

HOW PANDA'S GET THOSE SPOTS

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based on one of three
panda spot jokes I do on stage

FADE IN:

EXT. WILDLIFE ZOO - MIDDAY

A young man and woman are at a zoo. This is a zoo that caters to helping save animals and then letting them back into the wild. The young man is named GEORGE. The young woman is named LISA. She just started working at the zoo. And so she does not know all the ins and outs.

LISA meets up with GEORGE. GEORGE is taking notes on a clipboard.

GEORGE

(focused)

...Five... six... slightly bigger in the
right temporal region....

LISA

What kind of notes are you taking?

GEORGE

(still focused)

I am seeing the changes in the coats of the pandas.

LISA

I didn't know they changed.

GEORGE

Yes. Primarily it is the spots around their eyes. They get bigger and sometimes they disappear entirely.

LISA

(interested)

What causes this physiological change?

GEORGE

Well everyone knows that it is incredibly hard to get two pandas to mate.

LISA

Yes. They are quite picky.

GEORGE

Not picky. They are solitary creatures. They

like to do things alone.

LISA

I don't want to sound dumb, but I am not sure I understand.

Right then and there one of the pandas bends over and starts beating himself off. He wildly goes at it. And since they have such short spines, his head is right over his "area". As he gets more and more worked up he ends up whacking himself in the eye with his paw fist.

GEORGE

You see, Pandas give themselves black eyes.

FADE TO BLACK: