

# **SANDWICH BAGS: WEAR THEM ON YOUR PANTS**

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*A Ten Minute Comedy Duet*

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**SYNOPSIS:** Do you find yourself wishing you had a better way to carry all of your stuff? Do expensive designer purses consume half your annual salary? Haven't you always wished you could judge other people by the contents of their pockets? What if there was an expandable, portable, personal storage option that matched everything in your wardrobe? The solution is simple...sandwich bags safety-pinned to your pants! Learn all the ways sandwich bags can improve your life, and make a bold personal statement to the world with these awesome and practical fashion accessories!

## **CAST OF CHARACTERS**

*(2 either; gender flexible)*

ONE (m/f) ..... (112 lines)

TWO (m/f) ..... (112 lines)

**CAST NOTE:** Two young adults who have invested heavily in sandwich bags and are giving a high-energy sales pitch in a desperate attempt to get rid of surplus inventory.

**SET:** Bare stage.

**COSTUMES:** Business attire.

**AUTHOR'S NOTE:** The pace of the dialogue should be super-fast. Every line should nearly overlap the one that came before it.

*AT RISE: ONE and TWO addressing the audience.*

**ONE:** We've all been there.

**TWO:** Every last one of us.

**ONE:** We've all experienced those socially awkward moments—

**TWO:** You know it's true!

**ONE:** —when we've had to walk around in public with loose, moist cat food in our hands because there was no space left in our pockets!

**TWO:** Oh, the humiliation!

**ONE:** When we've had to break a dollar bill because we couldn't get to those three pennies that were buried in our front pocket under the hand sanitizer, cell phone, car keys, tissues, lens wipes, flashlight, coupon book, sticky notes, and scrambled eggs.

**TWO:** The shame!

**ONE:** And then we're stuck with even more loose change that we've got to carry around in our hands with the cat food.

**TWO:** The worst nightmare of the collective human race!

**ONE:** It's demeaning.

**TWO:** It's demoralizing.

**ONE:** It's a long, hard soak in the hot tub that is the armpit of despair.

**BOTH:** But it doesn't have to be that way.

**ONE:** The answer is simple

**TWO:** The answer is obvious.

**ONE:** The answer is brilliant.

**TWO:** The answer will have you smacking your forehead and wondering—

**BOTH:** Why didn't I think of that myself?

**ONE:** The answer is this:

**BOTH:** Safety-pinning sandwich bags to your pants.

**TWO:** The inside or the outside?

**ONE:** The outside!

**TWO:** Because there's more room.

**ONE:** You've already got so much junk in your pockets there's barely enough space in your pants for your legs.

**TWO:** You can pin sandwich bags all the way up and down your legs if you need to.

**ONE:** Assuming you're not wearing shorts.

**TWO:** For maximum storage capacity:

**ONE:** Don't wear shorts.

**TWO:** Zipper seal or fold-down?

**ONE:** That depends.

**TWO:** What are you carrying?

**ONE:** Is it going to try to escape?

**TWO:** Is it likely to spill?

**ONE:** Will you be riding a roller coaster?

**TWO:** Will you be performing gymnastics?

**BOTH:** Just use your common sense.

**ONE:** Wearing sandwich bags on your pants will solve all your problems.

**TWO:** It alleviates awkward social moments when two people are trying to get to know one another.

**ONE:** By creating literal transparency and allowing for informed judgment about a person's character based on the contents of their pockets.

*Assuming the roles of two people meeting.*

**TWO:** Hello.

**ONE:** Hi.

*Narrating each person's inner train of thought.*

**TWO:** He's toting around a half-eaten "Snickers" bar.

**ONE:** I estimate he's got at least three ounces of sawdust separated from a book of matches by a paperclip.

**TWO:** I'm allergic to nuts.

**ONE:** This person is a fire hazard.

*Addressing each other.*

**BOTH:** Goodbye!

*Back as themselves.*

**TWO:** Or, on the other hand...

*Assuming roles of two other people meeting.*

**ONE:** Hello.

**TWO:** Hi.

*Narrating each person's inner train of thought.*

**TWO:** He has loose cheese puffs.

**ONE:** Is that a rubber snake?

**TWO:** I love cheese puffs.

**ONE:** I could scare the devil out of my math professor with that thing.

**TWO:** I'm gonna get me some cheese puffs.

**ONE:** What the heck—I'm already failing the class anyway.

*Addressing each other.*

**BOTH:** Will you be my friend?

*Back as themselves.*

**TWO:** Sandwich bags are also great for carrying liquids.

**ONE:** As well as assorted moist objects.

**TWO:** When you've got a plastic bag pinned to your pants, there's no need to mess with a pesky can or bottle.

**ONE:** Unless you're planning on drinking whatever's in that bag.

**TWO:** But that's okay, because sandwich bags are great for carrying paper bathroom cups.

**ONE:** Which come in assorted styles and colors.

**TWO:** And since sandwich bags are clear, you can share your personal paper cup preference with the world.

*Assuming the roles of two people complimenting one another on paper cups.*

**ONE:** I love your beautiful floral designs! Daffodils are my favorite!

**TWO:** I love your colorful tropical fish. The little orange one is just so cute!

**BOTH:** Thank you!

*BOTH give the audience big, sunshine-filled grins, then switch back to themselves.*

**ONE:** Do be careful though, that your sandwich bags don't burst.

**TWO:** Otherwise, you may be wearing your liquid or moist object in a more literal sense.

**ONE:** Also, be sure to keep fluid levels below the pin-holes.

**TWO:** Sandwich bags will also help to keep you organized!

**ONE:** You can sort all the junk you carry around by weight, color, function, adhesiveness, or smell!

**TWO:** And because the bags are clear—

**ONE:** —you can see everything that you're carrying and find it with ease.

**TWO:** Unless it's in a bag pinned to the seat of your pants.

**ONE:** Then you're on your own.

**TWO:** A word of caution: Small animals may suffocate if stored in a sandwich bag.

**ONE:** This warning applies to medium and large animals, as well.

*Addressing each other.*

**TWO:** Medium and large animals wouldn't fit in a sandwich bag.

**ONE:** That depends on the sandwich bag.

*Addressing the audience again.*

**TWO:** How very true! Which brings us to another great point— sandwich bags are great for storing...

**BOTH:** Sandwiches!

**ONE:** Peanut butter and jelly!

**TWO:** Baloney!

**ONE:** Ham and cheese!

**TWO:** Turkey and mayo!

**ONE:** Swiss and celery!

**TWO:** Bacon and bacon!

**ONE:** Apple butter and smartphone!

**TWO:** Just because it's a sandwich doesn't mean it has to be edible.

**ONE:** And what better way to show your individuality to the world than with an inedible sandwich proudly displayed in a sandwich bag pinned to your pants?

**TWO:** It's a new art form waiting to happen!

**ONE:** Think of the combinations!

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