

A WASTE OF A TOTALLY GOOD JELLY BEAN

A comedic children's or teen monologue

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There is a wrong way. There's really a wrong way and you're doing it, Dad! You're doing it so wrong, wrong, wrong! You're totally wasting them! You know how hard it was for me to get those? I mean, I waited all year...since last Easter. And—I—I—I don't mind sharing with you. Really. I like it when I can give you something that I really like and you like it too. But—this—this is just wrong, Dad. When someone gives you 20 jelly beans, and they're all different flavors, like popcorn and chocolate pudding and blueberry, you don't just—you don't just shove them all in your mouth at once! Then you don't taste anything and it's just this giant blob of like, I don't know, sugary melted plastic or something. You gotta eat them, one at a time. Then you can taste each one, and it lasts like 15 minutes.

But the way you do it, the wrong way, means it's gone in 30 seconds. You tell me not to waste water, which is basically free and a bag of jelly beans is like, I don't know, ten dollars. So, think about your actions, Dad, before you eat the rest of those jelly beans. Just think about it...