

*Track 12: IT Interlude*

*Backdrop 8: IT Office*

**EUGENE:** Hello! I'm Eugene and this is Sheldon. Welcome to Net Force, where computer networking meets 'The Force'!

*Eugene and Sheldon give the Vulcan salute.*

**MUM:** I'll let you go and get started then, pumpkin.

*Mum kisses Ashley goodbye despite her protests and obvious embarrassment.*

**SHELDON:** I know how you feel. My mum still does that when she drops me off to work every morning. So embarrassing.

**EUGENE:** You can say that again! *(laughs nerdishly)*

**ASHLEY:** So, what is it that you do here?

**EUGENE:** We are a virtual desktop provider.

**ASHLEY:** Er, what does that mean exactly?

**SHELDON:** Oh, it's quite simple really. We do VPS, VXL, DRP... *(starts trailing off)* CPR and... mechofennel?

**ASHLEY:** I don't think "mechofennel" is a word.

**EUGENE:** Yes it is.

**ASHLEY:** I still don't know what it is you do here?

*Eugene and Sheldon look at each other nervously.*

**SHELDON:** *(whispers)* No-one does.

**EUGENE:** But it's great – we get to just muck around on computers all day.

**ASHLEY:** I don't know very much about computers. I mean, I've used Garage Band before to record some music but other than that I find them really difficult to use.

**SHELDON:** Well... that's strange.

**EUGENE:** Yes, I thought all you kids today were brought up using Ipads from your early stages of infancy.

**ASHLEY:** Well I'm just different I guess.

**SHELDON:** This should be interesting. Let's get to work!

**Track 13: Phone Ringing**

**EUGENE:** Hello, Tech support, how can I help you?... Well, have you tried turning it off and on?... Yes, try that please... Excellent. You're very welcome.

**Track 13: Phone Ringing**

**SHELDON:** Hello, Tech support, how can I help you?... Well, have you tried rebooting it? (*whispers to Ashley*) That's just a fancy way of saying 'turn it off and on'... Try that... Nothing?... Just a black screen?... Is the computer plugged in?... You see that long cord with the metal pieces sticking out of it?... Yes, well that needs to go into the power-point in the wall... the holes, in the wall! Yes, well you're very welcome.

**EUGENE:** See what we have to put up with, Ashley?

**ASHLEY:** Um, there's a problem with my computer. I think it has crashed.

**SHELDON:** Crashed?! Well did you turn it off and on?

**ASHLEY:** No.

**EUGENE:** Have you learnt nothing?! The first thing you need to know about computers is that turning it off and then on again will solve 99.9 per cent of all technical problems.

**Track 14/Song 7:**

**TURN IT OFF AND ON**

*Eugene, Sheldon and ensemble*

Original version of this song was entitled *Ctrl Alt Del*. Contact *EPmusic* ([epmusicmail@gmail.com](mailto:epmusicmail@gmail.com)) for more information.

**EUGENE**

**VERSE 1**

IF YOUR COMPUTER CRASHES  
IF YOUR COMPUTER DIES  
IF NOTHING SEEMS TO WORK  
NO MATTER WHAT YOU TRY  
DON'T BREAK THE KEYBOARD  
DON'T SMASH YOUR SCREEN  
THERE'S ANOTHER OPTION  
THIS IS WHAT I MEAN...

**ENSEMBLE**

**CHORUS**

TURN IT OFF AND ON  
WORKS EVERY TIME  
TURN IT OFF AND ON  
IT'LL BLOW YOUR MIND  
TURN IT OFF AND ON  
WHEN THINGS GO WRONG  
TURN IT OFF AND ON  
JUST REMEMBER THIS SONG

**SHELDON**

**VERSE 2**

IF THE HOUR GLASS IS STUCK ON PAUSE  
IF THE COLOUR WHEEL JUST WON'T SPIN  
IF THE MOUSE DOESN'T WANT TO CLICK  
THERE'S A SECRET I WILL LET YOU IN  
BEFORE YOU GET ANGRY  
BEFORE YOU FEEL BLUE  
BEFORE YOU CALL US  
THERE'S SOMETHING YOU SHOULD DO

**ENSEMBLE**

**CHORUS**

**EUGENE AND SHELDON**

**VERSE 3**

SO, WHEN YOUR COMPUTER CRASHES  
BEFORE YOU MAKE A FUSS  
TURN IT OFF AND ON  
AND YOU WON'T NEED TO BOTHER US

**ENSEMBLE**

**CHORUS X 2**

TURN IT OFF AND ON

**ASHLEY:** (*attempts to fix the computer*) Ok so where is the off button...?

**Track 15:** *Explosion and Alarm*

*Ashley presses key, a loud explosion occurs followed by alarm and the lights go out. When the lights come back on everyone is collapsed in a heap on the floor.*

**ASHLEY:** I am so sorry.

**EUGENE:** Yes, well perhaps IT just isn't for you.

**SHELDON:** Now none of the computers are working!

**ASHLEY:** Why don't you try turning them off and on?

*Eugene and Sheldon glare at Ashley.*

**Track 12:** *IT Interlude*

*Black out.*

END OF SAMPLE