

What's the Worst Thing That Could Happen?

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Most of the students in Miss Mars' class spend every waking minute using a smart phone, computer, television or other electronic device. What would happen if their electronic devices and other forms of communication stopped working?

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Scene 1

Miss Mars: The way to add negative three and positive four isn't that hard. Every negative will cancel out a positive. It is as if when combined they enter a black hole in which they no longer exist. So in this case you have three negatives and four positives, so all but one positive entered the black hole and the answer is positive one. For the last few minutes of class work on page 78, questions 1 -9. This will be your homework.

All Students: Awwwwwww

Cassidy: But it's the weekend!

Hazel: I'm done!

Jade: Wow that was fast! Can you help me at recess?

Miss Mars: Well, maybe if you put your communication device away you'd be done too.

Jade: I need this.

Skyler: But we just use them for calculators.

Teacher takes Skyler's device.

Miss Mars: Your device isn't displaying numbers. These are letters. You're communicating. Who are you communicating with during class?

Skyler: Well, I wasn't using my calculator at that moment. I was texting Hazel.

Miss Mars: Hazel doesn't have a communication device. You're lying to me. *(Takes the phone)* You can have this back after school.

Skyler: That's not fair. Everyone else was texting too.

Miss Mars: Silence, or the consequences will be terrible. Now, give me all your devices.

Miss Mars collects all the devices and places them in a basket.

Miss Mars: You can all get them after school. Now, please put your books away and get ready for your morning nutrition break.

Recess bell rings and Miss Mars exits the stage.

Liam: That Miss Mars is so irritating. She's so mean.

Xavier: So true.

Cassidy: I can't text my boyfriend.

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Hazel: Is he going to be okay?

Cassidy: Obviously not.

Hazel looks at her funny and writes something down in her scribbler.

Skyler: Miss is gone, so no one is going to stop us from getting our phones back.

Jade: Yeah, let's do it.

Liam: Isn't Miss going to notice that they're gone?

Skyler: Who cares?

Hazel writes something else down in her scribbler. Skyler gets the devices and passes them out.

Xavier: Wicked, I can beat my high score on Flappy Bird now.

Skyler: You and your stupid games.

Liam: They're not stupid.

Jade: All you boys do is play them games. It's annoying.

Xavier: Your face is annoying.

Skyler: Look who's talking.

High pitched sound and all the students fall to the floor except Hazel who is still writing in her scribbler. Students slowly stand up and look around. Xavier attempts to speak to Skyler but realizes that he can't. He starts to point to his throat and has a look of panic on his face. The other students realize that they can't speak and start to panic. Skyler makes a motion for everyone to stop. Then she points to everyone in turn and motions for them to try and speak. She points to Hazel last, but Hazel isn't looking she is still writing in her scribbler. Skyler walks over and taps her shoulder.

Hazel: what?

Everyone hangs their mouths open and goes over to Hazel.

Hazel: What are you guys doing?

Skyler grabs Hazel's scribbler and writes down "Why Can You Speak?"

Hazel: Why can you speak? What do you mean? Can't we all speak?

Everyone shakes their head, "No"

Scene 2

During this scene there are several voice recordings of the student's thoughts that the audience hears. Students on stage use body language to communicate to one another.

Liam: (voice recording) We need to call for help.

Jade pulls out her device and discovers that it isn't working. She tries to turn it on several times.

Jade: (voice recording) It's not working.

Jade points to Cassidy who tries her device. Cassidy discovers that her phone is also not working. She shakes her head, "No." The other students try their devices.

Xavier: (voice recording) Mine's not working either.

Skyler: (voice recording) Why are they not working? I bet Liam did this!

Skyler grabs Liam's shirt and shakes him. Liam shows her that his phone isn't working.

Skyler: (voice recording) Sorry man. Think, think. We can't speak, our phones are dead. But wait, Hazel can speak. Why? I bet it was Hazel.

Skyler grabs Hazel by the shirt.

Hazel: Stop, what are you doing?

Skyler: (voice recording) You, you did this!

Hazel: What do you want?

Skyler: (voice recording) Our phones are dead, what did you do?

Hazel: I don't understand. I'm just here to learn.

There is another high pitched sound and everyone falls to the floor except Hazel. Hazel taps her watch.

Flashing Green and Blue lights. Enter Miss Mars in alien form wearing her teacher clothes.

Miss Mars: Hazel, what happened?

Hazel: There was a loud sound and everyone passed out. They lost their voices and their communication devices died.

Miss Mars: Perfect, just like I planned.

Hazel: Why didn't you tell me?

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Miss Mars: Your job was to gather information about the humans. My job was to collect their voices when you finished. You were taking too long and I grew impatient.

Hazel: I was learning a lot about the humans. Now they hate me and I will never finish my studies.

Miss Mars: What does it matter if the humans hate you? Your mission was to collect information, not make friends. We can take one of these humans and conduct experiments to collect more information.

Miss Mars walks over to the humans and examines them. She stops at Cassidy.

Miss Mars: Let's take this one.

Hazel: Not Cassidy!

Miss Mars drags Cassidy off stage. Students start to wake. They get up slowly and Xavier notices that Cassidy and Hazel are missing.

Xavier: (voice recording) Oh no! Where is Cassidy? Where is Hazel?

Xavier goes to the whiteboard and writes, "Hazel and Cassidy are GONE!!" Everyone looks around and panics. Skyler motions for everyone to stop.

Skyler: (voice recording) Calm down. They can't have gone far.

She indicates in which direction they should look and writes on the board, "FIND THEM!!!" Everyone exits the stage. Lights out.

Scene 3

Students follow a strange light that leads them to the alien's spaceship.

(The set must have a control panel with several buttons (at least 6 orange and one blue) and an examination table/platform on which Cassidy is strapped.)

The students see Cassidy and they run over and try to free her but they can't. They hear footsteps and quickly hide behind the control panel. Enter Miss Mars and Hazel. Hazel is wearing the same clothes as before but is now in her alien form carrying a box.

Miss Mars: We need to put the human voice balls somewhere safe.

Hazel: We can put them behind the control panel.

Hazel takes the box and places it behind the panel without looking. Miss Mars walks over to Cassidy and examines her.

Miss Mars: She is so pale. She would look better green. I wonder what color she is on the inside. There are knives back in the school kitchen. Let's go get them.

Liam tries to get to Cassidy but the other students hold him back and indicate for him to wait.

Hazel: No! I read in a book that they are red, yes red on the inside.

Miss Mars: How strange these humans are. I'd like to see this red for myself. Let's go.

Miss Mars and Hazel exit the stage.

The students race over to Cassidy but they still can't free her. Jade remembers what the aliens said about the voice balls and gets the box. She opens the box and finds strange colored spheres. She picks up the yellow one and a wave like force rushes past her and she speaks.

Jade: (Xavier's voice recording) Hey guys I got my vo - wait, this isn't my voice.

Xavier points to her and then to his throat.

Jade: I don't want your voice, ewww gross. Here have it.

Jade gives the yellow ball to Xavier and a wave like force rushes past him and he speaks.

Xavier: Thank God, my voice is back. Now, everyone get a ball.

Everyone takes a ball from the box. Skyler takes the green ball, Liam takes the purple one, Jade takes the red one, and the blue ball remains in the box.

Skyler: (Cassidy's voice recording) Thank god, I can talk. This isn't right. This is Cassidy's voice.

Liam: (Skyler's voice recording) Oh my go - I'm a girl.

Skyler: (Cassidy's voice recording) Hey, that's my voice, give it back.

Liam: (Skyler voice recording) I like this voice. I think I will keep it.

Skyler grabs Liam's shirt.

Skyler: (Cassidy's voice recording) Give it back right now or I will reach down your throat and pull it out.

Liam: (Skyler's voice recording) Wow, relax lady. Just give me a few seconds with your voice. I've always wanted to sing like a Disney princess. Let it go, let it go, can't hold it back anymore.

Skyler: (Cassidy's voice recording) TMI, TMI. Now give me my voice!

Liam passes the ball to Skyler and a wave like force rushes past her.

Skyler: Finally, I'm me.

Jade: (Liam's voice recording) I hope I got my voice this time. Wait, this is Liam's voice. Yuck.

Jade passes the ball to Liam. A wave like force rushes past him.

Liam: Thanks. There are only two balls left. Skyler had the green ball so that's Cassidy's voice. So Jade's voice must be the blue one.

Jade takes the blue ball and a wave like force rushes past her.

Jade: Testing 1, 2, 3. Oh thank god. Alright, now we have to rescue Cassidy before the aliens get back.

Xavier: Hold on, there's something else in the box.

Xavier reaches in the box and pulls out a book called, "How To Release Human Sequence."

Skyler: Give it to me.

Skyler snatches the book from Xavier and flicks through it.

Skyler: It says push the orange button.

Liam walks over to the control panel.

Liam: Ummmm, there's just one small problem. There are six orange buttons. (CONTINUED)

Jade: Just pick one. We are on an alien spaceship and you want to just pick a random button? What's the worst thing that can happen?

Liam: Oh, I don't know... we hit a button that calls the mothership and then we are blasted to a million pieces by a bunch of ugly green aliens?

Jade: Oh. Yeah, never thought of that. But we have to rescue Cassidy so let's hope that doesn't happen. Now pick one.

Liam pushes a button and "The Duck Song" starts to play. All the students are forced to waddle and quack like a duck. The music stops and they return to normal.

Xavier: Well, that was weird.

Skyler: Clearly, someone doesn't know how to use a control panel.

Skyler glares at Liam.

Liam: Since you're so smart why don't you pick the next one?

Skyler walks over to the panel and pushes another orange button. Disco music starts to play and all the students start to dance. The music stops and they return to normal.

Liam: Clearly, you don't know how to use it either. Let Xavier try.

Xavier walks over to the panel and pushes another orange button. An upbeat song starts to play and the students are forced to do burpees. The music stops and the students return to normal, although they are clearly out of breath.

Jade: I want to try. I want to try. Let me pick a button!

Jade walks over to the control panel and pushes the largest orange button and nothing seems to happen. Jade continues to push it several times. Cassidy awakes and then falls back to sleep with each push of the button.

Skyler: Wait, push it again I thought I saw Cassidy move.

Jade pushes the button again.

Xavier: It's working!

Liam walks over to Cassidy.

Liam: Cassidy, are you okay?

Cassidy tries to speak but she can't. Jade passes her the green voice ball and a wave like forces rushed past her.

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Cassidy: Thanks. Yeah I'm fine. Where are we? What happened?

Jade: We're in an alien spaceship because we were looking for you. We all lost our voices and our phones went dead and then an alien said she was going to cut you open and there were these strange balls and our voices came back only we got them all mixed up and then we tried to get you and we had to dance and do burpees and . . .

Cassidy: What?

Liam: We will explain later. Let's just get out of here before the aliens get back.

Liam and the other students start to exit but Cassidy is still strapped to the table.

Cassidy: Uhhh guys, I'm still strapped to the table here.

Liam: Oh god, sorry

Liam and Xavier walk back to the table and help free Cassidy. They go to exit the spaceship but the aliens return.

Miss Mars: And where do you think you're going? I wasn't aware that we had more than one human on board. This is most excellent. Now, tell me how did you find this spaceship?

Skyler: We followed strange lights. You really should turn them off if you don't want people to find you. Not very smart if you ask me.

Miss Mars: Silence, or the consequences will be terrible.

Skyler: What did you say? OMG. You're wearing Miss Mars' clothes and you just said the same thing that she did and wait. Our teacher is an alien!

The students stand there with their mouths hung open.

Xavier: Sweet! Our teacher is an alien.

Xavier and Liam high five. The girls face palm.

Miss Mars: ENOUGH! No one is going anywhere. Hazel, press the freeze button.

The students gasp.

All students: Hazel?!

Skyler: I knew you were to blame!

Hazel: I'm sorry.

Hazel walks over to the control panel and pushes the blue button. Spotlights shine on the students and they all freeze.

Scene 4

Miss Mars: Come Hazel, the humans can't move. We need to go get supplies before we journey home.

The aliens exit the stage.

Cassidy: Did she just say we are going to her home?

Jade: Oh, I would love to see her home.

Liam: Ummmm, Jade her house is in outer space.

Jade: On second thought, why don't we get out of here.

Skyler: We can't move, so how do you suggest we get out of here.

Jade: Push another button.

Skyler: Again, we can't move.

Jade: Right.

Skyler: Anyone have any other ideas?

Silence.

Xavier: It's hopeless we are never getting out of here. They are going to do experiments on us, eat us, or make us their slaves.

Liam: On the bright side at least I won't have to eat any more of my mom's cooking.

Hazel enters the stage.

Hazel: Listen guys we don't have much time. Miss Mars is going to be back any minute. I'm going to help you guys get out. I never wanted to hurt you. I just wanted to learn from you and now I just want to be your friend and I...

Skyler: Just push the button.

Hazel walks over to the control panel and pushes the blue button. The spotlights turns off and the students are free.

Liam: Thanks.

Jade: So, you really are an alien.

Hazel: Yup.

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Liam and Xavier: Awesome.

Cassidy: How do we know we can trust you? You did kidnap me.

Hazel: Your only option is to trust me. Now let's get out of here.

They exit the stage.

Scene 5

Back in the classroom.

Jade: I can't believe you're actually an alien.

Skyler: I knew there was something strange about you.

Hazel: You're the strange ones. You're always on your communication devices and you don't notice anything around you.

Skyler: So what?

Hazel: So you're missing out on all the things this world has to offer. I've only been here for a few weeks and I discovered so many beautiful things.

Cassidy: What beautiful things?

Hazel: The vast and beautiful landscapes, sunrises and sunsets, the laughter of children, and the food. You have amazing food. Like spaghetti, it's all slimy and messy and you feel it sliding down your throat.

Liam: I guess you haven't tried my mom's spaghetti.

Hazel: The point is that you really should turn your communication devices off and go explore your planet. I wish I had more time to explore this place but I have to go.

Enter Miss Mars.

Miss Mars: Go? The only place your going is the spaceship's dungeon.

Hazel: No, I'm staying here.

Miss Mars: Not if I disintegrate you. You traitor.

Miss Mars goes to grab her disintegration gun but Skyler grabs it first.

Skyler: Not if we disintegrate you first.

Xavier: Oh burn.

Miss Mars: I'll do anything.

Skyler: You have to return to your home and never come back and Hazel stays with us.

Skyler has the disintegration gun to Miss Mars' back and they walk off stage.

Hazel: I can't believe you guys would do that for me.

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Jade: You're our friend.

Hazel: Really?

All Students: Really.

Group hug. Enter Skyler.

Skyler: If I knew you guys were going to get all mushy then I would have let Miss Mars get you.

Cassidy: Oh get over here.

They pull her into the group hug.

Liam: Did Miss Mars leave?

Skyler: Miss Mars won't bother us anymore. She's long gone (*evil laughter*).

Jade: Skyler are you okay?

Skyler: I'm fine, never better.

Skyler examines her hands and arms.

Hazel: I still can't believe I'm here. I'm so happy.

Skyler: Not for long my dear, not for long.

Scene 6

Skyler is frozen in a spotlight on the spaceship.

Skyler: I have to get out of here and warn my friends.

Dun dun duuuuun sound effect and lights out.

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