SCENE J

INT. SHELDON'S BEDROOM - LATER (NIGHT 4)
(Sheeldon, Leonard)

SHELDON IS IN BED. LEONARD ENTERS.

LEONARD

Sheeldon, Sheeldon?

SHELDON

(WAKING UP) I want a cookie, Meemaw!

LEONARD

Sheeldon, it's me.

SHELDON

Oh. How disappointing. I was about to have a cookie.

LEONARD

Listen, I don't know if I can go on the expedition.

SHELDON TURNS ON A LAMP.

SHELDON

What?

LEONARD

I don't think I can go to the North Pole.
SHELDON

Okay. Leonard, I know you're concerned about disappointing me, but I want you to take comfort from the knowledge that my expectations of you are very low.

LEONARD

Yeah, that is comforting.

SHELDON

Comforting is part of leadership. Not a part I care for but such is my burden.

LEONARD

Terrific. It's just that I don't think Penny wants me to go.

SHELDON

Assuming that's a valid reason not to go -- which it isn't -- how do you know this? Did she say it?

LEONARD

Not exactly. But she said she'd miss me and she gave me this.

HE HOLDS UP THE SNUGGY.

SHELDON

What is it?

LEONARD

It's a blanket with sleeves.
SHELDON

Oh, that's clever. Let me see if I understand this correctly. Her missing you is an emotional state you find desirable?

LEONARD

Yeah, obviously.

SHELDON

All right. Well, given that missing you is predicated on you leaving, logic dictates you must leave.

LEONARD

Yeah, okay, but I'm gonna be gone for three months. What if she doesn't miss me that long and meets somebody else?

SHELDON

She does have a short attention span coupled with bosoms, subcutaneous fat and a pelvic structure that potential breeding partners find appealing.

LEONARD

Exactly. So I can't go.
SHELDON

Leonard, you may be right. It appears that Penny secretly wants you in her life in a very intimate and carnal fashion.

LEONARD

You really think so?

SHELDON

Of course not. Even in my sleep-deprived state, I was able to pull off another one of my classic pranks.

Bazinga!

AND WE:

CUT TO: