

RAPID EYE MOVEMENT

Female Audition Monologue for
30 Horrible Catastrophes of Middle School
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MORGAN

(Standing at the front of class with note cards)

Hi, I'm Morgan. My health-science report is on dreams.

(To teacher)

Mr. Crabtree, would you tell Wyatt to stop it? Uh, he's looking at me? Hello? He knows I don't like it when he looks at me. Thank you.

(To class)

Dreams. Dreams are a series of mental images and emotions occurring during sleep. This is not to be confused with daydreams. For example, I always daydream that Wyatt's face gets smashed in by a Wac-A-Mole machine. I put the tokens in and then I hold his face right over one of the wholes. It's awesome. That's my conscious mind. Real dreams take place in the subconscious. When you fall asleep, your conscious brain shuts down. After several hours, you enter R.E.M., which stands for Rapid Eye Movement. That's when the subconscious takes over and produces what we know as dreams.

(Looking at Wyatt)

Knock it off!

(To teacher)

He's doing it again!

(To Wyatt)

You are too!

(To teacher)

He's trying to use R.E.M. on me. He's looking at me really fast! Like this.

(She looks at the teacher with rapid eye movement.)

Keep your eyes to yourself, Wyatt! Now, the correct usage of rapid eye movement cannot be done while you're awake and you can't control it. When you're asleep, your eyes are closed and your eyeballs move rapidly back and forth behind your eyelids, like this.

(She demonstrates then pops her eyes open.)

What was that?! Who threw that? Mr. Crabtree, Wyatt hit me with a spitball! How could you not see it?! It hit me right in the face! Yeah, I had my eyes closed but everyone knows it was Wyatt! You need to send him to the office. Well, I'm not going on with my presentation until Wyatt is outta here! Thank you!

(Singing to Wyatt)

Ha! You got sent to the hall. You got sent to the hall. That's right and stay out there! Good riddance. I'm sorry about that. I don't know why he acts like that.

(Looking to a student)

He what? Wyatt has a crush on me? Really?! I had no idea!

(Looking in a compact mirror and fixing her hair)

Wyatt, wait!

(She rushes off after Wyatt.)