## **BIG BANG THEORY**

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"The Dead Hooker Juxtaposition"

INT. LAUNDRY ROOM

Penny is doing laundry. Alicia enters with a laundry basket.

ALICIA: Hi.

PENNY: (flat) Oh, hi.

ALICIA: Guess what? I got the part.

PENNY: Of course you did.

ALICIA: Something wrong?

PENNY: No, no, congratulations. I think you'll make a great hooker.

Part from ALICIA: Thank you. (then) Hey, I gotta ask you something. How much do physicists make?

PENNY: I don't know. I don't think a lot.

ALICIA: Yeah, that's what I figured.

PENNY: Why?

ALICIA: Just curious. (checking the time) Ooh, gotta run. The guys promised to set up my satellite dish and paint my bedroom. Yay!

ALICIA HEADS FOR THE EXIT.

PENNY: Hey-can I talk to you about that for a sec?

ALICIA: About what?

PENNY: Well, it's just—Leonard and Howard and Raj are not like other guys, or even like...guys.

They're special.

ALICIA: Okay, they're special...and?

PENNY: How can I explain this—it's like, they don't know how to use their shields.

ALICIA: Shields?

PENNY: You know, like in "Star Trek," when you're in battle and you raise the shields? (TO HERSELF) Where the hell'd that come from? (THEN) Look, I'm just saying, you know how guys like this are. So...just don't take advantage of them.

ALICIA: Who says I'm taking advantage of them?

PENNY: C'mon, they're doing everything for you because you're leading them on.

ALICIA: So I let them do stuff for me. They're happy, I get stuff—who cares? (THEN) And how is it any different from what you do?

PENNY: Excuse me?

ALICIA: I've seen you around them. Are you pretending you don't do the exact same thing?

PENNY: Okay, lady, you are way outta line.

PENNY: Yes, you're outta line.

ALICIA: Oh, I'm outta line?

ALICIA: Well, what are you gonna do about it...bitch?

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