

Scene 2 - Mrs. Kirshner's Class

Brain 1: Whoo! We're out of school! And we're back at home!

Brain 2: But you can still get the crabbies here. I hope they didn't follow us home.
(look around nervously)

Narrator: Long ago, in a land not so far away there were some kids about to get interrupted from the activities they love the most.

(Kid 1- playing video games, Kid 2- listening to music, Kid 3- watching TV)

Coach (On the Phone): I'm outside waiting for him. Just have him come outside.

Mom: Hey, coach is here. Go outside and meet him. *(Says to Kid 3)* And you two, come to dinner. *(Says to Kid 1 and 2)*

BRAIN 1: Mom's Voice. Check. Full dinner plates, check. Yup. It's Dinner time alright.

Kid 1: But I don't want to go to dinner. I'm just about to level up on _____.

Kid 2: *(ignores mom and starts dancing wearing earphones).*

Mom: Now.

Kid 2: Can't I just finish this song?

Mom: No. You, too. Your coach is waiting.

Kid 3: But I'm at the best part of my TV show, I don't want to go to soccer.

EMO: Oh, no. Snippy voice. Ignoring directions...I think there might be some crabs around here.

CRABS ENTER... EACH GOES TO A KID.

Crab 1: I love holding annoyed kids down. Time to mess with his head. **(Put on the crab trap hat)** Repeat after me, "My video game is more important than dinner."

Kid 1: My video game is more important than dinner.

Crab 2: I love holding annoyed kids down. Time to mess with his head. **(Put on the crab trap hat)** Repeat after me, "My music is more important than dinner."

Kid 2: My music is more important than dinner.

Crab 3: I love holding annoyed kids down. Time to mess with his head. (Put on the crab trap hat) Repeat after me, “I don’t want to go to soccer! Run away!”

Kid 3: I don’t want to go to soccer!... (get up and run away).

Mom: Wait, where are you going?

(Enter Gratitude Green Beret into Rio & Eco’s Control Center)

Gratitude Green Beret Captain: Halt! (with MUSIC) Two Claps for Gratitude!

RIO: Wait. It’s you again? What are you doing in our Command Central again?

Gratitude Green Beret Captain: We are the Gratitude Green Berets, a special reaction task force. We’re here to free those kids from their crab cages.

RIO & EMO: We know who you are. You already told us!

Gratitude Green Beret 1: Those crabs are keeping the kids hostage.

Gratitude Green Beret 2: Making transitions is difficult and is getting in their way of thinking positive about what is coming up.

Gratitude Green Beret 3: Send us in, Captain. We’ll make crabbie patties out of those agitated thoughts.

EMO: Rio, the body systems check is reporting that the kids have gone from annoyed to agitated after those crabs told them how to respond.

RIO: Maybe the Gratitude Berets could help.Ok, Captain lead your army in.

Gratitude Green Beret Captain: You heard Rio. When I give the signal, go in and save your kid.

Gratitude Green Beret 1: (march up to crab - With MUSIC) Two claps for gratitude!
(Crab 1 scurry away in fear.) Repeat after me, “I’ll be able to see my dad at dinner. It will be nice to talk with him.”

Kid 1: I’ll be able to see my dad at dinner. It will be nice to talk with him
(Remove cage and sigh in relief loudly.)

Gratitude Green Beret 2: (march up to crab with MUSIC) Two claps for gratitude!
(Crab 2 scurry away in fear.) Repeat after me, “My mom cooked a really yummy dinner tonight.”

Kid 2: “My mom cooked a really yummy dinner tonight.” (Take off the cage.)

Gratitude Green Beret 3: (march up to crab 3 with MUSIC) Two claps for gratitude!
(Crab 3 scurry away in fear.) Repeat after me, “I’m thankful that I get to see my friends and play soccer with them.

Kid 3: I’m thankful that I get to see my friends and play soccer with them.
(Remove cage and march out the door to your coach to soccer with confidence.)

Coach: Hey kid, get in the car!

Friend 1: Come on! I love playing soccer with you.

Friend 2: Yeah! Let’s go play!
(Kid 3 gets in the car and smiles. Coach drives away.)

BRAIN 2: (amazed) Captain, how’d your troops defeat the crabby thoughts so easily again.

Captain: When people notice the good things, it helps them change their crabby mindset and move forward without worry.

Gratitude Green Beret 1,2, &3: (with MUSIC) Two claps for gratitude!

Narrator: A glimmer of gladness is enough to help you climb out of the crab trap.

Brain 1	Alexander	Urrutia
Brain 2	Sarah	Rees
Emo	Avery	Salaga
Rio	Julia	Wickman
Narrator	Kasey	McCartan
Coach	Mason	Fisher
Mom	Julianna	Messina
Kid 1	Aidan	Armstrong
Kid 2	Olive	Moffatt
Kid 3	Aidan	O'Connor
Crab 1	Seraphina	Bloechle
Crab 2	Chelsea	Clarkin
Crab 3	Madison	Couri
GB 1	Aaron	Prokopczyk
GB 2	Charles	Rosengren
GB 3	Gavin	Zeck
GB Captain	Harlan	Dunn
Friend 1	Brigid	Dougan
Friend 2	Ryan	Hayes