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COLD OPENING

FADE IN:

INT. THE COMIC BOOK STORE – DAY (DAY 1)

(Sheldon, Leonard, Wolowitz, Koothrappali, Rufus, and Rufus’ 3 friends)

THE GUYS ARE LOOKING THROUGH COMICS.

LEONARD

Hey check this out (SHOWS HOWARD A COMIC), when's the last time you saw the Creature from the Blue Lagoon?

HOWARD JUMPS BACK

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LEONARD

Jeez, Howard. It's only a comic, it can't actually hurt you.

WOLOWITZ

No, you don't understand. I saw my mother getting out of the shower last night and I just had a flashback.

KOOTHRAPPALI

(SHUDDERS) You're going to have to take me to Hooter's so I can get that image out of my head.

RUFUS AND HIS THREE FRIENDS APPROACH.

RUFUS

Excuse me, could any of you troglodytes direct me to the juvenile section? I need a gift for my 5 year old nephew. Oh, I'm sorry. I didn't realize it

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RUFUS (CONT’D)

was the losers from Comic-Con trivia 2008. (PATRONIZING VOICE) Could you show me where the comics with the pretty pictures and no words are?

HIS NERD FRIENDS LAUGH.

SHELDON

Oh, hello Rufus. Still resting on your laurels I see. Correct me if I'm wrong, but 2008 was the last time your rag tag band of simpletons won anything. Even if it was on a technicality.

NERD 2

Oh I'm sorry. I didn't realize that you were above the laws of Comic-Con. We all know that all team members on the roster must be present at game time. (LOOKS AT KOOTHRAPPALI)

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KOOTHRAPPALI

I had just gotten to America. How was I to know that riding an elephant is illegal in this country?

LEONARD

Raj, you jumped on an elephant at the circus and tried to ride off with him.

KOOTHRAPPALI

I also didn't know how to handle my liquor back then.

LEONARD

Yeah, back then.

WOLOWITZ

Well this year it's going to be wit against wit. Don't count on a technicality to win this time.

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RUFUS

Wit against wit we still would've won then, and we've only gotten quicker and more knowledgeable. See you in San Diego. (CLAPS) Gentlemen. (HIS FRIENDS FOLLOW HIM OUT OF THE STORE)

LEONARD

We have got to beat those pompous buffoons this year!

SHELDON

Not to worry, Leonard. With my superior intellect and your...sitting there next to me as I answer questions, we can't lose.

KOOTHRAPPALI CHECKS A TEXT MESSAGE.

KOOTHRAPPALI

Oh this is amazing! My friends are coming all the way from New Delhi in two weeks for Comic-Con!

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Sheldon

That is amazing.

KOOTHRAPPALI

What? That my friends are coming all the way from India for Comic-Con?

SHELDON

No, that you had friends before you met us.

LEONARD

So you're not going to flake on us for the Comic-Con trivia contest, are you?

KOOTHRAPPALI

You can't have the Fantastic 4 with 3 people, can you?

SHELDON

Actually, following the Latverian controversy in issue #587 the Fantastic Four (MORE)

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SHELDON (CONT’D)

did split up. What? This is the kind of awe inspiring knowledge that's going to win us the Comic-Con trivia contest this year.

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1/27/13 FINAL DRAFT (I/A)

ACT ONE

SCENE A

INT. LEONARD AND SHELDON’S APARTMENT – NIGHT (NIGHT 1) (Sheldon, Leonard, Wolowitz, Koothrappali)

ALL FOUR GUYS ARE IN THE APARTMENT.

SHELDON

Welcome, gentlemen, to your Comic-Con 2012 Trivia contest training. I will act as the host. There are –-

LEONARD

Sheldon –-

SHELDON

Uppp-upp-upp! Minus 1 point for speaking without buzzing in. Now, as I was saying, there are three contestants chairs set up, please have a seat. (THEY DO) Now, for each incorrect answer you will receive a slight shock.

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WOLOWITZ

Sheldon, we're not lab rats.

SHELDON

And whoever answers the most questions correctly will receive the dinner of their choice, compliments of myself.

KOOTHRAPPALI

Oohhh, free food!

SHELDON

Shall we begin? Let's start with an easy one. What superhero was born with the Curse of Kordax?

LEONARD

I know a certain scientist who was born with the curse of pretentiousness. (the guys chuckle and Leonard gets a small shock) Ow!

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SHELDON

No, I'm sorry, Leonard. That's incorrect.

Raj

(BUZZES IN) Who is aquaman? (HE GETS A SMALL SHOCK)

SHELDON

No, I'm sorry, this isn't jeopardy.

WOLOWITZ

(BUZZERS IN) Aquaman.

SHELDON

Correct answer… finally. Alright, now for your next question. What year was the first modern comic book printed?

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LEONARD

(BUZZES IN) That's easy. 1933.

SHELDON

That's correct, Leonard.

LEONARD

Yeah it's easy to remember because that's the same year that Sheldon's family crawled up to the surface world (the guys chuckle; they all receive a small shock)

KOOTHRAPPALI

(LOOKS AT HIS PHONE) Oh, hey guys - my friends got an earlier flight and they've just landed. I'm afraid I'm going to have to go and pick them up from the airport. But

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KOOTHRAPPALI (CONT’D)

don't worry - they're not party animals like us, they'll probably just want to

go to their hotel and go to sleep.

EXIT KOOTHRAPPALI.  
 SHELDON

Well I certainly hope that Mr. Koothrappali won't be too distracted with his friends to train for our trivia contest.

LEONARD

You know, if I didn't know any better I'd say that you're feeling a little jealous of Raj's friends. (gets a little shock) Ow! What was that for?

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SHELDON

To demonstrate that jealousy is just an electrical impulse, and can be controlled, much like the electrical impulse you just received.

WOLOWITZ

You can't just control -- (GETS A SHOCK) Oh that's it! (WOLOWITZ AND LEONARD START RUNNING AFTER SHELDON AND SHELDON RUNS AWAY)

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1/27/13 FINAL DRAFT (I/B)

SCENE B

FADE IN:

INT. PENNY’S APARTMENT – NIGHT (NIGHT 1)

(Penny, Bernadette, Amy)

PENNY HEARS A KNOCK AT THE DOOR AND OPENS IT. IT'S AMY AND BERNADETTE.

PENNY

Hi!

BERNADETTE

Hi bestie!

PENNY

So I'm trying to get a bar tender job at club Carlisle and whoever can invent the best drink gets the job. So I came up with a few and you two get to be my guinea pigs!

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AMY

I've tried your concoctions before. I wouldn't risk testing them on actual guinea pigs.

PENNY

Come on guys! I don't want to work at the Cheesecake Factory forever! Please?

BERNADETTE

What you got, bestie?

PENNY

Thank you, Bernadette. I have a delicious drink here that I call Orange Explosion. (she hands Bernadette the drink)

BERNADETTE

(TRIES IT AND MAKES A FACE) It tastes like something exploded, but I don't think it was an orange.

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PENNY

OK, OK, try this one (she goes to hand it to Bernadette)

BERNADETTE

Oh no! This guinea pig has left the cage.

PENNY

Amy?

AMY

Oh, very well.

PENNY

OK, (HANDS HER A DRINK) I call this one Tahitian Tornado.

AMY

(TAKES A DRINK AND SPRAY SPITS IT OUT) Penny, I'm no bar tender, but I'm fairly

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AMY (CONT’D)

certain that mixing windex and urine is a disastrous combination.

PENNY

OK, I have one more drink. I call it Apple Amnesia.

BERNADETTE

Honey, you can call it whatever you want. I am not trying it.

PENNY

Come on, please! I saved the best for last. Here, we'll all try it together.

BERNADETTE

Well...what are besties for?

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AMY

Very well. (THEY ALL TAKE A DRINK) Mmmm...I don't know if it simply seems so decadent because my expectations were so low, or if it actually is that good.

BERNADETTE

All I know is that I want some more (BERNADETTE EMPTIES HER GLASS)

CUT TO THEM ALL DRUNK

PENNY

So what is the best thing you've ever gotten a guy to do for you without having to put out?

Bernadette

I once got a guy to streak at a USC football game.

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PENNY

I once got this rich guy who liked me to get me a Caribbean cruise for two. The best part, though, is I went with this totally hot pizza delivery guy.

BERNADETTE

What about you, Amy?

AMY

OK...I once got a guy to finish my calculus homework for me when I was sick.

PENNY

Oh, sweetie. Someone failed you. You never learned to use what you got?

AMY

I don't really "got" all that much to work with.

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BERNADETTE

Oh shut up! What you got is some great T and A. (smells Amy's hair) Not to mention your hair smells like a Victoria Secret photo shoot. If I were a guy you'd probably be pregnant by now.

AMY

Oh, I appreciate it. But I don't think I'm all that...

PENNY

Amy....shhhh...Leonard invited me to Comic-Con. I wasn't going to go, but this will be the perfect chance for you to learn how to use what God gave you.

AMY

What should I wear?

PENNY

You just leave that to us.

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1/27/13 FINAL DRAFT (I/C)

SCENE C

INT. LEONARD AND SHELDON’S APARTMENT – NIGHT (NIGHT 1)

(Leonard, Sheldon, Koothrappali, Wolowitz, Harish, Shariq, Lahar)

LEONARD

(ON PHONE) Oh OK, good idea. OK, bye. (HANGS UP) That was Raj. He's bringing his friends up so we can have a practice trivia match.

SHELDON

I'll bet they don't know the green lantern from the green hornet, but very well. Let's humor Raj.

RAJ WALKS IN WITH HIS THREE FRIENDS WHO LOOK LIKE THE INDIAN VERSIONS OF SHELDON, LEONARD, AND HOWARD

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KOOTHRAPPALI

Guys, I'd like you to meet Sheldon, Leonard and Howard. This is Shariq, Lahar, and Harish.

LEONARD

So, besides for Comic-Con, what are your plans while you're here in America?

HARISH

I'm going be spending a lot of time in the bars, clubs, laundromats, anywhere to pick up as many hot American chicks as I can while I'm here. You have no idea what it's like to live with your mother.

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WOLOWITZ

Actually I do. But the laundromat is really just a place to pick up chicks in the movies. Trust me I've tried. Many times.

SHARIQ

Yes, and I'll be attending the seminar on adhesion forces reduction for micro manipulation based on micro physics.

SHELDON

Next Friday?

SHARIQ

Yes, as a matter of fact.

SHELDON

Let me offer a word of advice. I know you're here in America and you want to just go for the gusto, but you should really be

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SHELDON (CONT’D)

well versed in micro-dissection, micro-vivisection, and micro-isolation first. Else there's a high probability you'll just get lost.

SHARIQ

That's what I told these guys, but they still want to come for some reason. Actually you should check out my essay on micro-vivisection.

SHELDON

Is it even in English?

SHARIQ

Of course, and besides for Hindi I also translated it into German and Japanese.

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SHELDON

I once gave a lecture on Uranium-235 in Tokyo and of course they assigned me the best translator in Japan. Instead of wasting time learning languages for my own benefit I spent that time solving the world's problems.

SHARIQ

I –

LEONARD

Lahar, why are you so quiet over there? What are your plans?

LAHAR

I have recently had my heart shattered into a million pieces. So I'll be cruising for chicks with Harish to try and forget about her with some American flings.

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LEONARD

If he's anything like Howard that might be harder than it sounds.

KOOTHRAPPALI

Alright guys, are you ready for the trivia match? I'll be the referee.

LEONARD

But Raj, you're going to be on our team for the real trivia match. Why don't you practice on our team?

KOOTHRAPPALI

(LOOKS AT INDIAN FRIENDS) Well we need a referee and it's fair this way. OK, your first question: who is the Scarlet Witch's twin brother?

SHELDON

Not so fast, Raj. We have no buzz in system. I suggest we –

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SHARIQ

Quicksilver.

KOOTHRAPPALI

That is correct.

SHELDON

But I –

KOOTHRAPPALI

Second question: in which issue of GI Joe did Quick Kick die?

HARISH

Issue 155.

KOOTHRAPPALI

Wrong.

SHELDON

Issue 109.

SHARIQ

Yes, an artist mistakenly put him on the cover of issue 155.

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1/27/13 FINAL DRAFT (I/C)

SHELDON

Despite dying 46 issues earlier.

SHARIQ

Do you see what I have to put up with?

SHELDON

Oh, you have no idea. These guys once thought that electron capture was shortened to e-capture.

SHARIQ

While of course it is known as k-capture.

SHELDON

Indeed. But, they're the best that I could do here in Pasadena.

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1/27/13 FINAL DRAFT (I/C)

SHARIQ

I know what you mean. Sometimes I think about moving to Antarctica just so that I could always be around truly gifted scientists.

Sheldon

I've often contemplated the same thing.

Leonard

You know we can hear you. Let's just continue.

HARISH

Actually, we've gotta run. There's a club in Hollywood that I'm sure is just full of easy American girls.

THEY START WALKING OUT.

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SHARIQ

I'll be going to observe the phenomenon of the effect of foreign accents on the attraction of American women.

KOOTHRAPPALI

And I'll be going with them. But I'll see you guys at Comic-Con.

WOLOWITZ

But are you ready for the trivia contest? We're going to stay here and study.

KOOTHRAPPALI

I haven't seen my friends in so long. It'll be fine. (Raj and Indian friends leave)

SHELDON

I'm beginning to suspect that Raj isn't taking this as seriously as the rest of us.

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LEONARD

Oh come on, guys. He hasn't seen his friends in a long time. But did you notice anything funny about Raj's friends?

WOLOWITZ

Yeah, Raj seems to have a certain group of friends he likes to hang out with.

SHELDON

Yes, apparently he likes to hang out with pompous know it alls like that Shariq. I mean, he does seem somewhat intelligent but being around someone like that all the time would be simply exhausting.

LEONARD

Maybe that's why I've been more tired than usual since you moved in.

FADE OUT

END OF ACT ONE

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1/27/13 FINAL DRAFT (II/D)

ACT TWO

SCENE D

INT. COMIC-CON – DAY (DAY 2)

(Koothrappali, Shariq, Harish, Lahar, Misty, Girl 1, Girl 2, Rufus and friends, extras)

RAJ, SHARIQ, HARISH, AND LAHAR ARE WALKING AROUND COMIC-CON.  
 HARISH

Raj, where are all of the women?

KOOTHRAPPALI

You're in a different country, not a different planet. Women don't come to Comic –-

JUST THEN SCANTILY CLAD WOMEN WALK UP TO THEM; 2 ARE DRESSED UP, ONE IS IN REGULAR CLOTHES

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GIRL 1

Excuse us, boys, would you happen to know where we can find some a woman’s superhero costume? We're going to be in a group costume contest, but Misty forgot her costume back in Phoenix.

MISTY

Actually, a villain costume would be even better. Sometimes I like to be bad.

HARISH

And what costume exactly is such a beautiful lady looking for?

MISTY

(giggles) The more revealing the better (giggles)

LAHAR

I'm sorry but we don't know where to find one.

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GIRL 2

That's too bad, because there's a finder's fee (touches Harish on the chest)

HARISH

What Lahar meant was that we totally know where to get a costume. He's drunk, don't mind him. Yeah, we can have your costume within the hour.

MISTY

You'd do that for me? OK, let's meet back here in an hour then (giggles, the girls walk off)

SHARIQ

You know your bluff might just backfire on you. Where do you propose we find a costume?

LAHAR

We're at Comic-Con. There must be plenty of costumes we can get.

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SHARIQ

Let me rephrase - where do you propose we find a female costume?

LAHAR

Yeah, that is going to be tough.

HARISH

(walks up to a booth) Excuse me, do you know where we might find a female costume?

GUY

Ebay?

RAJ

I'm going to go ask over there. (walks off)

RUFUS AND FRIENDS WALK UP.

RUFUS

Well, well, well, where is your friend Raj going?

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RUFUS CRONY

And why isn't he with his team?

LAHAR

What concern is it of yours?

RUFUS

Well, a little birdie told us that Raj missed a practice because his friends are visiting from India. You must be them.

SHARIQ

And you must be Sherlock Holmes' grandson.

RUFUS

Listen, if you can make Raj miss the trivia contest at 6:00 tonight, we can make it worth your while.

LAHAR

How?

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RUFUS

Name your price.

HARISH

We want a woman's superhero costume.

RUFUS

(gives a funny look) Hey, whatever you're into, we're not here to judge. But we are very well connected here.

RUFUS CRONY LEROY

We're like the geek mafia.

RUFUS

Thank you, LeRoy. Meet us at the World of Warcraft booth in half an hour. We'll have the goods. Gentlemen. (claps and they all walk off)

RAJ COMES WALKING UP.

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RAJ

No luck. Hey, was that Rufus?

LAHAR

Oh - um, I don't know, whoever he was he was just looking for the World of Warcraft booth.

RAJ

Oh, OK. Well good luck on finding the costume, guys. I have to go and get ready with my team.

HARISH

Um, er - wait just a minute, Raj. I feel like we haven't gotten a chance to catch up.

RAJ

Sure we have. You're trying to get some, you're (Lahar) trying to find love, and you're (Shariq) trying to advance your career.

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SHARIQ

Actually that sums it up quite nicely.

LAHAR

Raj, you know your sister broke my heart. We were engaged and she broke it off.

RAJ

Oh here we go.

LAHAR

The least you can do is have dinner with us.

RAJ

Oh, very well. (under his breath) You know, I never realized how wise my sister is.

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SCENE E

INT. COMIC-CON FOOD COURT – EVENING (DAY 2)

(Sheldon, Leonard, Wolowitz, extras)

SHELDON, LEONARD, AND WOLOWITZ ARE SITTING AT A TABLE AT THE FOOD COURT.

SHELDON

Next question. What planet is Silver Surfer from?

LEONARD AND HOWARD LOOKING AT HOWARD'S PHONE

LEONARD

Maybe he's just planning on meeting us at the contest.

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SHELDON

I knew I should've brought my shocking equipment. No, that's incorrect. The correct answer is Zenn-La.

HOWARD

Let me try his cell phone again.

SHELDON

Apparently I'm the only one who knows the value of practice. However, I need it the least. Coincidence?

LEONARD

I know you're not talking about social skills. Sheldon, you know as well as we do that Raj is on the roster, so if he doesn't show up then we forfeit, so finding him is a little more important than a few more practice questions.

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SHELDON

Raj is just showing his friends around. He'll be there.

WOLOWITZ

Oh wake up, Sheldon! He ditched us.

SHELDON

(frazzled) Nobody ditched us! He'll be there! I am not losing to Rufus and I am not being pushed aside for some horny guys from New Dehli!...Even if that Shariq is remarkably clever. Are you going to finish those Fantastic Four fries? (grabs some of Leonard's fries)

WOLOWITZ

I've got it! We can tell Raj that Penny's about to commit suicide because she's afraid Raj is going to move back to India with his friends and has secretly been madly in love with him this whole time!

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SHELDON

That's preposterous. We'll just tell Raj that Leonard's just been bitten on the neck by a black widow and has minutes to live.

LEONARD

Guys! Listen to yourselves. You sound like a couple of drama queen teenage girls. Let's handle this like adults. Obviously we all are good friends with Raj but he has to make this decision on his own. If we pull some stunt like you guys are talking about then we'll just push him away even more once he finds out the truth.

SHELDON

Hmmm...I suppose you have a valid point. So what do you propose then, Leonard?

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LEONARD

We have two hours until the contest. Let's walk around, enjoy Comic-Con, and keep our eyes peeled for Raj.

HOWARD

I see where you're going with this, I'll get some chloroform for when we find him. He just has to be there, unconscious or not, right?

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1/27/13 FINAL DRAFT (II/F)

SCENE F

INT. COMIC-CON FOOD COURT – EVENING (DAY 2)

(Penny, Amy, Bernadette, Sheldon, Leonard, Wolowitz, bit players, extras)

PENNY AND BERNADETTE ARE IN SEXY COSTUMES. THEY'RE TALKING TO AMY WHO IS HIDING BEHIND A PARTITION

PENNY

Amy, you look great, come on.

AMY

I've changed my mind. I don't need to know how to get guys to do things for me.

PENNY

Just come on out here. It's just Bernadette and I.

AMY

No.

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BERNADETTE

Amy Farah Fowler! You march your booty out here this instance! Don't make me come back there!

AMY COMES OUT IN SEXY COSTUME.

BERNADETTE

You look drop dead gorgeous! Now let's go!

PENNY

OK, the first thing you have to keep in mind is that you're what these guys fantasize about while they're playing dungeons and dragons. They make girls that look like you characters in their little games because they know that between that and internet porn it's the closest they'll get to a girl like you. So if you approach one of these guys you're going to catch them totally by surprise and they'll

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PENNY (CONT’D)

be eating out of the palm of your hand. There's also a phenomenon that if you act dumb it makes them even more hypnotized. Watch.

WALKS UP TO A COUPLE GUYS.

Excuse me, boys (giggles) but my friends and I were wondering if my wonder woman costume is like the real one (giggles).

GUY 1

Ahhh, it looks, umm....

GUY 2

What my friend is trying to say is that you're just missing your wrist guards - not to say that you don't look amazing without them it's just that if you're going for the conventional wonder woman look, which you don't have to,

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GUY 2 (CONT’D)

ummm... let me see if we can find some for you just in case. (they run off)

PENNY

It's as easy as that. Oh, one more thing. If you run into a Howard type, no offense...

BERNADETTE

None taken.

PENNY

Then you just have to go on the offensive and he'll back down. OK, you try. How about those guys over there?

AMY

Very well. (walks up to Iron Man and Wolverine) Excuse me, gentlemen, (looks at Penny who is twirling her hair and

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AMY (CONT’D)

telling her to act stupid) but I was like, totally wondering which one of you is stronger.

IRON MAN

Well, I think it's safe to say that since Iron Man can lift 100 tons he's clearly the stronger one.

WOLVERINE

Iron Man's suit is strong, yes, but without it he's as strong as a regular joe. I can get a bulldozer but that doesn't make me strong.

IRON MAN

Iron Man is a genius that invented the suit, so he can always be that strong when he needs it.

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WOLVERINE

Let's just say that one on one, Iron Man wouldn't stand a chance.

IRON MAN

Oh yeah? Let's see about that! (he starts wrestling with Wolverine)

AMY

OK, thanks guys. (walks away) Wow, why am I just now finding out about this?

AQUAMAN WALKS UP TO THEM

AQUAMAN

So ladies, care for a tour from Aquaman?

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AMY

(looks at Penny who makes a face) Not for all the sushi in the ocean, aquajerk. (he walks away) This is fun.

LEONARD, WOLOWITZ, AND SHELDON WALK UP TO THEM.

SHELDON

Amy! Where are your clothes?!

WOLOWITZ

Gentlemen, we are now the coolest guys at Comic-Con.

AMY

Come on, make it quick guys. We're busy.

LEONARD

Have you seen Raj? We need him for the trivia contest.

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BERNADETTE

No. Afraid he ditched you, huh?

WOLOWITZ

How did you know that?

BERNADETTE

I've seen that panicked look on your face before, dear. You guys need to tell him how it's not just about the trivia contest. You need to tell him how much his friendship means.

LEONARD

It's not that easy.

AMY

Sure it is. Now are we about done here?

HOWARD

Why are you in such a hurry? Are you going to be in the costume contest?

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PENNY

Now that's not a bad idea.

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SCENE G

INT. COMIC-CON FOOD COURT – EVENING (DAY 2)

(Sheldon, Leonard, Wolowitz, Koothrappali, Shariq, Harish, Lahar, Klingon, extras)

SHELDON, LEONARD, AND WOLOWITZ ARE TALKING.

SHELDON

Did you know that Comic Con started out in the basement of the Grant Hotel for 300 people?

LEONARD

You don't say.

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SHELDON

But I do say, and a few years later they were robbed and had to ask for donations to pay their bills, without which this marvelous spectacle we're participating in today would be non existent.

LEONARD

Huh.

SHELDON

Do you not know fascinating tidbits when you hear them? If you need some help, I'll act as your personal alarm for interesting facts. Buzzzzzzzzz you just heard two.

LEONARD

Sheldon, it's just that we're a little preoccupied now. I'm afraid that if we don't find Raj really soon, we're going to have to forfeit.

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HOWARD

OK, so let's think about this logically. Where would Raj and his three friends freshly arrived from India be?

LEONARD

Let's see, it's about dinner time...

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McDonald's!

THEY SPOT RAJ AND HIS FRIENDS EATING AT MCDONALD'S.

SHELDON

Mental note, when I accomplish all of my goals in the field of physics, I'm going to try my hand as a detective.

THEY APPROACH RAJ AND FRIENDS.

WOLOWITZ

Hey Raj, you're cutting it a little close, wouldn't you say?

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KOOTHRAPALI

Oh, hey guys! I was just about to text you.

LEONARD

Save it, Raj. What's the deal? Are you going to be at the trivia contest or not?

KOOTHRAPALI

I –

SHARIQ

Actually, Stan Lee is going to be answering questions and signing autographs at the same time as your trivial trivia contest. So I'm afraid we won't be making it.

SHELDON

There is nothing trivial about the contest. Those sound like the words of someone who couldn't even hope to compete.

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LARAH

Oh please. You know they do have Comic Con in India. San Diego isn't the center of the universe.

WOLOWITZ

If you're so confident, how about a little battle? (looks at watch) Since we're short on time, one question, winner take Raj.

KOOTHRAPALI

Guys –

SHARIQ

Say good bye to your friend.

HARISH

OK, to make it fair, let's select an impartial referee. Let's see...

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(they all look around and scan past semi normal looking people until they see a guy dressed as a Clingon)

ALL TOGETHER

Him!

SHELDON

(speaks Klingon to the Klingon)

KLINGON

I'd love to. OK, you guys look like worthy contestants so let me think of a tough one. OK! What disease did Kirk infect Odona with in The Mark of Gideon?

WOLOWITZ

Vegan Meningitis.

KLINGON

Incorrect.

SHARIQ

Vegan Choriomeningitis,

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KLINGON

That is correct. (chuckles) meningitis (chuckles as he walks away)

HARISH

Ha! Maybe it's better for you that we save you the humiliation of competing. Raj, let's go.

KOOTHRAPALI

I just –

SHARIQ

You can finish your chicken nuggets later.

KOOTHRAPALI

No! I don't want to finish my chicken nuggets later! I mean, I am not a piece of meat! You can't just gamble with me. I just need some time to think. (starts walking away)

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LEONARD

Hey Raj...

RAJ

What?!!

LEONARD

I just wanted to say that we've missed you over the last few days. Whether you come to the contest or not, I hope you come back to Pasadena

RAJ WALKS OFF.

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SCENE H

INT. COMIC-CON – NIGHT (NIGHT 2)

(Sheldon, Leonard, Wolowitz, Koothrappali, Rufus and friends, Misty and friends, extras)

SHELDON, LEONARD, AND HOWARD ARE IN COSTUME AS ARE RUFUS AND FRIENDS.

WOLOWITZ

Do you guys ever wish that tights were mainstream garb? I kinda like the way it feels.

LEONARD AND SHELDON LOOK AT HIM.

WOLOWITZ

I don't care what you say, I'm wearing these under my pants from now on.

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RUFUS

I had a hunch that your team would be sans Raj. It's starting to feel like 2008 all over again.

WOLOWITZ

Why? You can't find a date this year either?

RUFUS

Make your pathetic musings if you must, but your team has two minutes to be 100% present or we win...again.

SHELDON

What's pathetic to me is a team that counts on their opponent forfeiting as their only means of gaining victory. But Raj will be here any second.

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WOLOWITZ

(to Rufus) It looks like you're enjoying those tights a bit too much...weirdo.

RAJ WALKS UP WITH A BEER IN EACH HAND.

KOOTHRAPALI

Hey guys, which brew is stronger, Thor (holds up one beer) or the Incredible Hulk (holds up the other)

LEONARD

I don't know Raj, but it's great to see you.

KOOTHRAPALI

It's the Thor, surprisingly. I hope that's one of the questions.

Sheldon

See, I knew Raj would show up.

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KOOTHRAPALI

Really? Because I didn't. It was a tough decision so I had to get advice from my pal, brewski.

SHELDON

Well at any rate, Rufus, ha! In your face!

RUFUS

That makes no difference. You'll still be tasting the sting of defeat shortly.

REFEREE

Gentlemen, please take your seats and we'll begin. Ready? Who had recurring dreams about wonder woman?

KOOTHRAPALI

(buzzes in) Rufus, and they were the wet kind, if you know what I mean.

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REFEREE

No. Team Rufus?

RUFUS' FRIEND

Superman, of course.

REFEREE

Correct. OK, next question. Who's henchmen caused his ultimate defeat in San Diego?

KOOTHRAPALI

Again, Rufus. This isn't fair if you're in the questions, dude.

RUFUS' FRIEND

Scarecrow.

REFEREE

Correct.

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SHELDON

Time out! Raj, what are you doing?! Please just sit there and don't answer any more questions!

MISTY AND FRIENDS ARE BEHIND RUFUS.

MISTY

I can't believe those guys flaked on us. I was totally going to make it worth their while if they would've come through with that costume for me.

RUFUS

Excuse me, that was for you? I heard about your plight and it just so happens that we have an extra catwoman costume that should fit you quite nicely.

Misty

Really?! Where is it?

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RUFUS

It's at our booth over there. I'll get it to you after this trivia contest.

MISTY'S FRIEND

But the costume contest starts in 10 minutes.

MISTY

I have something better than a trivia contest.

RUFUS

On second thought, I can get it to you right now.

SHELDON

You're going to forfeit, just like that?

RUFUS

Howard was right, I haven't had a date all year.

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RUFUS AND FRIENDS WALK OFF WITH MISTY AND FRIENDS.

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SCENE I

INT. PIZZA PARLOR – NIGHT (NIGHT 2)

(Sheldon, Leonard, Wolowitz, Koothrappali, Penny, Amy, Bernadette, extras)

THEY ARE ALL SITTING AROUND A TABLE WITH PIZZA AND DRINKS.

PENNY

OK, you all have a packet of sugar in front of you. I emptied one of the sugars and replaced it with salt. Who has it, no one knows. On the count of three, we all shoot it. OK, ready –

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SHELDON

The premise of this game is preposterous. I would never eat pure salt, or sugar for that matter.

PENNY

Neither would we, Sheldon. But the game is fun because we don't know who's going to get the salt.

SHELDON

Ah, I see. Somewhat like Russian roulette.

PENNY

Right, except there's no guns, no one dies, and we're just playing for fun.

BERNADETTE

Oh Sheldon! Just eat it! 1, 2, 3...

(Sheldon gets the salt and spits it out into his napkin)

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PENNY

When I said that no one knows who has the salt...I kinda fibbed.

WOLOWITZ

Well played, Penny.

PENNY

Thank you. So your friends are back in India, Raj?

KOOTHRAPALI

Yeah, it turns out that my real friends are right here.

PENNY

See, drinking does lead to some good decisions.

LEONARD

Hey, I'm sorry that you ladies didn't win the costume contest.

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AMY

Quite alright, Leonard. We had a great time and I learned how to use a very valuable tool.

LEONARD

Valuable tool?

SHELDON IS GRABBING THE LAST BREAD STICK AND AMY PUTS HER HAND ON HIS.

AMY

Hey sweetie, I kinda wanted the last bread stick.

SHELDON

But I believe I should have it. I have a higher mass and require a greater proportion of the food.

AMY

(rubs his shoulders) Pretty please?

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SHELDON

I'm sorry, but that's hardly a logical argument as to why you should get it.

PENNY

I forgot to tell you. On extremely rare occasions you'll come across a guy who actually does all of his thinking with his brain.