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Episode 6 “[Thanksgiving](#)“

Act 1

Ellen OK, Philip. This is your third cup of coffee. We should get to work, or we won't be finished by dinnertime.

Philip I guess we must.

Ellen We must.

Philip OK. The beginning of my famous Thanksgiving apple pie. One apple. Two apples. Three apples. Four apples

Ellen Come on, Philip! Get busy with your famous apple pie. There's much more to be done.

Philip Now, the ingredients.

Philip What goes into my apple pie besides apples? Ah, yes. Flour, sugar, butter. Butter, nice and cold and hard. OK, here are the walnuts. Last but not least, the reason my apple pie is famous-cinnamon. Cinnamon...Ellen, where's the cinnamon?

Ellen If there is any cinnamon, it's in the cabinet with the salt and pepper.

Philip Salt, pepper, dill weed, garlic powder,cinnamon. Ellen?

Ellen Yes,Philip.

Philip Is it possible that we forgot to buy cinnamon?

Ellen Yes,it is possible that we forgot to buy cinnamon.

Philip Well, how can I make my famous apple pie without cinnamon?

Robbie Good morning.

Ellen Oh, hi, Robbie. Good morning.

Philip Good morning. Robbie. Can you do me a favor?

Robbie Sure, Dad. What?

Philip Remember my apple pie on Thanksgiving? What do you love about it?

Robbie The apples?

Philip No. The sssss...

Robbie Cinnamon!

Philip Right. We don't have any cinnamon.

Robbie I'll go down to Henry's grocery. He's always open. I'll get some for you.

Philip That's my boy!

Ellen Oh, put your heavy jacket on, Robbie. It's cold outside.

Robbie Alexandra might call. Tell her I'll call her right back.

Ellen OK.

Philip Thanks, Son.

Ellen Uh, why does he always have to slam the door?

Ellen Hello...Hello,Alexandra. How are you?... Fine. Robbie just went to the store. He'll be back soon. He said he'll call you... Oh, oh, I see... Oh... certainly. Well, do you have the phone number there?...Oh... I see...Please, I know he

wants to talk to you... Thank you, and happy Thanksgiving to you and your family, too. Try to come by later for dessert... Bye. That was Alexandra. She and the Molinas are going to spend Thanksgiving with their cousins. She doesn't have the phone number.

Philip Oh, Robbie will be disappointed.

Ellen He'll be grouchy. Maybe she'll call back. She promised.

Robbie Here's your cinnamon, Pop. It was a dollar and sixty cents. You forgot to ask me for the change.

Philip Or did you forget to give it to me?

Philip Thanks, Son.

Ellen Alexandra called.

Robbie I'll call her back.

Ellen She said she'll call you later. She's not at home.

Philip You should have your breakfast, Son. Make you feel better. Protein, vitamins.

Robbie She said she'll call back?

Ellen Yes, she did.

Grandpa Good morning, everyone! Happy Turkey Day? What's wrong?

Robbie Nothing. Absolutely nothing.

Grandpa What's gotten into him?

Ellen He missed a phone call.

Grandpa From...?

Philip Yes, Alexandra.

Grandpa It's nice to see young love... Oh, to be young again! Where's the coffee?