

HAIRBALLS

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GENRE: Comedy

SYNOPSIS: ML tells her problems to Ana, and Ana tells Olivia who tells Alaina who tells Brooke, as the story grows bigger and crazier until not even ML recognizes it anymore.

DIRECTOR'S TIP: Overacting makes this skit really funny.

TIME: Under 5 minutes

CAST BREAKDOWN: 5

TOPIC: Gossip, Youth

SCRIPTURE REFERENCE: Proverbs 26:20

CHURCH YEAR SEASON: Any

SUGGESTED USE: Sermon Starter, Youth Service

CHARACTERS:

ML—a girl who is having a bad day

ANA—a girl who likes to gossip and exaggerate

OLIVIA—a girl who likes to gossip and exaggerate

ALAINA—a girl who likes to gossip and exaggerate

BROOKE—a girl who genuinely cares about people

PROPS: A chair

COSTUMES: Normal teenage clothing

SOUND: Five wireless microphones would be best, but can be done with three

LIGHTING: General stage

SETTING: The stage

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Lights up. ML walks out on stage, looking kind of sad. ANA approaches.

ANA: Hey, ML.

ML: Hey.

ANA: You look blue. What's up?

ML: Oh, lots of stuff.

ANA: Come on. You can tell me. We're friends, right?

ML: My parents had a big fight last night.

ANA: Oh, I'm sorry.

ML: And my brother wrecked his car.

ANA: That's awful!

ML: And I got in trouble because my cat coughed up hairballs all over my grandma's coat.

ANA: Youch. Well, I'm sure it'll all work out.

ML: Yeah.

ANA: I'll pray for you.

ML: *(Smiling now)* Thanks. You're a great friend.

ML stands and exits.

ANA: *(Shocked and amazed)* That's just crazy! I can't believe it!

OLIVIA enters.

OLIVIA: Hey! What's up?

ANA: You won't believe what I just found out.

OLIVIA: What?

ANA: You know ML, right?

OLIVIA: Yeah. Everyone knows ML.

ANA: Her parents had a huge argument. It's so bad they'll probably get a divorce!