

What's Your Problem?

A one-minute play by Jake Lewis

A game show host stands in front of Alex, a contestant. Sound effect of applause.

HOST: Congratulations, Alex. You've made it to the final round of "What's Your Problem?"

ALEX: I can't believe it!

HOST: In order to win the one million dollars, you must answer the question, "What's your problem?" about our surprise person from your life.

ALEX: Who is it today? My wife? My mother?

HOST: Your question is...what is your boss's problem?

ALEX: You mean, Mr. Ramsey?

HOST: Yes, Joseph Ramsey.

ALEX: I wasn't expecting you to pick him. You usually only pick family members.

HOST: Ten seconds.

ALEX: If I say the right answer, and I get the million, I'll never have to see him again. But if I say the wrong answer...

HOST: ...then it's going to be very awkward in the office tomorrow.

Sound effect of canned audience laughter.

ALEX: My boss's problem is....

HOST: Time is almost up.

ALEX: ...he doesn't know the first thing about the job, yet gets paid the big bucks to tell us what to do!

Sound effect of audience gasping, followed by momentary silence.

HOST: Ooh, I'm sorry! That is incorrect. The answer we were looking for is, "His lunches stink up the employee lounge!" Thank you so much for playing, Alex, and good luck! We will see you all again tomorrow on an all new episode of

Sound effect of audience saying "What's! Your! Problem!"

Lights fade.