

## King of the Hill

**Concept:** This skit describes worldly kings. This is in contrast to God as king.

**Cast:** Penny, Jason and Jenny

**Set:** The entire puppet stage is needed for this skit. The upper back portion is the “hill” for this game of King of the Hill.

**(The three puppets are struggling, playing King of the Hill on the upper level. Penny stays on top, other two puppets struggle with her one at a time. Various “play” words are spoken. Kids keep playing three times, each time Penny ends up as king of the hill. After the third time, Jason and Jenny appear on the lower level.)**

**Penny:** *(singing)* I am King of the Hill! Woohoo! *(make a victory sound)* How does it feel to be smaller and below me?!

**Jenny:** *(to Jason)* Man, she is good at this game, but since she has won she is being kind of mean.

**Jason:** It's not even fun playing with her because she is a sore winner.

**Penny:** *(talking to the other two)* Hey! What are you two talking about? Since I am your king, you are now my people and I demand you tell me what you are talking about!

**Jenny:** *(looking at Jason and saying sarcastically)* Nothing, your majesty!

**Penny:** *(acting very puffed up)* As my people, you better not be saying anything against me!

**Jason:** *(to Jenny)* What's going on with Penny? She's become like King Nebuchadnezzar, and if we don't listen she might throw us in the fiery furnace!

**Jenny:** *(to Penny)* Penny, ever since you have become King of the Hill, you have started to be mean to us, calling us your people and demanding we listen to you.

**Penny:** Mean? I am just acting like a real king, demanding what I want, making you do what I say, you know-like Pharaoh when he made the people of Israel be his servants!

**Jason:** I can't really think of one nice king. I guess you're right... *(looking sad)* Kings in history haven't always been that nice or caring.

**Penny:** Exactly, so since I am King of the Hill, I should act like a normal king- rich and powerful!

**Jenny:** Yeah and in history, many kings started out well and ended up using their power for pretty bad things. King David was a man after God's own heart, and yet he used his power to take a wife that wasn't his and he even had one of his best friends killed.

**Jason:** It's sad to see that no amount of "good" in a person is enough to help them not become a king that overpowers people.

**Jenny:** I think a lot of the kings in history let the power go to their head, even if they were placed there by God himself, they still had to be always right, felt like they could take and do anything, and were very proud.

**Penny:** I don't know if I want to be king anymore... I don't want to be mean to you guys. You are my friends!

**Jason:** *(to Jenny)* You know Jenny, I think I can forgive her for being mean, what do you think?

**Jenny:** Yeah, I can too! Let's play again, and not let the kingship go to our heads!

*(before playing again)*

**Penny:** I wonder if there is a king in history that hasn't had the power go to their head?

**Jason:** Yeah, I wonder if there is anyone who is just and loving, who can make decisions based on loving the people who are under them!

**Penny:** Okay guys let's play!

**Jenny:** I'm winning this time!

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