

THE SANDWICH

by JOHN COSPER

GENRE: Youth Comedy

SYNOPSIS: Kyle travels back in time to prevent his past self from ruining an important friendship.

DIRECTOR'S TIP: Don't take any chances that the audience may miss the visual gags---keep the stain on the t-shirt glaringly obvious, and let Elena's messy eating go a tad overboard.

TIME: 5 minutes

CAST BREAKDOWN: 1M, 1F

THEME: Friendship; Forgiveness

SCRIPTURE REFERENCE: Proverbs 17:17; Matthew 6:14

CHURCH YEAR SEASON: Any

SUGGESTED USE: Seeker services; sermon illustration

CHARACTERS:

ELENA

KYLE

PROPS: A sack, sandwich, soda, napkin

COSTUMES: Contemporary; two matching t-shirts (one stained with grape soda)

SOUND: Wireless mics if desired

LIGHTING: General stage

SETTING: Unspecified

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Lights up.

Elena enters from stage right and sits at a table with a soft drink and a pulled pork sandwich in a bag.

ELENA: Boy, am I hungry.

Elena takes the lid off her drink and takes a sip. She takes sandwich out of the bag and unwraps it.

Nothing like a juicy, saucy pulled pork sandwich when you're hungry.

Kyle runs on, out of breath, from stage left. Kyle's shirt is soaked with the same color drink as in Elena's cup.

KYLE: Elena!!

ELENA: (*jumps*) Hey, Kyle! You okay? What's on your shirt?

KYLE: It's your soda. Have you seen me?

ELENA: What?

KYLE: Have you seen me?

ELENA: Well... I see you now.

KYLE: Not me me, the old me! The one from now.

ELENA: What are you talking about?

KYLE: I'm from the future.

ELENA: Say what?

KYLE: I've come back in time to stop myself from ruining our friendship.

ELENA: You came back in time? How did you do that?

KYLE: It's complicated. Look, just in case I can't stop me, do me a favor - DO NOT eat that sandwich!

ELENA: But it's my lunch!

KYLE: I'm telling you, do not eat it!

ELENA: Kyle, I'm hungry!