

Scene 1: Clear Non-Consent

**An underline indicates a small puppet pops up to sing that part...*

PJ a clearly drunk puppet and Seal a sleazy sober puppet are chatting and dancing at party.

PJ: I don't feel so good... I'm going to the bathroom. I'll be back.

PJ teeters into the bathroom. Seal follows.

SEAL: *(concerned, yet smooth)* Hey, how ya doin'? I just wanted to come in and check on you.

Seal reaches out and touches PJ's shoulder, arm or side.

PJ: *(Takes a swig of the bottle in hand)* Yeah! Feelin' good, good time! *(Swiveling)* Whew! Don't worry about me... I'll come back to the party in a minute *(sounding upbeat)*

Seal steps toward PJ.

SEAL: Hey...I've been thinking about US. Missing US...

PJ: Well...

Seal moves in for a kiss. PJ pushes Seal aside, bends over the toilet and vomits.

PJ: I don't feel so clear-headed; I've had a lot to drink.

SEAL: Come on, this is a party – let's have some fun. Here, have a breath mint. *(Goes in for a kiss again.)*

PJ: Hey, what the fuck? Give me a minute... *(Sounding pissed)*

SEAL: Just relax, don't be so uptight- you never used to be so uptight- enjoy yourself.

PJ: Seal, I don't know about this, I don't feel so good.

Seal: Come on

Seal pushes PJ backward and closes the shower curtain.

PJ: Hey wait *(distressed)*

A moment later...

PJ: *(muffled)* Let's just go back to the party.

SEAL: Just another minute, baby.

A few minutes go by. Seal quickly leaves while the party goes on around Seal.

Rat Chorus:

***Do you feel an inebriated person is capable of giving consent?
Do you make people feel unfun or unliberated if they don't want to try certain things?***

High, long pause, higher

Scene 2: Clear Consent Scene

Puppet #1: You look hot tonight.

Puppet #2: You too, and I like your dance moves.

Puppet #1: Thanks, but I can hardly move with all these folks here!

Puppet #2: Do you want to go for a walk to get away from the crowd?

Puppet #1: Sure, I thought you'd never ask. Let's go to that park on the corner.

2 puppets, say goodbye to other puppets, begin to walk. Party puppets disappear, music fades, trees appear and you hear murmuring between the two puppets (“It’s so nice out here!” “What a beautiful night” “that DJ rocked” “did you see what PJ was wearing?”)

Puppet #2: I'd really like to kiss you, is that ok?

Puppet #1: Yeah!

Puppets kiss, smooching sounds, enter rats.

Puppet #1: Hey, do you wanna go over there where it looks more private?

Puppet #2: yeah, good idea. It's cool that we're the only ones out here.

(More smooching sounds)

Puppet #1: Mmm hmm. Do you mind if I take off your shirt?

Puppet #2: Sure. Can I take off yours?

Puppet #1: Yeah!

Trees move in, Shirts Fly Up.

Puppet #2: “Ouch, can we shift over? I'm on a rock!” *(Smooching noises & murmuring like)*

Puppet #1: Is that better?

Puppet #2: Mmmm, that feels really good. Do you wanna take off my pants?

Puppet #1: yeah, thanks for asking. Can you take off mine?

Puppets go horizontal. Pants fly up.

Puppet #1: Can I go down on you?

Puppet #2: Na, I'm not into that but I'd like to keep going with this 'cause you feel real good.

Puppet #1: That's cool. I like this.

Puppet #2: What else do you like?

Puppet #1: Actually, I'd really like to touch you there too.

Puppet #2: Yeah, go for it! That's my favorite!

Puppet #1: Cool!

Puppet #2: Mmm mmm mm. Can you do it a little faster?

Turns to smooching sounds, murmuring, music fades on, trees cover puppets and all disappear. Back to the party scene again

Rat Chorus

What are some non-verbal ways to obtain or give consent or non-consent?

(pause) (low) (pause) (high)

How might you express that something happening is not OK?

(pause) (pause) (high)

Do you think consent can be erotic?

Scene 3: Sexually Transmitted Infections Disclosure

Scene

Puppets making out, smoochie sounds...

Puppet 1: Hey, wait a second, there's something I want to talk to you about.

Puppet 2: Ok. What?

Puppet 1: Can we talk about STIs?

Puppet 2: Sure. I've been tested and I'm clean. Why? Is there something wrong with you?

Puppet 1: Ah... no, never mind.

(more smooching)

Rat: Cut. Take 2. Let's try that one again.

Puppets making out, smooching sounds...

Puppet 1: Hey, wait a second, there's something I want to talk to you about.

Puppet 2: Ok. What?

Puppet 1: Well, before this goes any further I wanted to let you know that a year ago I had a break-out of genital warts from HPV. The warts are gone but I don't know if I still have the virus.

Puppet 2: Well, I'm glad you brought this up. I don't know that much about HPV so let's just smooch for now and learn more about it together later.

Puppet 1: Can we smooch *and* dry hump?

Puppet 2: Yeah! I love dry humping!

Puppet 1: Mmmm hmmm!

Rat Chorus

Are you informed about STIs?

Do you get tested regularly?

How do you talk to partners about STIs?

Scene 4: Blurry Consent

At the end of the party, as other puppets are leaving. Puppets are standing together, (waving goodbye if they have arms that move). In the living room. PJ stumbles out.

B- Bye, thanks for coming over

L- (To the drunk puppet) get home safe! Drink lots of water! Call us tomorrow!

B- See you later

L- (To B) wow, what a party! Our friends are crazy! Ha-ha. And you! You had some hott moves out there on the dance floor, babe!

B- Thanks sweetie, it sure was a wild party! Look at the house. Ahh – it's a mess, but I'm too tired to deal with it now.

L- Yeah, it's been a long night, but I've still got some energy left.

B- Really?! I'm exhausted!!! Let's clean up tomorrow.

L- You can't be *that* tired. I don't want to go to bed yet - com'on, hang out with me.

B- *(Sighs)* Ok.

They "sit" down on the couch

L- You were so hot tonight; I love it when you dance like that.

B- Yeah, that's why I am so worn out.

L- Here, let me massage your shoulders.

B- MMMmmmm, that feels good. It's getting me in the mood - to go to sleep.

L- It makes ME want to (leans in to kiss) "smmmmmmmochchhhhh." *(Noise, not word)*

B- *(Scoots away, makes hesitant noise like)* "Ehhh uhh."

L- What's wrong with you - don't you want to kiss me?

B- Well, yeah sure. I'm just tired.

L- Oh babe, but it's not that late. Maybe we could just fool around for a minute.

B- Uhh, well... *(Really hesitant, unsure.)*

L- *(Interrupts)* You know I'll make you feel good.

B- Yeah, I know, it's not that. It's just...

L- Baby, please, why do you have to make it so hard?

B- I'm not trying to be difficult, I really am just tired.

L- Fine, we can just go to sleep if you want. *(annoyed and sarcastic.)*

B- Don't be mad, I'm sorry.

L- You don't *need* to be sorry.

Moves in, makes kissy noises...they kiss and puppet rub for a few seconds

L- Maybe we should go to bed for this... *(Said in sexy voice, implying...)*

B- Yeah, fine *(resigned)*

They walk off the "set" together, presumably to the bedroom. Discussion could be based around the above questions

Rat Chorus

Do you view consent differently for people of different ethnicities, genders, sexes, ages or class?

Do you assume consent in a relationship?

(high, long)

How do you define consent?