



The comedy is about two brilliant physicists and roommates, Leonard Hofstadter and Sheldon Cooper. They are also friends with their Caltech colleagues mechanical engineer Howard Wolowitz and astrophysicist Rajesh Koothrappali. As they are self-professed nerds, all have little or no luck with popular women. When Penny, a pretty woman and an aspiring actress originally from Omaha, moves into the apartment across the hall from Leonard and Sheldon's, Leonard has another aspiration in life, namely to get Penny to be his girlfriend.

Season1 Episode 3 : The Fuzzy Boots Corollary

Scene: The flat, Leonard is taking supplies out of a bag)

Sheldon: Oh, I hope that scratching post is for you.

Leonard: I know what you're thinking. I've *taken your asthma into account*. There's a *feline geneticist* in San Diego who has developed the cutest little *hypo-allergenic* calicos.

Sheldon: Leonard, listen to me...

Leonard: I've been thinking about names, I'm kind of torn between Einstein, Newton and Sergeant Fuzzyboots.

Sheldon: Leonard, do you really think you can satisfy your need for a relationship with a *genetically-altered* cat?

Leonard: Maybe, if it's a cute little *cuddly* cat.

Sheldon: Oh, come on, Leonard! This is obviously about Penny.

Leonard: It doesn't matter. The woman's not interested in me, the woman rejected me.



1. take something into account

- to consider something to be an important factor in some decision

Sample sentence:

We will **take** your long years of service **into account** when we make our final decision.

2. feline geneticist /'fi laɪn dʒə'nɛt ə sɪst / noun

- a specialist or expert in genetics of cats

Sample sentence:

The **feline geneticist** has developed a new breed of cats.

3. hypo-allergenic /,haɪ pɒʊ,æɪ ə'r'dʒɛn ɪk/ adjective

- designed to reduce or minimize the possibility of an allergic response

Sample sentence:

I always buy **hypoallergenic** cosmetics because my skin is very sensitive.

4. genetically-altered cat

- a cat whose genetic material has been altered using genetic engineering techniques for the purpose of improvement or correction of defects

Sample sentence:

Have you seen a **genetically-altered cat**?

5. cuddly /'kʌd li/ adjective

- suitable for or inviting cuddling; of the kind that you want to put your arms around

Sample sentence:

I saw this **cuddly** teddy bear at the store.

Discussion Questions

1. Do you like cats?
2. Are you allergic to some animals or food?
3. People deal with rejection differently. What do you think is the best way to feel better after being rejected?
4. In the scene, Sheldon tried to be honest with Leonard. Do you speak honestly to your friends though it might hurt them?
5. Talk about a time when you helped your friend get over an upsetting situation.

