

BABYSITTER

A Mom and Dad are interviewing candidates to take care of their daughter Lindsay, who is also onstage. It has come down to a Nanny versus a Babysitter.

DAD

Okay, we've narrowed it down to you two. It's a big choice. Sharon and I spend a lot of time at work...

MOM

And Lindsay is a handful.

DAD

So a nanny...

NANNY

I just, again, want to point out that he's not a nanny, he's a babysitter.

DAD

We're too dumb to know the difference.

NANNY

A nanny has first aid training and is cpr certified.

BABYSITTER

This ain't the Ritz.

NANNY

A nanny has a post graduate certificate in early childhood education.

BABYSITTER

I can make a sandwich cut in the shape of an elephant.

NANNY

A nanny is very careful to employ care without infringing on that special bond between parent and child.

BABYSITTER

I'm good at TV Plop and walking off. Plop and Walk.

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DAD

Hmmm... I can't say I have a first aid degree. Is it really necessary?

MOM

I don't want my baby to have unrealistically high standards.

DAD

Tell us more about the plop and walk.

BABYSITTER

Just walk. I'm babysitting 4 kids in 3 houses right now.

DAD

Hmmm. Multi tasker.

NANNY

You're paying for your child to be SUPERVISED.

DAD

Hmm. I never thought of it THAT way.

NANNY

What if something happens to the child?

DAD

Hmmm. I never thought of that. What if something happens to the child?

BABYSITTER

Hmmm. Well, in this hypothetical scenario... I can help myself to anything in the fridge?

MOM

Yes.

BABYSITTER

I get a ride back to my house at the end of the night?

DAD

(whispers to Mom)

Listen to that professional jargon!  
(to babysitter)Yes!

BABYSITTER

The TV works?

MOM

Yes!

BABYSITTER

Sign me up!

NANNY

He didn't answer the question!

DAD

Now see here "high horse!" We don't want some fancy kid. If we're making Kraft Dinner, we don't want some fru fru coming in making us look bad with "greens."

BABYSITTER

Zero worries. I don't cook anything but snack packs.

MOM

Lets get down to business here. Money.

NANNY

I have lowered my rate considerably because of the economy, and I usually push for health coverage, but I'll drop that. I can go as low as 18 dollars an hour.

BABYSITTER

2.50.

DAD

Hmmm. One moment.

Mom and Dad have a whisper pow wow. They come out.

DAD

(to nanny)

Do you have a criminal record?

NANNY

Me??? No!

They whisper again.

MOM  
(to nanny)  
Do you have any experience with  
children?

NANNY  
What?? Did you even read my resume?

Mom and Dad shake their heads.

DAD  
Can you make a sandwich shaped  
like an elephant?

NANNY  
(bluffing)  
Yes I'm sure.

BABYSITTER  
NO. CAN YOU???

Everyone stares down the nanny as she sweats.

DAD  
Elephant sandwich off!!!!

Someone comes out with sandwich ingredients. The nanny is very out of sorts. The babysitter adeptly, step by step, makes a peanut butter sandwich, neaty, shaped like an elephant. The nanny's sandwich is just fistfuls of peanut butter and smushed bread.

MOM  
And... time. Okay well, the  
babysitter's sandwich looks  
better.

BABYSITTER  
It's poignant because elephants  
like peanuts.

The Mom and Dad laugh. They feed the sandwich to the daughter. They laugh and laugh.

NANNY  
Isn't your daughter allergic to  
peanuts?

The family and babysitter laugh and laugh and laugh.

NANNY  
Aren't you two allergic to peanuts  
as well?

DAD

Hmm... which one of you two  
candidates knows how to get to the  
hospital?

The babysitter makes a physical joke that its him... wait...  
totally not him. They all laugh more.

DAD

Nanny, you're hired.