Thanksgiving With The Puppets

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{SAMANTHA}. I don't know, there is so much to be thankful for, and what are puppets thankful for these days.

{MATT}. Yes, we can be thankful for life itself. You know it just kills me that people don't think that puppets are real!

{DAISY/PANDORA}. Oh, really! let me prank them and they'll know we're real.

{WINTER}. I know right.

{SAMANTHA}. I know that's ridiculous, of course, for real we're talking aren't we.

{BRIAN}. I know, that does seem ridiculous.

{DAISY/PANDORA}. People are so weird!

{WINTER}. Well, this is the season to be thankful, let's list the things were thankful for. Let's start with you Brian.

{BRIAN}. Well, I am thankful for my new sunglasses that I got a couple weeks ago. Don't they make me look cool?

{DAISY/PANDORA}. Yeah, those do make you look cool. I like you in those. It makes you look so so-phos-ist-icated.

{WINTER}. You mean sophisticated. What else are you thankful for?

{BRIAN}. Well, I'm thankful for my friends. I'm thankful for my school, my church, and life in general. Everything is going smoothly for once.

{WINTER}. Cool, what are you thankful for Samantha?

{SAMANTHA}. Well, let's see where I should begin. I'm thankful for good friends at church. I'm thankful that I have stuff to eat. And like Brian said, I'm thankful for good friends and my BFFs. I'm thankful for a good mom and dad that love and protect me.

{DAISY/PANDORA}. Well, I'm good at protecting myself, I carry my secret weapon with me all the time.

{SAMANTHA}. Really, what's that?

{DAISY/PANDORA}. I scream really loud. You want to hear?

{SAMANTHA}. I . . . think . . . will . . .pass on that Pandora.

{WINTER}. Wow, okay then. What about you Matt?

[MATT]. Well, I'm thankful for a lot of things. I'm thankful for good friends like Brian. I'm thankful I didn't get caught pulling that prank on one of my friends at school.

[BRIAN]. Okay wait, did you say you were thankful for not getting caught for pulling a prank on someone at school?

{DAISY/PANDORA}. Now were talking!

{MATT}. Yes!

{BRIAN}. WELL, HOW CAN YOU BE THANKFUL FOR THAT?

[MATT]. For one thing I'm thankful I didn't get in trouble. And hopefully they're still my friend.

{BRIAN}. Well, that's not a very good way to have friends!

{MATT}. I know but it wasn't that bad sorta.

{BRIAN}. Well, if I may ask what exactly did you do?

{MATT}. Well, I'm not sure what I want to say.

{WINTER}. Oh, come on tell us. You are among friends.

{SAMANTHA}. Yes, tell us.

{MATT}. Okay, I tied there shoelaces together and they fell.

{WINTER}. What! He could have gotten hurt.

{{MATT}. It wasn't a he.

DAISY/PANDORA}. Wait, that was you?

{SAMANTHA}. That's even worse!

{DAISY/PANDORA}. WAIT! YOU PRANK ME. YOU KNOW THERE WILL BE RETALIATION FOR THAT.

{MATT}. Well, I wanted her to know I liked her.

{BRIAN}. Wait, you tied together the shoelaces of someone you like thinking that they would like you back because you did that?

[MATT]. Well, since you put it that way it does seem a little strange. But that's what I said about not getting caught.

{DAISY/PANDORA}. Well, they say confession is good for the soul. Wait, you did that because you liked me?

{MATT}. I didn't know how to get your attention Pandora.

{BRIAN}. I don't think you're supposed to be thankful for mean stuff that you do and getting away with it.

{DAISY/PANDORA} OH HE'S NOT GETTING AWAY WITH IT!

{MATT}. Really?

{DAISY/PANDORA}. Oh my word. I prank people all the time, BUT I WANT THEM TO KNOW I DID IT!

{WINTER}. You don't have many friends, do you Pandora?

{DAISY/PANDORA}. Enough! They're afraid not to be my friend.

{WINTER}. Well, I hope you don't prank us.

{DAISY/PANDORA}. No, right now is just going to be Matt!

{MATT}. Does that mean you like me back? Pease Pandora I'm sorry.

{DAISY/PANDORA}. This means you're going to be lucky to be alive!

{WINTER}. Oh my goodness, can we just tone it down.

{SAMANTHA}. Yeah, Pandora puppets are not about hurting each other. Puppets are only about loving each other and having each other's back. That's the way it's always been in the puppet village.

(BRIAN). Yeah, that goes for me to.

{SAMANTHA}. Yeah, I must say I have to be included in that statement too.

{DAISY/PANDORA}. Well, he started it. And I plan to finish it. In my own time in my own place. You had better watch your six Matt!

{WINTER}. Well, on that note, and I'm almost afraid to ask, what are you thankful for Pandora.

{DAISY/PANDORA}. For starters I'm thankful for all my stuff. All my dolls, all my tricks, all my books about tricks, my prank books, and friends that give me new pranks, and you guys of course . . .good friendship has its value.

{SAMANTHA}. Well, I didn't see that coming from you Pandora.

{MATT}. Yeah, me neither.

{BRIAN}. I will have to admit I was a little afraid of what she was going to say.

{DAISY/PANDORA}. Well, I do have your all's best interest at heart, but one prank deserves another. I do have a prank book after all. And I hate for it to go to waste. And since you pranked me Matt, I will find something very special for you. I won't hurt you. . . . intentionally maybe.

(INFO:). ALL PUPPETS LOOK AT EACH OTHER

{WINTER}. Pranking is not cool on either side whether it be from Matt or from you Pandora.

{DAISY/PANDORA}. WELL, BLOOD HAS BEEN DRAWN SO TO SPEAK.

{SAMANTHA}. Oh my goodness! Can we just not be thankful we have each other and forgive each other even for pranks.... That shouldn't have happened by the way Matt.

{MATT}. I may have been ill-informed.

{WINTER}. Ill-informed by who?

{MATT}. I don't want to say!

{SAMANTHA}. Come on, you can tell us.

{MATT}. Brian put me up to it.

{WINTER}. BRIAN?

{MATT}. Yep.

{SAMANTHA}. Oh my word this keeps getting worse and worse why would you tell Matt to prank Pandora Brian?

{BRIAN}. Thanks a lot Matt!

{DAISY/PANDORA}. Looks like I need to prank BOTH OF you then.

{BRIAN}. Oh my word. I can't believe you told on me Matt.

{MATT}. Well, you can be thankful that I didn't tell your parents.

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