

"COÑO"

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INT. SANDRA'S LIVING ROOM, HOLIDAY PARTY

DIANA

Still, I wanted to experience
Christmas like on TV.

Diana becomes her child-self. She watches TV then looks at her mom. Something isn't right. She stomps over to her to complain.

DIANA CHILD

Mami! Why don't we have turkey for
Christmas like they do on the Donny
and Marie Show?!

DIANA'S MOM

(exaggerated)

Que-que-que-que-que-
quuuueeee?!(then) *Un Turkey?! ..*
Diana... Turkey is for Sanksgibing,
okay. Sanksgibing belongs to
America ... pero las Christmas
belongs to Cuba, *coño!*

SOUND: Salsa music plays.

Diana's mom festively salsa dances. She spins around and,

VISUAL: Projected - The word "Coño" zooms in and looms above Diana.

DIANA

(to audience)

Coño. ... It's the all-purpose
curse word. It is extremely
vulgar. Don't say it! No really.
Don't.

(sees someone in the
audience)

Especially you. ...

(back to general audience)

Oh God, and Cubans say it all the
time. All--the--time! ... Gonna
make a sweeping characterization
here: all Cubans curse. --Except my
mom, (finger quotes) "she does not
curse."

DIANA'S MOM

(all innocent)

Yo? Nunca.

DIANA

Coño. Although it's not the "f-word" - it's similar... (and) Just like the "f-word" it has many different meanings depending on the inflection. For example...

(pointing at an audience member)

Coño! I told you que no!

(to general audience, teaching)

Anger.

(she pretends to eat something and reacts favorably)

Coñooooooo. That's delicious!

(to general audience, teaching)

Positive.

(suddenly she's startled and scared)

Coño! What was that?!

(teaching)

Fear.

(beat)

"Coño." ...Which reminds me, my mom has a great mantra during the holiday season.

Diana becomes her mom and she emphasizes.

DIANA'S MOM

Christmas is going to be perfect, coño.