WOLOWITZ
We're not really gonna go to the North Pole with him, are we?

LEONARD
Well, hang on, let's talk about it.
This is a National Science Foundation expedition. I don't see how we can turn it down.

WOLOWITZ
Easy. Instead of saying, "no, we don't want to go on an N.S.F. expedition," say, "no, we don't want to spend three months stuck in a cabin in the Arctic Circle with an anal nutbag."

Koothrappali
But if we were part of the team that confirmed string theory, we could drink for free in any bar in any college town with a university that has a strong science program.

LEONARD
Howard, this is big science. You could be the engineer who builds the equipment that puts us on the cover of magazines.
WOLOWITZ

I could also be the engineer who builds the crossbow that kills Sheldon.

KOOTHRAPALI

You still might get on a magazine.

WOLOWITZ

So you guys are seriously considering this.

LEONARD

Yes.

WOLOWITZ

(TO KOOTHRAPALI) And you think you can put up with Sheldon?

KOOTHRAPALI

Well, I'm a Hindu. My religion teaches that if we suffer in this life we're rewarded in the next. Three months at the North Pole with Sheldon, and I'm reborn as a well-hung billionaire with wings!

SHELDON ENTERS FROM HIS BEDROOM.

SHELDON

Well, gentlemen, have you reached a decision?

LEONARD TAKES A MOMENT, THEN: