

V8.3 - The Big Bang Theory: Sheldon and Penny Exchange Presents

Part 1 – Topic Speaking: Gift Giving

Directions: Discuss the following questions with a partner.

1. For what occasions do people give gifts in your country?
2. What would you do if you were dating someone and you had no money to buy them a gift for their birthday?
3. What advice would you give to someone who had forgotten their mother or father's birthday?
4. Have you ever received a surprising and/or amazing gift?
5. What kind of gift do couples give each other for a holiday or birthday?
6. What kind of gift do you get your parents for a holiday or birthday?
7. What kind of gift do you expect from your parents for a holiday or birthday?
8. Do you enjoy shopping for others?
9. Have you ever re-gifted something?
10. Have you ever received a gift you didn't like?

Part 2A - Vocabulary Review:

Directions: Discuss the meaning with a partner. Next, review as a class.

| Vocabulary | * | Definition or Translation |
|---------------------|----|---------------------------|
| 1. devised | 3 | |
| 2. feigning | 3 | |
| 3. distress | 3 | |
| 4. refund | 3 | |
| 5. brilliant | 4 | |
| 6. nauseated | 5 | |
| 7. gracious | 7 | |
| 8. don't be alarmed | 16 | |
| 9. possess | 20 | |
| 10. appreciated | 28 | |

*NOTE: the number indicates where the vocabulary is located in the script.

Part 2B - Vocabulary Speaking:

Directions: Choose 5 vocabulary words and create a question. Next, discuss your questions with a partner.

| Word | Question |
|-----------|---|
| Ex: tough | What is the <i>toughest</i> course you have ever taken? |
| 1. | |
| 2. | |
| 3. | |
| 4. | |
| 5. | |

Part 3 – Script & Video

Directions: Complete Back2Back Reading (see Script below), then watch the video.

Part 4 - Comprehension Questions:

Directions: Discuss with a partner then review as a class.

1. What was Sheldon's plan for the gift dilemma?

2. What was Sheldon's idea of excusing himself after Penny gives him the present?

3. Why did Sheldon ask Leonard if it is okay to put the scented stuff in Leonard's room?

4. What was the present Penny got for Sheldon?

5. What was the present Penny got for Leonard?

6. Why did Leonard get "101 Totally Cool Science Experiments for Kids" for Penny?

7. Why do you think Penny said she was into science?

8. What did Sheldon give to Penny?

9. Why did Sheldon give Penny so many gifts?

10. Why was Penny surprised when Sheldon gave her a hug?

Part 5 – Writing:

Directions: In 2 to 3 sentences, write your opinion about the video.

A – Back2Back Reading

Directions: Read 'odd' numbers +
Listen & fill in 'even' numbers



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4. **Leonard:** _____.

5. **Sheldon:** It is, isn't it? Is it okay if I hide them in your room? The smell makes me nauseated.

6. **Leonard:** Do _____ you want.

7. **Sheldon:** Thank you, that's very gracious. Gentlemen.

8. **Howard:** Why couldn't you have just done what Leonard did and _____ Penny a new boyfriend?

9. **Leonard:** My leg is killing me. Thanks for asking.

10. **Penny:** _____ Christmas.

11. **Leonard:** Merry Christmas.

12. **Penny:** _____ your leg?

13. **Leonard:** Very good, thanks for asking. Come on in.

14. **Sheldon:** Ah, good, Penny, you're here to _____ gifts. You'll be _____ to know I'm _____ for whatever you have to _____.

15. **Penny:** Okay, here.

16. **Sheldon:** I should _____ I'm having some _____, so, if I excuse myself _____, don't be _____. Oh, a napkin.

17. **Penny:** Turn it over.

18. **Sheldon:** To Sheldon, live long and _____. Leonard Nimoy.

19. **Penny:** Yeah, he came into the restaurant. Sorry the napkin's dirty. He wiped his mouth with it.

20. **Sheldon:** I _____ the DNA of Leonard Nimoy?!

21. **Penny:** Well, yeah, yeah, I guess. But look, he signed it.

22. **Sheldon:** Do you _____ what this means? All I need is a _____ ovum and I can _____ my own Leonard Nimoy!

23. **Penny:** Okay, all I'm giving you is the napkin, Sheldon.

24. **Sheldon:** Be _____ back.

25. **Penny:** Here. Open it.

26. **Leonard:** Oh, a gift _____ for _____ lessons. Very _____.

27. **Penny:** Yeah, and I checked. Not letting the bike fall on you while standing still is lesson one.

28. **Leonard:** Oh, then, I think you'll _____ what I got you.

29. **Penny:** Okay. 101 Totally Cool Science Experiments for Kids.

30. **Leonard:** You know, 'cause you're _____ _____ _____.

31. **Penny:** Sheldon! What did you do?!

32. **Sheldon:** I know! It's not _____, is it? Here.

33. **Penny:** Leonard, look! Sheldon's hugging me.

34. **Leonard:** It's a Saturnalia _____.

B – Back2Back Reading

Directions: Read 'even' numbers +
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23. **Penny:** Okay, all I'm giving you is the _____, Sheldon.
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28. **Leonard:** Oh, then, I think you'll appreciate what I got you.
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Part 4 - Comprehension Questions & Answers

| QUESTIONS & ANSWERS |
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| <p>1. What was Sheldon's plan for the gift dilemma? (line 1-3)</p> <p>Sheldon's plan for the gift dilemma is to buy many different gift baskets. Then, once he receives Penny's gift, he will look up the price of Penny's gift online, choose the basket closest to that value and return the others for a refund.</p> |
| <p>2. What was Sheldon's idea of excusing himself after Penny gives him the present? (line 1-3)</p> <p>Sheldon's idea of excusing himself after Penny gives him the present is to feign digestive distress so he can then get the gift basket from Leonard's room.</p> |
| <p>3. Why did Sheldon ask Leonard if it is okay to put the scented stuff in Leonard's room? (line 5-7)</p> <p>Sheldon asks Leonard if it is okay to put the scented stuff in Leonard's room because they make him nauseated.</p> |
| <p>4. What was the present Penny got for Sheldon? (line 15-24)</p> <p>The present Penny got for Sheldon was the napkin that Leonard Nimoy (Spock from Star Trek) had signed and wiped his mouth with.</p> |
| <p>5. What was the present Penny got for Leonard? (line 25-30)</p> <p>The present Penny got for Leonard is a gift certificate for motorcycle lessons.</p> |
| <p>6. Why did Leonard get "101 Totally Cool Science Experiments for Kids" for Penny? (line 25-30)</p> <p>Leonard got "101 Totally Cool Science Experiments for Kids" for Penny because she said she was 'so' into science.</p> |
| <p>7. Why do you think Penny said she was into science?</p> <p>Penny said she was into (likes) science because that is what her husband (Leonard) enjoys most in life. Penny actually doesn't care much about science.</p> |
| <p>8. What did Sheldon give to Penny? (line 31-32)</p> <p>Sheldon gave Penny all the baskets he bought.</p> |
| <p>9. Why did Sheldon give Penny so many gifts?</p> <p>Sheldon gave Penny so many gifts because he loved his napkin gift so much that he feels that he must give Penny a gift that shows how happy he is.</p> |
| <p>10. Why was Penny surprised when Sheldon gave her a hug? (line 31-34)</p> <p>Penny was surprised when Sheldon gave her a hug because Sheldon rarely hugs someone.</p> |