKS THE TIME ON HER PHONE.

PENNY (CONT'D)

Finally! Let's see what this pee stick  
says.

PENNY LOOKS AT THE SINK. A PREGNANCY TEST RESTS ON THE  
COUNTER. ON PENNY'S REACTION, WE:

FADE OUT.

END OF ACT ONE

ACT TWO

SCENE H

FADE IN:

INT. NAIL SALON LOBBY - DAY

(Penny, Amy)

PENNY ENTERS AND SITS IN THE SALON CHAIR NEXT TO AMY. SHE PUTS HER FEET IN A TUB. A NAIL TECHNICIAN LIFTS AMY'S FEET OUT AND BEGINS TO FILE CALLUSES.

AMY

What took you so long?

PENNY

I just needed to freshen up.

AMY

Shall we stop and get a couple bottles  
of wine after this?

PENNY

Not this time.

AMY

Are you sick? Who are you and what  
have you done with Penny?

PENNY

I just don't feel like drinking.

AMY

Penny, you're my friend and I know you. You would never turn down a chance at alcohol.

PENNY

Okay. I'll tell you. You can't tell anyone else though.

AMY

Of course not! Your secret is safe with me.

PENNY

Not even Sheldon.

AMY

Fine.

PENNY

I took so long in the bathroom because I took a pregnancy test.

AMY JERKS HER LEG AND THE NAIL TECHNICIAN SCOLDS HER.

NAIL TECHNICIAN

Don't move!

AMY

I'm so sorry.

THE NAIL TECHNICIAN MUMBLES AND KEEPS SCRUBBING HER FEET.

AMY (CONT'D)

Oh my God! Are you pregnant? Why did you take it in the bathroom?



PENNY

I got one on the way here and couldn't wait any longer. Leonard fought with me earlier, because he didn't want me to take one.

AMY

I thought you didn't want to have kids? Are you and Leonard ready to be parents?

PENNY

I don't think I'd be a very good mom.

AMY

You'd be such a cool mom.

PENNY

You think? Leonard would be a good dad. If I had kids I wouldn't want it to be with anyone else.

AMY

How are you going to tell Leonard?

PENNY

Maybe I should give him a onesie or something? I just don't want him to be mad I took the test.

AMY

He won't be mad! And I don't think Leonard would fit in a onesie.

PENNY

For the baby.

AMY

Oh. That's a good idea.

PENNY

Let's go shopping after this.

AND WE:

CUT TO:

SCENE J

INT. HOWARD'S LIVING ROOM - DAY  
(Wolowitz, Bernadette)

HOWARD TYPES FURIOUSLY ON HIS LAPTOP. CRIES ECHO FROM THE BABY MONITOR. HIS FACE FALLS INTO HIS HANDS AND HE RUBS HIS TEMPLE. HIS PHONE VIBRATES.

SFX: PHONE VIBRATES

HOWARD GLANCES AT IT AND ANSWERS THE VIDEO CHAT WITH BERNADETTE.

BERNADETTE

Howie, the kids are up.

HOWARD

I'm aware of that information.

BERNADETTE

You don't have to be rude --

HOWARD

I'm sorry. I shouldn't have snapped.

I'm just trying to finish my proposal.

BERNADETTE

Can you help the kids?

HOWARD

On it.

HOWARD SETS HIS PHONE DOWN AND HIS LAPTOP ASIDE. HE STANDS UP AND WALKS UP THE STAIRS.

RESET TO:

INT. NURSERY - DAY  
(Wolowitz)

HOWARD ENTERS AND APPROACHES THE CRIBS. HE GAGS.

HOWARD

What crawled in your diapers and died?

BERNADETTE (O.S.)

What's taking so long? They're still  
crying!

HOWARD FOLDS DIRTY DIAPERS AND THROWS THEM IN THE TRASH. THE BABIES CRY.

SFX: BABIES CRIES

HOWARD SOOTHES THE BABIES WITH A SONG.

HOWARD

(SINGS) *"If I didn't have you  
Life would be blue  
I'd be Dr. Who without the Tardis  
A candle without a wick  
A Watson without a Crick."*

THE BABIES CRIES GROW QUIETER. HOWARD FINISHES HIS SONG.

HOWARD (CONT'D)

(SINGS) *I couldn't have imagined  
How good my life would get  
From the moment that I met the two of  
you.*

HOWARD SMILES AT HIS CHILDREN.

RESET TO:

INT. HOWARD AND BERNADETTE'S BEDROOM - DAY  
(Wolowitz, Bernadette)

HOWARD ENTERS AND CROSSES THE ROOM. BERNADETTE SITS IN BED AND SMILES AT HOWARD.

BERNADETTE

I heard you singing. It sounded like the song from the anniversary of our first date.

HOWARD

Did you? It was, but I tweaked it a little.

BERNADETTE

You're such a good dad.

HOWARD

And you're a great mom. How are you feeling?

BERNADETTE

A little better.

HOWARD

Good.

BERNADETTE

Thanks for letting me rest.

HOWARD

Of course!

BERNADETTE

I could use some chicken noodle soup though.

HOWARD GRITS HIS TEETH.

HOWARD

Fine!

BERNADETTE

No need to be snappy!

HOWARD

Bernie, I told you! I have to finish  
this proposal or I'm going to lose my  
funding!

BERNADETTE

I'll get it myself then.

HOWARD SIGHS.

HOWARD

What if I UberEats you some soup?

BERNADETTE

I guess that would work.

RESET TO:

INT. HOWARD'S LIVING ROOM - DAY  
(Wolowitz)

HOWARD PLOPS INTO THE COUCH AND BREATHES A SIGH OF RELIEF. HE  
OPENS UP HIS LAPTOP, BUT HIS PHONE VIBRATES AGAIN.

SFX: PHONE VIBRATES

HOWARD GRABS HIS PHONE AND READS A TEXT MESSAGE.

ON HOWARD'S IPHONE

"DON'T FORGET THE CRACKERS."

HOWARD TOSSES HIS PHONE ON THE COUCH CUSHION NEXT TO HIM.

AND WE:

CUT TO:

SCENE K

INT. RAJ'S APARTMENT - DAY  
(Koothrappali)

KOOTHRAPALI LAYS ON THE COUCH WITH HIS PHONE ON HIS CHEST. A BANK REPRESENTATIVE GREETES HIM.

BANK REPRESENTATIVE (V.O.)

Thank you for calling East West Bank.

How can I help you today?

KOOTHRAPALI SNORES, OPENS HIS EYES THEN SITS UP. HIS PHONE FALLS ONTO THE COUCH.

BANK REPRESENTATIVE (V.O.) (CONT'D)

Unfortunately, I'm not able to hear you. I'm going to disconnect the call, but please call back if --

RAJ GRABS HIS PHONE.

KOOTHRAPALI

No! No! Please. I'm sorry. I'm here.

BANK REPRESENTATIVE (V.O.)

That's alright. I'd be happy to help.

KOOTHRAPALI

I can't seem to find my wallet. Has my debit card been turned in?

BANK REPRESENTATIVE (V.O.)

Mr. Koothrappali, unfortunately, it appears a fraud alert was issued on your account.

KOOTHRAPPALI

Oh, no! Someone used my card?

BANK REPRESENTATIVE (V.O.)

I'm going to list some transactions. Please reply with a yes or no if you recognize the charges.

KOOTHRAPPALI

Can do.

BANK REPRESENTATIVE (V.O.)

One hundred and twenty-seven dollars at a PetSmart.

KOOTHRAPPALI

That one was me. I had to buy some stuff for Cinnamon and I always shop there. It's the pet's mart for a smart pet. That sounded dumb as I said it.

KOOTHRAPPALI SMILES, GRABS CINNAMON AND PETS HER. HE GLANCES AT HIS PHONE AND NOTICES A LOW BATTERY WARNING.

ON KOOTHRAPPALI'S PHONE

"15% BATTERY REMAINING"

KOOTHRAPPALI TAPS HIS SCREEN AND PLACES THE PHONE BACK TO HIS EAR.



BANK REPRESENTATIVE (V.O.)

Three hundred and twenty-one dollars  
at GameStop? Forty-five dollars at  
Namaste Spiceland? And one hundred  
dollars on the PlayStation Store?

KOOTHRAPPALI

Absolutely not! I don't like Indian  
food and I'm an Xbox guy. I didn't  
make any of those charges!

BANK REPRESENTATIVE (V.O.)

I've completed filing a dispute. Your  
card has been closed and a new one  
will be mailed to you. It should  
arrive within three to five business --

THE LINE GOES SILENT. KOOTHRAPPALI LOOKS AT HIS PHONE, SEES A  
BLANK SCREEN, THEN PRESSES THE POWER BUTTON, BUT NOTHING  
CHANGES.

KOOTHRAPPALI

Thanks. I guess.

KOOTHRAPPALI (CONT'D)

I wonder if Leonard would let me  
borrow his card.

AND WE:

CUT TO:

SCENE 1

INT. LEONARD AND PENNY'S APARTMENT - NIGHT  
(Leonard, Sheldon, Penny, Amy)

SHELDON SITS IN HIS SPOT AND LEONARD SITS ACROSS FROM HIM WITH A BROWN PAPER BAG IN HIS LAP.

LEONARD

I don't know. Don't you think naming your baby something from fiction is a little tacky?

SHELDON

On the contrary. What better way is there to display your reverence for a character you love than naming your offspring after them?

LEONARD

What about that Twilight name from a few years ago? What was it...  
Renesmee?

SHELDON

Perhaps you're right. It is tacky.

A KNOCK ON THE DOOR INTERRUPTS THE CONVERSATION. LEONARD STANDS UP, WALKS OVER AND ANSWERS THE DOOR. KOOTHRAPPALI BURSTS IN.

KOOTHRAPPALI

Quick! Leonard, I need to borrow your card so I can pre-order the DC streaming --

LEONARD

Raj, I don't have time for this.

SHELDON

Why do you need someone else's card?

KOOTHRAPPALI

Someone stole mine and I need to pre-order --

SHELDON

Correction. You want to pre-order. It's not water. You don't need it to live. Go to the bank on Monday and then you can pre-order it.

KOOTHRAPPALI

Do I look like a doctor's office?

SHELDON

Don't be ridiculous. Of course not.

KOOTHRAPPALI

I don't have patience.

SHELDON LAUGHS.

SHELDON

Clever play on words, Raj, but perhaps it's time you learned how to be patient.

LEONARD

Raj, get out! I said I don't have time  
for this.

LEONARD WAVES HIS ARMS TO SCOOT KOOTHRAPPALI TO THE DOOR.  
LEONARD OPENS IT AND KOOTHRAPPALI HOVERS IN THE DOORWAY.

KOOTHRAPPALI

But --

LEONARD FORCES THE DOOR CLOSED. LEONARD AND SHELDON RETURN TO  
THEIR SEATS.

KOOTHRAPPALI (O.S.) (CONT'D)

Fine! Maybe Howard will be a better  
friend than you were!

PENNY AND AMY ENTER. PENNY CARRIES A GIFT BAG AND SITS ON THE  
COUCH NEXT TO SHELDON. AMY SITS ON THE CHAIR ON THE OTHER  
SIDE OF SHELDON.

PENNY

Leonard, I... I got something for you.  
You have to promise not to get mad  
though!

LEONARD

Me too. Well, not for me but for you.  
Why would I get mad?

PENNY

You were mad all morning.

LEONARD

I'm sorry about that.

LEONARD THRUSTS A BROWN PAPER BAG AT PENNY. SHE SETS THE GIFT  
BAG ON THE TABLE AND TAKES THE BROWN PAPER BAG. LEONARD PICKS  
UP THE GIFT BAG AND SETS IT ON HIS LAP.

PENNY

Why don't you go first?

LEONARD

How about at the same time?

PENNY

Okay.

LEONARD REMOVES BLUE AND PINK TISSUE PAPER. PENNY REMOVES A PREGNANCY TEST BOX FROM HER BAG AND LAUGHS.

LEONARD

What's so funny?

PENNY

Shut up and look in your bag.

LEONARD PULLS OUT A BABY ONESIE. HE UNROLLS IT AND A LOOSE PREGNANCY TEST FALLS IN HIS LAP. THE ONESIE READS "I THINK MY DAD IS BATMAN."

LEONARD

Is this real?

PENNY

Yes.

LEONARD

I love you.

LEONARD SETS THE PREGNANCY TEST AND ONESIE DOWN AND GETS UP. PENNY STANDS AND THEY HUG.

AMY

Congratulations!

AMY NUDGES SHELDON.

AMY (CONT'D)

Don't you have something to say,

Sheldon?

SHELDON

Yes, I do. The results aren't  
positive.

LEONARD

It's negative? I'm not going to be a  
father?

SHELDON

The results are invalid.

LEONARD LOOKS AT PENNY.

LEONARD

Well, you do have another test.

THE GROUP IS SILENT. THEY STARE AT THE BOX. PENNY GRABS THE  
BOX AND WALKS TOWARDS THE BATHROOM.

AND WE:

CUT TO:

SCENE M

INT. HOWARD'S LIVING ROOM - DAY  
(Wolowitz, Koothrappali)

WOLOWITZ SITS ON THE COUCH AND SMILES AT HIS LAPTOP.

WOLOWITZ

Wow. I'm almost done. I just need --

A KNOCK ON THE DOOR INTERRUPTS AND HOWARD STANDS AND WALKS TO THE DOOR.

WOLOWITZ (CONT'D)

Finally! The soup's here.

WOLOWITZ OPENS IT. KOOTHRAPPALI STANDS WAITING.

KOOTHRAPPALI

Howard! I need you to help me. The DC  
streaming service --

HOWARD SLAMS THE DOOR IN KOOTHRAPPALI'S FACE.

WOLOWITZ

That felt too good. Now to proofread  
and submit.

AND WE:

CUT TO:

SCENE N

INT. LEONARD AND PENNY'S APARTMENT - NIGHT  
(Leonard, Sheldon, Penny, Amy)

LEONARD SITS IN THE LIVING ROOM WITH SHELDON AND AMY. PENNY ENTERS FROM THE BATHROOM. THE TRIO LOOK AT HER. PENNY SHAKES HER HEAD FROM SIDE TO SIDE.

AMY

I'm so sorry.

LEONARD LEANS BACK IN HIS SEAT.

SHELDON

So, what were the results?

AMY

Sheldon!

SHELDON

What? I can't be the only one wondering.

AMY

You're being insensitive. Penny's silence and Leonard's body language indicate disappointment.

PENNY

I'm sorry, Leonard.



LEONARD

You don't have anything to apologize  
for.

SHELDON

Should I make some tea?

LEONARD CHUCKLES.

LEONARD

Sure. I'd love some tea.

SHELDON HEADS TO THE KITCHEN, AND WE:

FADE OUT.

END OF ACT TWO

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FADE IN:

INT. LEONARD AND PENNY'S APARTMENT - DAY  
(Leonard, Sheldon, Wolowitz, Koothrappali)

LEONARD, SHELDON, WOLOWITZ, AND KOOTHRAPPALI SIT GATHERED  
TOGETHER AND STARE AT THE TV.

KOOTHRAPPALI

The new DC streaming service is  
awesome!

LEONARD

The animated Batman series looks so  
good in high definition.

SHELDON

Actually, the conversion of the  
original series hurts the quality of  
the dark colors and makes them too  
bright.

WOLOWITZ

Was there an issue with your quality  
conversion?

AND WE:

FADE OUT.

END OF SHOW