

Youth 2019 x-mas <Inception X-mas>

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Cast:

Rachel

Amy

Gina-puppet master

Pastor Yvonne

News caster: eph

Sydney-sydney puppet

ACT 1

Winter time, X-mas b-roll. Amy and Rachel and Gina? On Couch. Are busy studying for finals in red room. Pencil, notebook, books.

Amy: Rachel how do you do this problem? If f of x is a function like this and g of x is this, how are you supposed to solve for x knowing that a and b are prime numbers? *(or some other school problem)*

Rachel: Umm.. (Shrugs)

Amy: Ughhhh (Frustrated) this makes nooo sense.

Rachel: Amy how do you ...*(put in some school problem here. Shows her paper)*

Amy: Does it look like I know?

(Rachel takes back paper)

Amy: Why do finals even exist? In the real world, if I really needed to know this... I would just.. Look it up! Nobody needs to memorize these formulas.

Yvonne comes in room waving script in air excitedly
Yvonne: "it's the mossttt wonderful timmmeee of the yeaarr" You know what's such a huge highlight of christmas for me every year?

Rachel: sleeping all day for Winter break?

Amy: Yassssss (falls back on couch to sleep)

Yvonne: Noooooo... The annual Youth Skit! (waves script and puts it on table)

Amy: (pokes just her head up and looks at script glaringly then at Rachel) Ummm...

Amy+Rachel Together: passsss

Yvonne: What! You guys have to do it! Ephraim spent all last night finishing it up so you guys can practice today

Amy: I think I should be exempt because I'm tiiirreed. I spent all last night studying--

Rachel: Well I spent all last night studying AND doing college apps, so Hah!

Amy: Yah! Plus how are we supposed to do the skit with just the two of us. That whole "youth group tradition thing" only works if there's even enough youth.

Yvonne: Well you guys can do like... puppets! (puts 2 hands up like puppets)

(hand 1)"Hi I'm Bob what a lovely youth group you have here"

(PY)"Wow thanks Bob! I'm Pastor Yvonne, say do you have any friends you can introduce me to?"

(hand 1)"Why as a matter of fact I dO! Meet my good friend Mary!"

(2nd hand)"I'm Mary! And dare I point out the fact that now there are THREE OF US"

(PY) "Wow! What an astute observation!" (turns to face the girls with goofy smile)

Amy: (blank stares or whatever reaction you choose) Anyways, I'm going to nap now good nighttttt (leans on Rachel to sleep)

Rachel: niiiiight

Pastor Yvonne:(About to say something, but then sighs, picks up script looks at it, then puts it back down on table , walks to door, looks at girls and dims light)

Amy: (dreaming nightmare shifting in her sleep) f of x... prime numbers... puppets... no... not puppets...

(Fade to dream)

ACT 2

Cut to Daniel with his friends .

D: Isn't college so fun guys, hey look at me play the kazzoo.

His friends: woow Daniel you're so cool. I'll bet all your friends back at home really miss you cause you're soooo cool.

D: Yeah pretty much. (Ring ring) oh speak of the angel, one of them is calling me right now

Daniel: Sydney! what's uupp

Sydney: Daniel, did pastor Yvonne call you?

D: no why?

S: Well she called me and said that Amy and Rachel are struggling with the motivation to do the annual youth skit. I tried convincing them but it was no use. It seems they've lost their youth cringy Christmas video motivation!!! (All very sarcastic) I thought maybe you could help motivate them like you motivated us all those years ago.

Daniel: oh my! this really is a problem. You know what this means! We gotta get YG b2g!

S: gotta get the youth group b2 what??

D: Back Two gether!!!!

(Montage Daniel calling up peeps)

~4-5 puppets pop out of tree in redroom. Puppets with holiday hats?

S: Okay so what's the plan?

D: Remember that movie inception? The plan is to implant an idea in their dreams. and then when they wake up, they'll have the motivation to do the yg skit.

S: How the heck do we do that.

D: Easy! first you gotta (whisper whisper) then (whisper whisper)

S: oohh I seee...

D:all right ready?

S: ready!

(they chant at them as slowly get closer to them)

yg b two g you can do anythee

When you wake, then you'll see, cringy vids is so yg

Christmas time legacy . Energy for cringy vees

finals week, that's np. god takes care of everythee!

Yg b2g, yg b2g, yg b2g (repeat)

Puppets push in then awake slowly fade out dream its py shaking them awake

-----lights fluor left to ri py rachel amy

ACT 3

py: Guys wake up wake up

ra: huh. what... what's going on

py: look at the news guys I can't believe it

news casters: and our top news story of the day, breaking news, the united nations council has voted unanimously to cancel christmas this year. all 193 members of the UN agreeing with the new studies that xmas is detrimental for people's health. this latest study from the world health organization, that links holiday stress with increased mortality, lack of productivity, and poverty.

this 50 year comprehensive study concludes that by eliminating christmas, we could live longer, healthier, more fulfilling, and more prosperous lives.

What are people doing with their newfound time and energy now that holiday stress is gone? Find out after the break

PY: wow that makes a lot of sense.

rachel: wait... what?

PY: I mean, every year around christmas, everyone is always so busy, stressed out with all the present shopping, and christmas

activities. It's a wonder why we didn't figure this out sooner. I mean just look at you guys. studying for finals is already hard enough. but combining that with the stress of needing to buy expensive gifts for people, time spent practicing for the skit, maybe it really is better if we just cancel christmas.

Amy: wait..(long deliberate pause)so we're not doing the skit anymore?

PY: I don't see the point anymore, we're not celebrating. honestly your time is better spent getting better grades, than doing silly christmas stuff

rachel: but what about the tradition. and being with family , opening presents, and all those happy times.

PY: well come to think of it... I did JUST see my family a few weeks ago for thanksgiving. really what is the point of having two major holidays less than one month apart. And you know all those presents and gifts... maybe it's time we stop being so materialistic and driven by just giving and getting stuff. Without christmas, now I can really just relax and not worry about buying things I can't afford, for people who may not even need what I'm giving them! people have their birthdays anyways! Christmas was really a redundant holiday...

(commotion outside)

amy: what's going on over there (at window)...

(shot of pile of presents in it. people throwing stuff in xmas trees) (or one big tree with presents under)

(cut back to shot in office, balcony, 3 of them watching)

Amy: what are they doing... why are people throwing their presents in the middle of the street...

wait... (squint) isn't that my operation christmas child box...

(someone lights it and it all goes in flames)

amy's face lit with orange as flame bursts up and everything is on fire.

Amy: (shocked terrified) oh my .. gosh.... Why are they burning all the presents! My operation christmas child box! I spent like 20 dollars on that! What the heck!

PY(beinghd her): (Shrugs) I'm so sorry.. well at least on the bright side, you don't need to do the skit anymore...

Amy(turns to face PY office her background is the fire): What is GOING ON?! How can christmas just be CANCELLED?? I don't care if some dumb study says I'll be better off without christmas. I am legit SO MAD right now. All their reasons for cancelling christmas is so stupid. Christmas is not even supposed to be about giving Presents, or family, or decorations, or stress. That's NOT THE POINT OF CHRISTMAS.

PASTOR YVONNE OF ALL PEOPLE YOU SHOULD KNOW

PY: Well what's christmas about then?

A+R: (Rachel and amy look at each other flabbergasted and in sync) JEEEESSUUUSSSSS!

Rachel: I can't believe WE have to tell you this. giving gifts and spending time with family is great. and that makes christmas fun and memorable. but the real MEANING of Christmas is to Celebrate Jesus' Birth!

A: Yeah! The savior of the world, OUR savior, came down to earth to SAVE us for death. God gave the GIFT of his Son. To give us life so we can spend eternity with our God who loves and cares for our every need! And I don't need no united nations telling ME what's WORTHY of celebrating. Jesus' birth is the most Celebrationary THING worth celebrating!

Rachel: Yeah remember in the bible when jesus was born, a whole chorus of angels appears and celebrates! That's what we should be doing!

PY: right... but...Sooo... what are WE gonna do.

amy: You know what? We're going to make that christmas skit and show it to the world, and tell everybody: the meaning of christmas is to celebrate jesus' birth! And THAT is something the whole world should celebrate. Give me that script! Come on rachel let's practice

rachel: yeah! (they storm off)(trip?)

-----dream transition)

ACT 4

(amy and rachel real wake up from their nap dazed and confused. lights still dim)

amy: oh my gosh rachel I had the WEIRDEST dream.

Rachel: REALLY? ME TOO. Mine was about like christmas being cancelled, and outside they were like --

A+R(sync): Burning all the presents??

Rachel: wait what how did you know!

A: I dreamt the EXACT same thing! Sydney and the other guys were like puppets and they sang this weird song like y-g- something something..

Rachel: Y-G B2G?

AMY: YES, OH MY GOSH THAT IS SO WEIRD

PY:(walks back in turns on light) Wakey wakey sleepy heads!

Amy: PASTOR YVONNE -- So -- rachel and I --interrupt--(had the same dream)

PY (interrupts) Now before you tell me another reason why you don't want to do the skit, let me just tell you... If you don't want to do it.. it's totally fine. I figure there's really not enough time anyways, and there's just the two of you so... we don't need to do it if you don't want to.

(amy and rachel pause....look at each other kinda confused but coming to the same conclusion agreeeingly)

Amy: I want to do it.

Rachel: Yeah, I want to do the skit

PY(shocked!): (taken aback scoff) Wow! Why the sudden change of heart?

amy: okay. (pause getting ready to do this big explanation) So rachel and I JUST had the EXACT same dream....
(begin fade out)

Rachel: Yeah. First, daniel and hannah were like puppets . and they said that you like called me them up to help motivate us to do the skit.

amy: Yeah, and they sang this weird song like yg b2g, we can do anythee....(song lyrics) (audio and visuals fade out christmas tree)

PY: wait what's b2g.

Amy: back two gether...anyways they sang this weird song and then you woke us up, and the news told us christmas was cancelled
(if other youth available for filming ending) shot of them outside redroom, a+r explaining inside. pan to other secretly listening in. youth high 5 each other secretly celebrating success they sneakily walk away)

Shot of Puppet youth outside redroom can high 5 each other sneakily while chanting:

*yg b two g you can do anythee
christmas time legacy cringy vids is so yg (yg b2g, yg b2g...)*