MBMBaM 522: The Open and Honest Heart of a Child's Eyes

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Intro (Bob Ball): The McElroy brothers are not experts, and their advice should never be followed. Travis insists he's a sexpert, but if there's a degree on his wall, I haven't seen it. Also, this show isn't for kids, which I mention only so the babies out there will know how cool they are for listening. What's up, you cool baby?

[theme music plays]

Justin: Hello, everybody, and welcome to *My Brother, My Brother and Me*, an advice show for the modern era. I'm your oldest brother, Justin McElroy, and I just punched the noss!

Travis: I'm your middlest brother, Trav-v-v-vis McElroy!

Griffin: I'm your sweet—and I'm your—[gravelly] I'm your sweet baby brother, Griffiiin.

Travis: No.

Griffin: [normally] What?

Travis: No. Justin and I were bringing, like, a high-energy thing in, and you kinda came in scary.

Justin: No, I think he ga—I think he's like a bad boy, or a wild man.

Travis: Oh!

Griffin: I was pretty ba—yeah, let me go at it differently, 'cause a lot of people, when they say like, "He's the bad boy," like, "He talks like this!" But he can also be a bad boy like... [nasally, wavering tone] I'm—I'm Griffin.

Travis: Mm...

Griffin: [normally] 'Cause you know that—

Travis: Can you do that, and then do some sound effects, like some mouth sounds, kinda thing?

Griffin: Sure, sure, sure. Sure, sure.

[nasally, wavering voice] I'm... [laughs] Griffin. [makes slurping mouth noises]

[normally] 'Cause you know he's up to some shit.

Travis: Uh-huh. Yeah, he's really losin' the Juice.

Griffin: He's a—he is a... bad boy, that one.

Travis: Yeah, but I feel like he's a lowercase-b... lowercase-b bad boy, as opposed to like, capital-B's all around, like, "I'm a Bad Boy!"

Griffin: Yeah.

Travis: "I'm a bad boy."

Griffin: "I'm over here with fucking Nobzilla and the Wolf Man!"

[meekly, wavering] "And I'm just a baaad boy! Mm!" [giggling]

Travis: You sound like you're the third host, but also you live in the vents, and we can't get rid of you.

Griffin: "Don't open that closet! [giggles, snorts]"

Travis: Oh, boy. That's prize closet. If you want something out of there, it's your own risk.

Justin: I have a confession to make. I—almost every episode, I tend to start now by Googling Britney Spears.

Travis: Uh-huh.

Justin: Just to see, like, how she's doing.

Travis: Yup.

Griffin: Yeah.

Justin: Because I feel like she's on a sort of like... power groove that no one is—like, people aren't clocking it.

Griffin: It's a quest in the fantastical sense. That like, people rarely actually go on.

Justin: She's like every—and this is not a mocking of Britney Spears, she's just on some, like, very next-level shit, and is very much like, having a personal journey that is completely about her own power and her own shit. So I just like to Google Britney Spears just to see, like, what is going on right now over there at that camp.

Fucking first headline that pops up...

Travis: Uh-huh?

Justin: ... from one day ago, "Britney Spears Makes Eye-Opening Discovery After Watching Tim Burton's *Big Eyes*."

Griffin: [bursts out laughing] How did that make the news?

Justin: [laughing] I can't—that is so dope!

Travis: Okay, can I—may I read the quote as to what the eye-opening discovery was?

Justin: No, no, no. I've got the story here. I'm on this tit. Don't fucking Google Britney Spears after I've already Googled her.

Travis: I—

Justin: If you wanted to make it a thing, you should've given it a segment name.

"The 30-year-old pop star took—38-year-old pop star took to Instagram on Saturday, August 8th, in the year of our Lord, 2020..."

Travis: Mm-hm.

Justin: "... to gush about Tim Burton, her 'favorite director in the whole world,' and his 2014 drama about American painter Margaret Keane. She gives a short synopsis of the film, which stars Amy Adam and Christopher Waltz." A fucking—I mean, by *any* stretch of the information, a minor Tim Burton work that does, I'll admit, have its moments.

Here's her quote: "It was very weird. The same day I watched this movie I did a mini photo shoot, and look how freaking big my eyes were!"

[clapping]

Justin: "The singer wrote alongside the photo shoot pictures, "I mean, my eyes have never been that big. It's actually kind of crazy, and they aren't retouched at all. Coincidence, maybe?"

Travis: [laughs]

Justin: She said—and this is, like—this is powerful, I think. "If the power of what you see and hear can influence your life that much... I mean, literally stay away from bad people and raise your awareness with high energy people. That's what I learned from this. And watch *Big Eyes* while you're at it." [laughs] Thank you!

Griffin: Whoa!

Travis: And then it says, hash tag "#ad," which is weird.

Justin: Hash tag #ad for the 2014 Sony Pictures film... 2014's Big Eyes.

Griffin: I wish somebody would make a movie called Strong Muscles Big

Wiener. 'Cause-

Travis and Justin: [laughing]

Griffin: That would be sick to channel that.

Justin: So that's Britney Spears, just coming in. I would just hope—I started recording. I jumped in on the boys. Normally, we talk about what we were gonna talked about in the beginning. I started the recording, and just absolute called shot, like, I hope Britney Spears is on some dope shit, and there she is! Just Britney, talking about how good 2014's *Big Eyes* is.

Did you guys see Big Eyes?

Travis: No!

Griffin: No, I can't say I did.

Justin: It's a good... it's a okay little flick. That's what I'll say. It's okay.

Griffin: This has been *Big Eyes* Watch, I *guess*?

Travis: More like Britney Watches *Big Eyes* Watch.

Justin: Yeah, we're watching—

Griffin: Oh, damn! Let's revisit—let's do Britney Watch Scoob Watch, get

her take on *Scoob*?

Travis: [laughs]

Griffin: Um, hey, can we start doing the show? I feel like we got a lot of—a

lot of gas in the tank, and I wanted to—

Travis: I actually have—I have uh—

Griffin: If it's not Riddle Me Piss, then you can...

Travis: It's not Riddle Me Piss.

Griffin: Okay.

Travis: This is a different thing. Um, I wanted to say thank you to everybody. You know, that we've finished the MaxFunDrive. It was very, uh, surprisingly—

Griffin: What do you think, Juice? Play Along at Home, or Reach for the Stars?

Justin: Hard to say.

Travis: A lot of people were giving, and we weren't expecting all the support. It means the world. So... we always talk about how people support. We'd like to put back into the show.

Griffin: Feels like Play Along at Home.

Travis: So I made a big of an investment here, and I wasn't sure how this was gonna play out...

Griffin: Bring it. Bring it here.

Travis: ... but I have a special guest here.

[slightly lower voice] Hey, everybody, it's me, Dave Matthews.

Griffin: Oh... okay?

Travis: I was—my friend Travis reached out to me, and asked permission to use some of my songs, and I s—and he told me his idea, and I said, 'Only if I can play too.' [singing] Little baby!

Justin: Dave, it's so cool to have you on the show. How have your sort of journeys been going, man? Tell me any—any recent pilgrimages?

Travis: [slightly lower voice] Uh, mostly into my own mind.

Justin: Oh, that—yeah.

Griffin: Okay. Yeah.

Travis: Yeah, but I've been—

Griffin: That's probably—

Travis: [singing] Trippin' billies!

Griffin: Yeah, that's probably for the best, because of your sort of irresponsible... sort of treatment of human waste while you are on...

Travis: I've got a bad track record with... [laughs] my doodie.

Justin: [laughs]

Travis: I still feel bad about that.

Griffin: Say, out loud, what you did?

Travis: "Ah..."

Griffin: Like the court ordered you to do?

Travis: Well, it wasn't me, but my tour bus was filled with Dave Matthews

shit.

Justin: [laughs]

Griffin: Well, not just Dave Matthews, the shit of—your whole—

Travis: The band's shit, yes.

Justin: If you think about how healthy that band eats, it's probably just Clif

Bars, though, huh? Just a big tank full of Clif Bars.

Travis: Well, we get a—we get a lot of roughage. And then my tour manager dunked it over the side of a bridge in Chicago, if I remember correctly, and it landed on a boat full of people.

Justin: [laughs]

Griffin: Yeah.

Travis: And I still feel—still feel real terrible about that.

Griffin: Yeah, you should feel—even if it hadn't landed on a boat full of people, Dave Matthews... you shouldn't make your boat shit over a bridge.

Travis: Well...

Justin: [bursts out laughing]

Travis: In recompense, I—I haven't pooped in over 20 years.

Griffin: Fantastic.

Justin: [laughs] I will say about Dave Matthews, though, a lot of celebs have some black marks on their career. I do have to say, in the grand scheme of things, 'he made his bus take a shit on the boat' is not the worst... [laughs]

Griffin: No.

Justin: Is not the worst.

Travis: Uh, so Travis and I have cooked up... a little game for you all, and here's the theme song. [singing] We Phish out each other, wondering what the other is Phishing. We remember being Phish, laying under the table and Phishing!

[normally] Thank you, Dave. I'll take it from here. So this game is called Laying Under the Table and Phishing, and what we've got here, I've got a collection of Dave Matthews lyrics...

Griffin: Right.

Travis: ... and Phish lyrics.

Griffin: Like, the band, P-H-I—

Travis: The band, Phish.

Griffin: Okay.

Travis: And I'm going to read them. And these different rounds, they can be any combination of Dave Matthews Band lyrics and Phish lyrics. And Justin and Griffin, I want you to guess which is which.

Griffin: I think we understand.

Justin: I unironically enjoy both of these bands.

Travis: I do, as well.

Justin: Is that about to be challenged?

Travis: No, I do as well. I do as well.

Griffin: Okay.

Travis: They just have a similar jam feeling.

Griffin: I mean, "Ants Marching" slaps ass, and... I will cede a few more points to Mr. Matthews. Master Matthews.

Travis: [low voice] Uh, I'm sorry, I just wanted to jump back in here. A *lot* of my music slaps ass, Griffin. It's very good.

Justin: [laughing]

Travis: I'm very proud of it.

Griffin: Alright. Let's go.

Travis: I'm not proud of everything I've done in my life.

Justin: [laughs]

Griffin: Dave, can I talk to Trav?

Justin: Like when you damage your bus, take a shit on a boat.

Travis: Yes, I feel terrible about that. I've already said, I've been blocked up for years because of the guilt!

Griffin: Yeah. You're kind of turning into a southern grandpa, Dave Matthews Band.

Travis: Well, I go by—no one really knows where I'm from.

Justin: South Africa.

Travis: Mm, maybe. [laughs] I don't even know anymore. I've traveled so much.

[normally] Alright. Now, sorry Dave, sorry. We're running out of time here, Dave. Alright. Round one...

Griffin: It feels like it. Boy, it feels like it, more and more, every episode.

Travis: Round one. "Caught you just then, hands were in the cookie jar. How can we share when you sneak up and go? I've no intention of losing my beard. How they design, and then we go again."

Griffin: Phish.

Justin: I'm gonna say Phish, just because Trey Anastasio... oft has a beard, and I don't think I've ever seen Dave Matthews without a beard.

Griffin: And he loves cookies.

Travis: Incorrect. That is Dave Matthews, from "Kit Kat Jam."

Griffin: Fuck!

Justin: Damn it!

Griffin: He did a song called "Kid Kat Jam"?

Travis: "Kit Kat Jam!" Loves those—

Griffin: [laughing]

Travis: [low voice] I love... I—give me a break.

Griffin: Whoa, that was weird! You picked up the sentence right where

Travis left off!

Travis: Travis and I have been together so long now, we finish each other's sentences.

Griffin: Yeah. You've been there for all of Travis' major life events, like when he picked up a not-great Dave Matthews impression.

Travis: Well, I live inside Travis now. This is—it's a *Being John Malkovich* journey we're on.

Griffin: Yeah.

Travis: [normally] Alright. Next lyric. "I had to get away. I was losing my interest. Instead of expanding my world, I was just scanning Pinterest."

Justin: Okay, wait. I—[sighs] I wanna say Dave Matthews. That feels too concrete for Phish.

Griffin: Uhh... I'm going to say Phish every round, and hope that I get some

right.

Travis: Griffin is correct, that is Phish!

Justin: Damn.

Griffin: Great.

Travis: "Things People Do."

Griffin: That's a great name for a song, great name for a tune.

Travis: "Woman, please, I'm in your possession. You are my obsession. Let

me go down. Down, down, down..."

Justin: Dave Matthews Band.

Travis: "...down, down, down..."

Justin: Dave Matthews Band. Dave Matthews Band. Dave Matthews Band.

Travis: "...down, down."

Justin: Dave Matthews Band. Dave Matthews Band.

Griffin: If I don't hop on that boat, when Justin feels so certain about it,

and get dumped on by that beautiful band's bus, then...

Travis: [laughs] Hop on the boat, Griffin.

Griffin: Yeah.

Travis: Yes, that is correct. It was Dave Matthews Band "Seven." So it's

Justin one, Griffin two. Okay, you ready? Round two.

"And then one day, you find to your intense delight that three wrong turns can really make a right. So why not be like me? Be proud of all your crimes. 'Cause when I screw up once, I do it two more times."

Justin: That's Phish.

Griffin: That... is... David Matthews Man.

Travis: "I'm the David Matthews Man." No, it is Phish! Justin's correct! It's two and two! That's from Phish's "Blaze On."

Next one. "I can't stop thinking about you. Yeah, yeah, yeah. Why would I want to? I like coffee with toast and jelly, but I'd rather be licking from your back to your belly."

Justin: Fucking Dave Matthews, are you kidding me?

Griffin: [repeated noises of horror]

Justin: [laughs] It's obviously Dave Matthews.

Griffin: Whoever it is—I'm wearing a wire, and I've been waiting for this moment to arrest David Matthews Man for these words.

Justin: [laughs] If you look—

Travis: [lower] It was me, David Matthews, from my song 'Shake Me Like a Monkey.'

Griffin: Okay.

Justin: If you—fucking Dave...

Griffin: That sucks, dude.

Justin: If a lyric—here's a hint. Here's my secret tip. If a lyric sends you looking for a hang-up button that does not exist...

Griffin: [bursts out laughing]

Justin: "Who—who is this?!"

Griffin: Hey, Dave?

Justin: "How did you get this number?!"

Griffin: David Matthews Man, can I ask you a question?

Travis: Yes, please.

Griffin: Is it one... uninterrupted lick?

Travis: Yes.

Griffin: Okay. Which axis do you rotate... [increasing laughter] the woman...

on?

Justin: [laughing]

Travis: I have a lathe. [laughs] I have—

Griffin: I'm glad you have a woman lathe, David Matthews Man. I don't—

Travis: I only use it consensually.

Griffin: No, I know, but does it go sort of—

Travis: And concentrically.

Griffin: Okay. But—

Travis: [singing] Little baby!

Griffin: Fantastic. [laughs]

Justin: [laughing]

Griffin: You've got—you're dodging the question. Do you go heighth-wise, or—you know, from back to your back—

Travis: It depends on the day.

Griffin: It shouldn't—that's a great deal of distance different! If you go from her back, and then you go around her, like, side of her tummy to her belly button, you're traveling... you know, half of the circu—the width circumference...

Travis: Mm-hm.

Griffin: But if you go from back and then over her head and down her face? Or down the butt is another option, Dave, and I feel like we're talking about a few different sort of tongue experiences.

Travis: It all depends on how much time I have in my schedule.

Justin: [sighs] Are there more?

Travis: There are more!

Justin: Okay.

Travis: [normally] Round three. Currently, I believe it's two and two.

Justin: Okay.

Travis: Oh, no, three and three.

Griffin: How could it possibly be round three?

Travis: "If you give, you—" Okay, sorry. "If you give, you, you begin to live. If you give, you begin to live. You begin, you get the world. If you give, you begin to give. You get the world, you get the world. If you give, you begin to live."

Griffin: Daaave. That was you, Dave, wasn't it?

Justin: I'm gonna say Phish, because that feels like a jam... sort of lyric.

Travis: [low voice] It was me, Dave Matthew—I can't—I don't know what that means.

Griffin: Sometimes, Dave—Dave Matthews Man kind of breaks sometimes, and you gotta f—you gotta get a little needle, and you gotta push it in his little reset indentation. And it's either on his back or his belly.

Justin: In my—[laughs] in his temple. Uh, okay, that was Dave.

Griffin: That's—that's Dave.

Justin: Congratulations, Griffin.

Travis: Okay, so it's four to three. Griffin is winning. And that's from the song "You Might Die Trying." Okay, next one.

Griffin: I—legally, you have to tell me how many more fucking questions there are left.

Travis: One last one. "I'm not all bad, but I'm a faithful sinner. I might get lost, but I'll be home for dinner."

[clap]

Justin: Phish.

Travis: "If God don't like me, he can send me to hell. But I love the way you love me, girl. I love the way you move."

Justin: I need to change to Dave.

Griffin: Now, see, it's Dave Mat—if he says that, if he mentions... "girl," I feel like Phish doesn't fuck like that. Dave Matthews Band is like, "Get on my lathe, girl." I'm gonna say Dave Matthews Man.

Travis: Uh, it was the Dave Matthews Man.

Justin: Yes!

Travis: Griffin wins five to four, but it was a good... good battle.

Justin: Dave Matthews... every lyric Dave Matthews writes is like, a very

creative pervert.

Griffin: Mm-hm.

Travis: Yeah!

Justin: And every song that Phish writes is like a harlequin with gout.

Griffin: Yeah.

Justin: If it's a medieval harlequin, or some sort of like, jester in a dark

carnival, that feels more like Phish.

Travis: [low voice] Just to remind everyone that my song, 'Crash,' is about

a man spying on a woman through a window. I love songs about perverts.

Justin: [laughs]

Griffin: Yeah. "Stop getting married to it."

Travis: I love perverts.

Justin: Okay.

Travis: I might not be one myself, but I celebrate... their whole deal.

Justin: We don't know, Dave...

Travis: Thank you so much for having me. Do you guys have any snacks,

or a bathroom I could use?

Justin: Okay. Goodbye. Thank you, Dave. This is our advice show, obviously.

Griffin: Oh, you're kidding me. We're 16 minutes in, we're just now laying out—I don't think we can say that, fucking, anymore.

Justin: It is. I mean—

Griffin: It's a Dave Matthews Show where we sometimes tell people what to do.

Justin: "I'm in an air travel-related pickle. Next month, I'm moving from Japan to the Czech Republic. I'm in the midst of packing things to ship over, which is expensive as shit, and I have three hats I refuse to part with: a couple of bowlers, and a wide-brim hat. The problem is, they don't fit in the last box of my suitcase." I can already see what you're about to ask, and...

"So how many hats is too many hats to wear on an airplane without getting caught, stopped? How many hats can I wear before I'm... [laughs] too suspicious?" And that's from Mariah.

Travis: Okay. I can say from experience, I have worn one hat, and I've had to remove it...

Griffin: Yeah.

Travis: ... so they could pat my hair, and tell me I'm a good boy.

Griffin: Yeah. And then they smelled their hand for a long time. Too long. Too long after that.

Travis: Yeah. I will just say one hat. And now, I think you're asking several questions here, Mariah, right? Because I don't... think... I don't know about the travel laws of either Japan or Czech Republic, but I don't think there's anything *illegal* about wearing more than one hat onto an airplane.

Griffin: No. I mean, we can't wager a guess at the sort of cultural, uh, uh, differences that would sort of aid us in answering this question.

I do think we can say that I can't imagine a society where three hats is... great.

Justin: I wanna hit—I wanna hit you guys with a question.

Griffin: Yeah.

Justin: Just a theoretical question. W—okay. Is there a place...

Griffin: Mm.

Justin: ... that is less suspicious to put a second hat than on top of the first hat? Because I'm sitting here thinking about it, like, what if you put it here, or here, or here? I feel like any place you put the second hat is going to be more weird...

Travis: Yeah.

Justin: ... than on top of the first hat.

Travis: Yeah.

Griffin: Yeah.

Justin: Is that fair?

Travis: Could you safety pin the hats together...

Griffin: Okay.

Travis: ... so that one hat goes on top of your head, and the other two hang down on either side of your head.

Justin: Okay.

Griffin: Okay.

Travis: So—and just call it fashion.

Justin: That's the worst one so far. Oh, this is fashion.

Travis: It's fashion.

Justin: I feel like you can have one on a carabiner on your waist. [laughs]

That just says—

Griffin: That's fucking great, Juice.

Travis: Yeah.

Justin: That's like, listen, I don't know what this day is gonna hold. This hat

could get, I don't know, ruined.

Travis: Uh-huh.

Justin: And I don't necessarily—

Travis: Blown away by a jet engine.

Justin: Could get blown away by a jet engine, confiscated by a handsy TSA

agent, no one knows.

Travis: Yeah.

Justin: But I think having one—I think you could do one in a—like, on your

waist. On your belt hook.

Travis: Yeah. For the third, let me suggest... big teddy bear. You put that

hat on the teddy bear.

Griffin: That's great.

Justin: Fuck, that's actually not bad, Travis. God damn it.

Griffin: Well, I mean, it is—all you've done there is added a tremendous amount of bulk to your hat.

Travis: It is one of your carry-ons, yeah. It now becomes a carry-on. But you can't carry-on a hat. You can't be like, "I have two carry-ons, my backpack and this hat."

Justin: Um, this is my—and that's good for going through [laughs] security, too, 'cause you're carrying a giant bear wearing a hat. And they'll say, "That's adorable."

You're like, "Yeah. His name is Mr. Not Filled With Drugs."

Travis: [laughs]

Griffin: [laughs]

Justin: "Don't test him!"

Travis: Let me ask you guys something. What is more—

Griffin: Come here, Doctor—come here, Doctor Oozy Belly.

Travis: [laughs] What is more suspish: two hats, or three hats?

Griffin: Uh, two hats is way more suspish than three hats.

Travis: Agreed.

Griffin: Yeah. 'Cause once—here's the thing that's fucked up about what Travis said about it being fashion, is if I saw somebody with two hats, I would think it was some sort of, like, shell game, or something terrible's underneath one of the hats. If I see three hats on a person, I'll be like, "Hmm! That must be the style..."

Travis: Right.

Griffin: "...for something."

Justin: Three hats, you're doing a thing.

Travis: Right.

Griffin: You're doing a thing, yeah.

Travis: Now it's an affectation.

Griffin: Two hats, you're being an asshole.

Travis: Right.

Justin: [laughs]

Travis: Unless you might've—you might've put on a hat, forgetting you already had a hat on.

Justin: That's what I'm saying. Two hats—[laughs] This is my argument. Two hats raises the—and I think is what we're finally getting the meat of here. Two hats raises the question of, "Did they not remember that they had already placed a hat on their head?"

Travis: Correct.

Griffin: Right...

Justin: Three, there's just no way. We've kissed plausibility goodbye. It's a choice you're making. And I can get on board with that, if it's a choice.

Griffin: [laughs]

Justin: You've chosen this.

Griffin: I just remembered the types of hats we are talking about here, and it is two bowlers and a wide-brimmed hat.

Travis: Oh, easy! So you go bowler, wide-brimmed hat, bowler, wide-brimmed hat sandwich. Bada-bing, bada-boom. Fashion.

Griffin: Yeah. That is the way to do it, yeah. I guess my question is – and please, Mariah, do not take this as a personal judgment on you, but there is no way to get through this sentence without it being explicitly that – why do you need these hats? Why do you—

Travis: 'Cause they're cool hats, Griffin!

Griffin: Two bowlers and a wide-brimmed hat feels like... when you're—especially when you're doing an uprooting of your life from one sort of region to another...

Justin: You got a clean slate.

Griffin: I think you should clean-slate it. When I moved from Cincinnati to Chicago, I threw... so much stuff in the dumpsters right behind the shitty apartment that Travis and I lived in. I threw several swords away. You think I wanted to keep those swords?

Travis: Yes.

Griffin: Absolutely, I did.

Justin: For sure, you did.

Griffin: But I'm starting over. I'm rebooting my life. Maybe now, in your new life, your Czech Republic life, you just have one hat that you're very proud of.

Travis: May—what if you wore all three hats, and as you walk through the terminal, you just kept shouting, "Hats for sale! I've got hats for sale!"

Griffin: "50 cents a cap!"

Travis: And then you go through security, and then you continue yelling, "Hats for sale! Hats—"

And then everyone's like, "Why is that person wearing so many hats? Oh, obviously it's 'cause they're for sale."

Now, obviously there's a downside here. There is a risk. Where someone buys your hat...

Griffin: Someone's gonna buy your hat, and then you don't have it anymore. Yeah.

Justin: But that's a choi—I mean, at least you got that going for you now. You can buy another hat when you get there.

Travis: Yes!

Justin: I would make the argument that you guys are being too pragmatic about it. If you can't wear all three of these hats at the same time, you probably don't need three hats.

Griffin: Thank youuu!

Travis: Huh. Well, yeah. Huh. But what about coordinating with different outfits?

Justin: Mm... Just get rid of the outfits that match the other two hats.

Travis: Ah, but they only have three outfits, one for each hat.

Justin: It's like, have you never seen—it's like, have you never seen *Doug*? Like, just wear the same outfit and the same hit.

Griffin: [sighs]

Travis: How come Doug never wore a bowler? [laughs]

Griffin: Can we... He would've been chomping fuckin' Beebe's style if he did that.

Travis: That's true.

Griffin: Uh, can we taskmaster this a little bit...

Travis: Okay.

Griffin: ... and like, try and—I think there's a way to do this without it being weird at all. Wide brimmed hat goes on the head. There is nowhere else that that is going to go.

Justin: Yes.

Griffin: The brim is far too wide. One bowler, you put some elastic on it, and put that around your face. That's your mask.

Justin: [through laughter] Okay.

Travis: Yeah, yeah, yeah.

Justin: Yes?

Griffin: Now, we just have one more hat to conceal. And I feel like so far, boys, I've done the lion's share of the work on this.

Travis: Okay.

Griffin: So you can tell me where the other hat goes, where it's not gonna be weird. Don't say it's under the shirt and say it's like a tummy—

Travis: No.

Griffin: Okay.

Travis: No. You're going to clip two straps onto it, sling it over your shoulders... now it's like a hat pack, you know?

Justin: Yeah.

Griffin: A hat pack...

Travis: It's kind of like, "Oh, that's a cool-looking backpack! It looks just

like a bowler!"

Griffin: "Thanks! It's a hat!" [laughs]

Justin: [laughs] "Thanks! It's just a regular hat." You, like, take it off to show him, and like, packs of loose gum fall out of it. "It's very bad and ineffective."

Griffin: [laughs]

Justin: "It's a hat pack."

Travis: It's a hat pack!

Griffin: "What do you keep in it?"

"The hat!"

Travis: [laughs]

Griffin: "It takes my hat from one to another."

Justin: I do think, though, you could do the, like, neck thing. Like, hang it

like a safari guy.

Travis: Uh-huh.

Griffin: Yeah.

Justin: From your neck, hanging to your back. And maybe no one would question it. I think you might be able to get away with that, actually.

Travis: I actually think, now that I'm thinking about it, with all the TSA agents here in the United States that I've encountered...

Griffin: Yeah.

Travis: ... they would be like, "Are there drugs or a bomb or whatever in that?" And I'd be like, "No."

And they'd be like, "Then just keep—please keep moving. We have a lot of people to get through, and I don't care about your dumbass hats." [laughs]

Griffin: Uh, hey, can I do a Yahoo?

Justin: Please.

Griffin: I'm so excited for this one. It was sent in by the prospector, Merit Palmer—

Travis: Mariah, I'm not saying your hats are dumb. I'm saying all my hats are dumb.

Griffin: No, I'm not saying Mariah's hats are dumb. I'm saying two of them are.

Travis: Okay.

Griffin: And one of them is good. And that's the one to really invest in.

Travis: Okay.

Griffin: This Yahoo is asked by Yahoo Answers user Hanging Bat, and I'll be honest with you, boys, I mostly want to talk about this one for the responses.

Hanging Bat asks, "Poll: if you were a recipe, what ingredients would I need?" *Biiig* open-mouth smiley face emotion.

Travis: Is this a sexy thing?

Griffin: Um, I mean—

Travis: You read it like that.

Griffin: It's on Yahoo Answers, so it's gonna be, for some... people.

Travis: Okay. If I was a recipe, not—not what food I would be, but what ingredient...

Griffin: Yeah.

Travis: Huh.

Griffin: So we have 10 responses to this.

Travis: Okay.

Griffin: 10 Yahoo Answers users have weighed in, and given their rec—their pers—I'm on AllRecipes.com, looking at these users' recipes to make them as human beings, as they are known on the Earth today, and each one is a slam dunk in a different way, which I've never really seen before. And I would like to just sort of do—these are from two days ago, by the way. Merit got this one hot and fresh out the kitchen.

P. says, "Everything sweet, and a large oven!" Tongue sticking out emoticon.

Travis: Huh.

Griffin: Weasel McWeasel says, "A healthy dose of no quit, with a liberal splash of charm and wit."

Travis: Now...

Justin: That's good.

Travis: But those aren't ingredients that you can buy! I can't go to the store and be like, "Where is your don't quit?"

Griffin: Travis, you can't approach this—I need you to come at this with the open and honest heart of a child's eyes.

Justin: [laughs]

Griffin: Okay?

Travis: I understand that, but I was sitting here, thinking about, I don't know, some salt? Like, I was like, trying to do it...

Griffin: Travis' recipe is a fucking little pair of glasses he can push up his nose when he's being an asshole about—

Travis: Pince-nez, please.

Griffin: Exactly, thank you!

Justin: Thank you!

Griffin: Uh, this one's—Little Big Man says, "A heart, and as the song goes, 'handel' me with care."

Justin: [snorts]

Griffin: You know the song. From I guess the composer Hundel? Uh, me with care?

Uh, Cheese Brain does say, "Tequila. Mix orange juice or some Sprite will be fine. Add loads of ice." That's a screwdriver, I think?

Travis: But those are ingredients!

Justin: It's not a screwdriver.

Travis: If you wanna make Travis, you need blood and bones and skin...

Griffin: [laughs loudly]

Travis: ... and some goo for the eyeballs...

Justin: "But what of the soul?"

Travis: I don't—call God.

Griffin: What of this—what of this soul, Trav.

Travis: Call God. Don't put a soul in there.

Griffin: Alright. Elliot—that's rough. Elliot the Corgi says, "Lots of fur, vanilla ice cream, and a cozy hoodie, hun!" And then a—

Travis: Wait, lots of fur?

Griffin: Lots of fur. Please let me finish.

Travis: Okay.

Griffin: This one got—this is the only one of these 10 answers—you can give the answers a thumbs up or a thumbs down. This one has two thumbs up and one thumbs down. It's the only one that somebody said, "No."

"Lots of fur, vanilla ice cream, and a cozy hoodie, hun!" And then a dog emoji. And I don't know if the dog is part of it.

Justin: The d—what—okay, read the username.

Griffin: Elliot the Corgi.

Justin: Thank you. It's a corgi.

Griffin: Yeah. Yeah.

Travis: Okay.

Justin: Got the ability to use a computer.

Travis: Then why the hoodie?

Justin: Now, the hoodie is a good question, because it's weird enough you're on the internet. You don't need to draw more attention to yourself by wearing a hoodie.

Griffin: And—

Travis: Well, dogs have nature's hoodie!

Griffin: And I love a corgi, too, but that is—and please, corgi user—actually, go ahead and tweet at me, corgi lovers. They're not the best smelling breed of dog. They got that coarse hair, they sweat a lot, they're low to the ground, they pick up a lot of detritus. I don't want to continue recycling that—

Travis: What is the best smelling dog, Griffin?

Griffin: What's the best smelling dog?

Travis: Uh-huh.

Justin: Mm.

Griffin: Mmm. Chocolate lab.

Travis: 'Cause it smells like chocolate? Is that what—is that what you

mean?

Griffin: Uh, ABCA Me at—

Travis: Griffin. Griffin, I'm sorry. Does it—does it smell like chocolate?

Griffin: Uh, yeah. ABCA Me says, "Egg whites, granulated sugar, cream of tartar." Tarter or tar-tar? Nobody's quite sure. "Vanilla extract." So they—that's Travis, actually.

Travis: Yes, thank you!

Griffin: Travis made that one.

My friend fucking Hal-a-peno says, "High octane grain alcohol, matches, and the ability to run really, really, really fast!"

Travis: [laughs]

Griffin: [close to mic] "Can you handle it?"

Travis and Justin: [laugh]

Griffin: Nice.

Justin: Just the idea... [laughs] that someone was like, "How fast do you run?" They're like, "Really, really, really fast." [laughs]

Griffin: "We're gonna burn some shit down."

"Why?"

"'Cause we're making this Yahoo Answers user in the lab."

Here—I'm gonna read the ingredients to this one first, and then I'll read the username. "Just a vat of high-fructose corn syrup, and a mold that looks like a roach."

Travis: Huh!

Griffin: And that's from Yahoo Answers user... Gummy Roach.

Travis: Oh!

Griffin: [laughs] They didn't make this account to answer this question. They have eight—they have answered 8,634 questions. They have 314,000 points. This is a power user.

This person's name I can't read, because it's made out of weird characters, but I think it might say "Shadow." Shadow says, "Spice, spice, and more

spice. Know why, don't ya? Spice is hot as pepper spice, so hot you can't handle it. I'm talking about Carolina Reaper hot, the world's hottest pepper."

Travis: Okay.

Griffin: So that's just one ingre—I guess Shadow is... just a big... pepper?

Travis: Also, Shadow, I don't... I don't know how to tell you this, but "spice" is like a category of food. Like, you wouldn't, like, in a recipe, be like, "You know, add eggs and butter and some spice."

Griffin: This username is corrupted in some way. I can't read it. It's just, like, two blank boxes. It says, "Passion fruit and Turkish Delight." So they're bringing the rear with the weakest result there, but um...

Justin: Yeah.

Travis: But I do like—I like any of these that I could go, "Okay, I'm gonna make this person." The gummy roach? I can make that.

Griffin: You could make that. That one wins Travis' prize.

Travis: Right, but it—if it's like, "A can-do attitude and a whole bunch of 'don't quit,' can you handle that?" Like, that's not helpful! That's like if I said, "How do I make a cake?" And you said, "Lots of sweet and delicious."

Fuck you. That's nothing.

Griffin: I feel like that could get most people there, though.

Justin: Yeah.

Travis: If I said make a cake, and they said, "What do I need to make it?" I'd say, "You just need some delicious in there." They'd be like, "I'm on it." [laughs]

Griffin: Now, Yahoo Answers user Hanging Bat responded, updated the question three days ago, that said, "Too hot to handle, lol."

Justin: Lol.

Griffin: And I don't know what that's res—no fucking idea what that's responding to. I'm guessing the Carolina Reaper one? Did they win?

Anyway, what was the recipe for you two boys?

Justin: Um...

Travis: For mine, it would be a can-do attitude, and "don't quit," and three eggs, and some blood.

Griffin: Mine would be... probably neutral-colored shorts...

Travis: Uh-huh. [laughs]

Griffin: Um... and then I think you could just kind of improvise the rest of

it.

Travis: Yeah.

Justin: Mm-hm.

Griffin: Like, the neutral colored shorts are so essential to my recipe...

Justin: Yeah.

Griffin: Like, if you—my recipe on AllRecipes would be, like, "neutral shorts

soup," and then in parentheses, "Griffin McElroy soup."

Travis: Yeah. Uh-huh.

Griffin: 'Cause that's what they call it in some regions.

Justin: Mine would be, uh, a mustard seed faith and a world-class hog.

Travis: Huh!

Justin: [snorts]

Travis: Now... Huh. Okay.

Justin: Move mountains.

Travis: I was just—okay.

Griffin: [through laughter] With which—with which?!

Travis: [bursts out laughing]

Justin: Exactly. Exactly.

Travis: [laughs] "I have faith in my hog."

Griffin: And Travis' was—Travis' was eggs and blood, and a can-do

attitude, 'cause he didn't wanna play.

Travis: Okay. Do you wanna hear mine?

Griffin: No. No, you did yours. You decided you didn't want to play, and

now you just sit-

Travis: No. I said mine before that it was blood and bones...

Griffin: No, you get to *sit*—you stay in the dugout, 'cause you didn't wanna play. And the coach put me and Justin, and we're out here swinging,

smashing homers.

Travis: Well, if you wanna make a Travis, then you need some T for tasty.

And you need some R for ravishing.

Griffin: The game's already over. You're still running around the bases.

[laughs]

Travis: And you need some A for ass.

Justin: [holding back laughter] Still running the bases.

Travis: And you need some V... for... virginity, now! And you need some I...

Griffin: [bursts out laughing]

Travis: ... for indecent.

Griffin: Long ago, somebody left with the cup.

Travis: Then you need some S for sex-ay!

Griffin: And he's still going around.

Travis: And then you need some M. [laughs] For—

Griffin: [bursts out laughing]

Travis: Uh, for mascarpone.

Justin: And mascarpone. Okay. So we're gonna take a quick break, and when we return to you here just after the music, we'll be talking about some beloved sponsors, so get there for that.

[theme music plays]

Travis: Squarespace. It's time, my friends. Time for the uprising.

Griffin: Oh, fuck.

Travis: You've been too—doing too much in the meat space, and it's time to do it in the Squarespace. You're gonna build a website. Not just any website; a beautiful website that stands out and changes the world. It's time to disrupt, it's time to showcase your work, sell products and services of all kinds, promote your physical or online business, and more.

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Griffin: You got me ready to, like, overthrow the fucking... economy and government.

Travis: Yeah. Yeah, dude, let's disrupt!

Griffin: Nothing—all the other stuff that has happened until now that has been so bad...

Travis: Yeah.

Griffin: ... that wasn't—this was the domino. This was the *V for Vendetta*. You knocked that shit right over.

Travis: That's right. Can you imagine if V in *V for Vendetta* was like, "Yes, we have to stop all of this—all of this horrible stuff, and also, look at the website I created! I got photos of all my travels, and some of the pages are password-protected."

Griffin: "And now—and now, Natalie Portman, check this out." Click. [sings 'The Hamster Dance' tune]

Travis and Justin: [laugh]

Griffin: Hey, Stitch Fix also—

Travis: "The government tried to shut down my Hamster Dance."

Griffin: [laughs] Uh...

Travis: "But they can't stop the signal."

Griffin: No. That's different.

Travis: Wait, isn't that from *Serenity*?

Griffin: No, that's different to—it's a different one.

Travis: "I love that movie."

Griffin: "Great flick." Uh, Stitch Fix...

Travis: [laughs]

Griffin: ... is here to give us boxes of clothes, so we don't go to clothes store. And we bring the clothes store to us, except it's not even like that, because you have a personal stylist who you give a little profile for, and they will figure out what clothes are gonna look really good.

All these boxes are personalized just for you, and your color, styles, and budget, and you get nice-looking clothes! And you pay a \$20 styling fee for each uh, Fix that is sent your way, which is credited towards anything you keep, and you can uh, schedule it for any time, you can change your schedule whenever you want. I—I have been getting them every month, but I don't leave the house anymore, so I've bumped it backed to once every two months, and it's no big deal! It was real fucking easy.

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[gentle, bouncy music plays in background]

Allie: Hi, I'm Allie Goertz.

Julia: And I'm Julia Prescott, and we host...

Both: Round Springfield!

Julia: Round Springfield is a new Simpsons podcast that is Simpsons-

adjacent.

Allie: Mm-hmm!

Julia: In its topic, we talk to *Simpsons* writers, directors, voiceover actors, you name it, about non-*Simpsons* things that they've done. Because, surprise, they're all extremely talented!

Allie: Absolutely. For example, David X. Cohen worked on the *Simpsons*, but then created a little show called *Futurama*.

Julia: Mm-hmm!

Allie: That's our very first episode.

Julia: Yeah!

Allie: So tune in for stuff like that with Yeardley Smith, with Tim Long, with different writers and voice actors. It's gonna be so much fun, and we are every other week on MaximumFun.org, or wherever you get your podcasts.

[music fades, advertisement ends]

Justin: [scats rock guitar]

Travis: Oh?

Justin: [continues scatting]

Travis: Yeah!

Justin: [scats guitar] [sings] I wanna munch!

Travis: Squad!

Griffin: Squad!

Justin: [scats guitar] [sings] I want to munch!

Travis: Squad!

Justin: [scats] [normally] Welcome to Munch Squad. It's a podcast within a podcast, profiling the latest and greatest in brand eating. I am so excited, because America has decided to pretend the coronavirus does not exist, and as a result, our fast food chains are beginning to awaken from their, uh, great slumber, for new creations, new ideas, fresh thinking. And who does fresh better than... [awkward pronunciation] Chipotle?

Travis: Oh, is that rhetorical, or is that a real question?

Griffin: No, I mean, there's—there's—I mean—if you would've said, like, uh... a Hardee's, I would've given you some shit. But I think Chipotle is, uh, middle of the pack.

Justin: You're thinking fresh, you're thinking Chipotle.

Griffin: They did the fucking Fiona Apple commercial.

Justin: Yeah. Well, this one is new, and Chipotle is launching the Tony Hawk burrito.

Travis: Huh!

Griffin: [bursts out laughing] Fresh as hell!

Justin: "Chipotle Mexican Grill on Monday—" This one's fucking fresh off the box...

Griffin: Ah, Jesus.

Justin: ... came out today. "Chipotle Mexican Grill Monday announced it's teaming up with skating legend and brand super fan Tony Hawk..."

Travis: Oh, boy.

Justin: "... to offer his go-to Chipotle order exclusively on the Chipotle app and Chipotle.com."

Travis: Wait, can I guess?

Justin: Guess what his go-to order is?

Travis: Yeah.

Justin: Sure, yeah.

Travis: It's just an empty burrito that he later puts a cold hot dog in. Is

that it?

Justin: [laughs] No, you're really close.

Griffin: Is it a—can I do a guess?

Justin: Yeah, do a fun guess.

Griffin: It's a big burrito it sticks four wheels on. That he ride—he rides it.

[laughs]

Justin: "Starting today, the first 2,000 fans—"

Travis: Wait, let Griffin finish. Let Griffin finish. What's he do, Griffin?

Griffin: He rides it, like a skateboard.

Travis: Okay.

Justin: "Starting today, the first 2,000 fans..."

Travis: And the wheels are tomatoes?

Griffin: No, they're wheels.

Travis: Oh.

Justin: I feel like I might be able to—if I act fast, I might be able to be among the first 2,000.

Griffin: [laughs]

Justin: And you guys are clearly doing your own thing.

Griffin: [bursts out laughing]

Justin: So I'm gonna just try—just try to get this, uh, burrito real quick.

"The Tony Hawk—the first 2,000 fans who order the Tony Hawk Burrito, made with brown rice, black beans, chicken, tomatillo-red chili salsa, uh, pink trucks from a skateboard, and guacamole..."

Griffin: [bursts out laughing]

Justin: "... will get access to the Tony Hawk Pro Skater 1 and 2 Warehouse Demo..."

Griffin: Oh, fuck.

Justin: "... for PlayStation 4, Xbox One, or PC." So...

Travis: What a weird coincidence, that this would—like, his brand superfan-ship would coincide with a new Tony Hawk, like, video game experience.

Justin: Yeah, it is very weird. The—yeah, you're absolutely right, Travis. This is one of the stranger occurrences we've seen in our time. Uh, those two have dovetailed magnificently together.

Um, Chipotle's—oh, so I already said that. "On August 14 at 11:00 AM PT, Anderson will direct a new motion picture start—" [laughs] No.

Travis: [laughs]

Justin: "At Pacific time. The launch will culminate in a two-hour live stream from Chipotle's Twitch page," that they have, "featuring Tony Hawk, fellow skateboard Jagger Eaton... [holding back laughter] Actor Finn Wolfhard..."

Griffin: Fuck yeah!

Travis: What?

Justin: [laughs] A sentient burrito. Mick Jagger.

Griffin: [bursts out laughing]

Justin: Jesus Christ of Nazareth.

Travis: All eating burritos, slowly.

Justin: Still living uh, Elvis Presley. Now dead, Elvis Costello. That's right, he'll be dead by August 14th, folks.

Griffin: Justin...

Justin: No, it's just those first three. Um, they're gonna be playing Tony Hawk Pro Skater 1 and 2 Warehouse Demo, and they're gonna be giving out up to 5,000 free burritos to viewers throughout the stream.

Now, it says they're gonna give out up to 5,000 free burritos. I do like the reality where they're like, "We've given away 4,000 of these boys. The next thousand are coming home with us."

"Hi, it's me, Finn Wolfhard."

"Oh, no, not again."

Griffin: [laughs]

Justin: "Yeah, anyway, I want 30 burritos..."

Griffin: [laughs, stomping]

Justin: "...delivered to my home. And the cost of that would be—"

"Uh, let me stop you right there. It's zero."

Griffin: [laughs loudly]

Justin: "This first of its kind menu integration gives our fans a chance to eat like the greatest skater of all time..." [laughs] "... and get access to the demo for one of the summer's most anticipated video game releases," says Chris Brandt, chief marketing officer. "Real athletes need real food, and Chipotle is excited to continue being a part of Tony's training routine, whether it's competing at the skatepark or in a video game."

Travis: Hey, this isn't the first time somebody has sold a food item because a celebrity liked it at their store, right? Like, that's—people have been doing that...

Justin: Right.

Travis: ... for, let me check, all of the time of restaurants.

Justin: Yeah. But it's—

Griffin: Right.

Justin: This one's Tony Hawk.

Travis: Oh!

Justin: And it's a burrito. Um, I just wanna step in here very briefly. I know that Tony Hawk... body... Tony Hawk's body...

Griffin: [laughs]

Justin: The body of Anthony Frank Hawk.

Travis: Yeah.

Griffin: [laughing loudly, clapping]

Justin: The Bird Man's body and my body, have several chemical... and

physical differences. We can all agree on this, right?

Travis: Yes, yes.

Justin: This is granted, this is settled law.

Griffin: Yeah.

Justin: The man is 52 years old.

Griffin: [laughs] Yeah.

Justin: And if I were to make a list of things he felt like doing after

pounding a burrito...

Travis: [laughs]

Griffin: [laughing hoarsely]

Justin: I can almost guarantee you, skateboarding would be extremely low

on the list.

"Tony Hawk has been a Chipotle celebrity card holder," whatever the fuck that mea—

Travis: What?

Justin: It's "an exclusive membership tier afforded to famous friends of the brand that grants recipients free meals and catering, since 2013."

Griffin: Holy shit.

Travis: What?

Justin: Did you guys hear this?

Travis: Wha—what?

Griffin: Yeah, I'm hearing it now, baby.

Justin: Are you hearing this? Are you feeling it?

Griffin: I'm hearing it now, baby.

Justin: "Tony Hawk has been a Chipotle celebrity card holder, an exclusive membership tier afforded to famous friends of the brand that grant recipients free meals and catering since 2013."

Travis: Hey, Chipotle? I was just kidding. I love you. Chipotle?

Griffin: I love Chipotle.

Justin: Yeah, I take it all fucking back.

Griffin: It's good.

Travis: I was just joking. You're—you're great! And I've always—hey, I've always been a fan. And Justin and Griffin have never loved you like I love you.

Justin: "Chipotle burritos are a favorite way to refuel after long skate sessions," adds me.

Griffin: [sputters]

Justin: No, it's Tony Hawk. [laughs quietly] "It's a blast to see the enthusiasm for Chipotle, skating, and video games continue to grow and inspire a new generation," of, presumably, burrito-eaters.

Griffin: [laughs] Mm-hmm.

Justin: "Whether you're a veteran THPS player or new to the game, Tony Hawk's Pro Skater 1 and 2 TM has something for everyone."

Griffin: And also... the burritos still!

Travis: [laughs]

Justin: "Still the burritos."

"Chipotle has amassed around 27,000 followers on Twitch. Finales for the Chipotle Challenger Series, the brand's marquee e-sports tournament that allows amateur gamers to compete against gaming starts and celebrities, have been livestreamed on Chipotle's Twitch, along with exclusive musical performances."

"[impersonation] Hey, it's me, Mick Jagger. What an honor it is. [laughs] What an honor it is to be playing on the Chipotle Twitch channel. Start me up!"

[normally] "The first 2,000 account holders to order the Tony Hawk Burrito on the Chipotle mobile app or at order.chipotle.com will receive a code to the email associated with the account, allowing the recipient to access a demo version of the relaunch of Tony Hawk's Pro Skater TM 1 TM and 2 TM video game, ESRB rated T for Teen."

Griffin: Cool. I think they do a cuss in Superman by Goldfinger, so... that's why it's not E for Everyone.

Justin: I uh—I—here's the problem. I wanna order this to get the code.

Griffin: I wanna play the game.

Justin: I don't wanna go pick up a burrito.

Griffin: Yeah.

Travis: Mm-hmm.

Justin: I'm recording a podcast, and I really don't want my wife to answer

the door, and a man in a mask says, "Here's Tony Hawk's Burrito."

Griffin: Yeah.

Justin: [laughs] That's gonna be hard for her to parse.

Griffin: Unless it is the... the Bird Man himself.

Travis: Or *a* bird man.

Griffin: [laughs] "Scree! Enjoy your remastered skateboarding game!

Bree!"

Justin: My wife is a big fan of Michael Keaton...

Travis: Yeah?

Justin: ... so she might enjoy that, actually.

Griffin: Uh...

Justin: Just a joke.

Griffin: No, the movie had him in it.

Justin: Yeah, it's just a fun... it's just a fun—

Travis: It's just a fun goof that Justin was doing.

Justin: It was just a goof.

"I recently decided to shed my hoarder lifestyle and embrace a more minimalistic approach." It's been a lot so far. I threw away all my hats.

Griffin: [laughs]

Justin: "One problem, though. What do I do with the yearbooks? I have one for each year, K through 12, and I never look at them. Donating seems weird, since it's such a weirdly personal item. My name is usually penned with the inside cover messages from classmates, et cetera, but it also seems wrong to just throw them away. Am I doomed to carry them forever?" That's from Yearbook Eater.

Griffin: I mean, you could keep them in your basement in Chicago, and then a fateful flood will take care of it for you.

Travis: [laughs]

Griffin: That fateful flood, boy—I was traveling around with uh, a huge cardboard box full of keepsakes, and then I had two paper Trader Joe's bags full of things like, uh, yearbooks and the like, and that great flood—ooh, the great—the great flood of 2010 done took care of most of them for me, so uh...

And it was rough for a while. I still get sad to think about the things that I lost in there. But whenever I move, wicked easy. Wicked fast.

Travis: That is—so, I think that the yearbooks fall under the category of like, things that you keep because you convince yourself that someday, someone else will want to know that thing about you? That like, you know, I think about this now with two kids, that hypothetically someday my kids will be in, like, high school, and they're like, "I wanna see Daddy in high school."

But let's be honest, that's not gonna happen. I'm gonna keep them long enough to show them to them, and then they're gonna be like...

Griffin: Right.

Travis: "Okay, I don't care. We're all flying around in like, jet packs and hover dogs now and shit. Like, what do I give two shits about the fact that you were in some club in high school?"

Griffin: Yeah.

Travis: And so now, it's just like, well, now I've lugged this around, like, forever—hey, what if we—and I'm just gonna throw this out. I'm gonna disrupt the whole yearbook industry.

Griffin: Careful, Travis. Are you thinking about—

Travis: Digital yearbooks!

Griffin and Justin: Whoa!

Travis: That's it.

Griffin: Okay.

Justin: Wow.

Griffin: Yeah, I imagine they're already doing that.

Travis: Oh.

Justin: Probably seems like it's happening already, I would guess.

Travis: But if it's not, TM, TM, TM.

Griffin: Justin's got that cloud tech. That's on the next level.

Justin: I actually don't have any cloud tech, I'm sorry.

Travis: No, no, no, Justin. *Justins*.

Griffin: [laughing quietly]

Justin: Yeah, I heard you first time.

Travis: No, no, not Justin—

Griffin: It's Jastin and Trovis. And Groffin.

Travis: [laughs]

Justin: My Brather, My Brather and Ma!

Griffin: Uh, I can't—

Travis: Oh, hi, Jaston.

Griffin: Here's—here—[sighs] Flood notwithstanding, I—I, a couple times, had to pare down my, like, collection of keepsakes, because I feel like there is a—I feel like, actually, the yearbook is one of the best sort of nostalgia per square inch that you can possibly, like, keep around, right? Like, if you're gonna toss all your other keepsakes or whatever, I feel like the yearbook is literally... a bunch of literal, paper-thin li'l nostalgia drops.

Travis: Mm.

Griffin: And I kinda—the few that survived that fateful flood, I have, like, enjoyed looking back on, like, every two years or so.

Travis: Could you... go through... and just remove the pages that have nothing to do with you?

Griffin: That's great.

Justin: I love that.

Travis: And then combine all of them, all your yearbooks, into one long, like, schoolbook...

Griffin: Yeah.

Travis: ... that includes all the years, but only the ones that pertain to you.

Justin: Streamline it.

Travis: Yeah, like, if you're—if you're in 12th grade, do you care about the kids who were in 9th grade? No. No! You don't know them. Cut them out!

Griffin: You can go through all your photos and photo albums, too, and just tear apart the ones that you're not, like, really a featured player in.

Travis: Yeah!

Griffin: And then go through all the books you own.

Travis: Yeah!

Griffin: And if the author wasn't nice enough to include you in that book, gone-zos! Why would I read a book I'm not in?

Travis: I'm just saying that maybe the other yearbook, you touch each kid's face, and you think, "Does this face spark joy in me?"

Griffin: [laughs] Right.

Travis: And if not, you burn it out with a cigarette. In one—

Griffin: [laughs] One by one! It's totally normal!

Travis: Just a totally cool thing to do that everyone does! And you mark your name off a big list...

Griffin: You don't—you don't burn each photo twice over the eyes. That would be fucking wild!

Travis: One away!

Griffin: Just one cigarette burn in the middle of the face! And then you move on!

Travis: Yeah! Now, you will wanna check and make sure the kid [laughs] behind that kid, on the other page, you also don't like. That is the one thing.

Justin: Can I change the subject briefly?

Griffin: Okay.

Travis: Yeah.

Justin: This is the shit that drives me crazy. Is these brands put out these

deals...

Griffin: [snorts]

Justin: ...and then they're like, if you—if you actually try to do it, you can't. It's like, they don't ever expect you to actually do the dumb thing they said to do, right? So I go to order.chipotle.com, or whatever the fuck, and I'm like, "Let me get that Tony Hawk burrito."

Griffin: Right.

Justin: And it is not listed *anywhere* on the page. I know the ingredients of it; I'm wondering if it's like, a code?

Griffin: Oh!

Justin: Where I have to put in the right ingredients... you know what I mean? And then it'll just...

Travis: Didn't you say that they announced it today, but the press release said August 14th?

Justin: No, that's when it culminates with Finn Wolfhard playing Tony Hawk against Tony Hawk.

Griffin: [laughs]

Travis: Oh, right, right, right.

Justin: To the death.

Griffin: [laughs] Uh, I'm s—

Justin: I'm gonna try—I'm gonna tr—if you guys are okay with this, we don't normally do this, but I'm gonna try to call... my local Chipotle.

Travis: Okay, but don't put them on speaker.

Justin: I'm not gonna put them on speakerphone. I'm just gonna call my local Chipotle.

Griffin: Okay!

Justin: And you guys will just hear my part of it.

Travis: Okay.

Justin: So I'm not—you won't hear them.

Griffin: Justin's really good on the phone. I wish I was as good as Justin on

the phone.

Justin: Please don't psych me out.

Travis: Okay.

Griffin: [softly] This is a strong and confident boy.

Justin: [softly] There's just—there's a voicemail message.

Travis: "If you're calling about the Tony Hawk burrito, press nine."

Griffin: [laughs]

Justin: The—they're talking about the dietary precautions they've taken...

Travis: That's good. I like that.

Justin: ... for people who just can't help but eat inside Chipotle. Yes.

Griffin: [softly] "Do you like Extreme Burrito Experience?"

Travis: Yes!

Griffin: "Are you friends..."

Travis: "Do you have, like fresh—mostly fresh ingredients?"

Griffin: "Were you fuckin' in *Stranger Thing*?"

Travis: [laughs] "Do you think you could totally "pwn" Tony Hawk at his own game?"

Griffin: [laughs quietly]

Justin: Hey, um, Tony Hawk is doing a Chipotle promotion where if you order a special Tony Hawk Burrito, you get a demo of the game, and they said you have to do it online, have to be the first 2,000 people, so I feel like the clock's kinda ticking on me, and I can't find a way to order the Tony Hawk Burrito. Do you know anything about it, or do I sound like a absolute lunatic to you right now?

Yes, it's Justin. Hey, how's it going?

Griffin: [distant, quiet laughter]

Justin: That—it's—I'm pretty good. This—hold on. Can I—okay. Can I—I'm recording our episode of *My Brother, My Brother and Me* right now. Can I put you on speaker real quick? Okay, great, hold on one second.

Okay, what was your name again, please?

Hayley: It's Hayley.

Justin: Hayley, um, have you—so you—have you heard about this Tony Hawk Burrito?

Hayley: No, I haven't.

Justin: Okay. This is a—I'm not making this up, and you knew me from sound, so I'm imagining you know I'm not making it up too.

Hayley: No, nah. Not at all.

Justin: No, this—yeah, this is a thing that's happening, but they have not—corporate has not communicated to you that this is a thing that is going on, correct?

Hayley: No.

Justin: Okay, so don't you think it's kind of shitty to be like—no, I'm not gonna ask you to say something Chipotle is doing is shitty, 'cause like, that's your employer, and I don't wanna mess up your whole situation. But um—

Hayley: Shitty.

Justin: What?

Hayley: No, it's just really shitty. [laughs]

Justin: You don't have—Hayley, [holding back laughter] you don't have to take fucking swings at Chipotle...

Griffin: [bursts out laughing]

Justin: [through laughter] ...for—for our benefit.

Hayley: [laughs] It's awful.

Justin: It's—okay, Hayley, stop. [laughs] Stop it, you're gonna get yourself in trouble. I'm not sa—look, I'm just saying that I just think it kinda stinks

that Chipotle is doing this, and I would like to—if you hear—so you definitely have not heard anything about a Tony Hawk Burrito, is that correct?

Hayley: Yeah.

Justin: Okay. Well, um, Chipotle—Chipotle Hayley, thank you so much. This is my brothers, Travis and Griffin. They're on the line too, I don't know if you can hear them.

Travis: Hi!

Griffin: Hi! Sorry he just called you Chipotle Hayley.

Justin: Well, I mean, she's a Ha—Hayley, I'm sorry if I get you in trouble with Chipotle. Um, we can offer you a position at the McElroy franchise if something like that happens, or maybe we can try to buy that Chipotle.

Oh, oh! Hayley, do you know anything about the VIP membership that you can get at Chipotle if you're a celebrity? Tony Hawk has it, and I was just wondering if you had a... form somewhere?

Hayley: I don't have it, but I can ask for you.

Justin: Okay. That's okay. I don't want you—to take any more of your valuable time. Thank you so much, Hayley. Okay, I appreciate it. Have a great time.

Hayley: Alright, have one. Bye.

Justin: Bye.

Travis: Okay, clearly Hayley wasn't telling us everything.

Griffin: No, I mean, yeah.

Justin: Yeah, Hayley is definitely holding out. We're all agreeing on this, right?

Travis: Yeah, I'm sorry Hayley.

Justin: This is settled law.

Travis: I hate to put you on blast, but clearly Hayley knows more than

they're telling us.

Griffin: I think Hayley was busy either creating or eating or selling one of the last few Tony Hawk Burritos, and she also, like, definitely, definitely has gotten people into the VIP freebie club.

Travis: Yeah, for—for sure.

Griffin: For sure.

Justin: Yeah, for sure. For sure, for sure, for sure, for sure.

Griffin: But boy, we really can't do that anymore, huh?

Travis: No.

Griffin: Especially you, Justin, I feel like you cannot call local places

anymore.

Justin: Oh, it's this guy.

Travis: Yeah.

Justin: [laughs]

Griffin: It's this fucking—it's this fucking guy.

Justin: [laughs] Just fucking—

Griffin: The fucking, uh, a cappella guy warned me about you. You like to

call fucking...

Justin: [laughs]

Griffin: ... people on your podcast... Okay. Well, Hayley was cool, at least.

Travis: I feel like I could do it. My voice is just so bland and ordinary, it's hard to even pick it out, you know what I mean?

Griffin: Justin, are you doing okay? 'Cause when she recognized who you were, I felt – from, you know, however many thousand miles away from each other we are – like, I felt your... gonads go up, in your body?

Travis: [laughs]

Justin: Yeah. Yeah, yeah, yeah.

Travis: Yeah, yeah, yeah, yeah.

Griffin: As a sort of fight-or-flight response.

Justin: It was not good. It didn't feel good. I felt like I was caught. [laughs]

Griffin: Yeah, yeah.

Justin: Doing something wrong. And I wasn't actually—

Griffin: And you were—you were. You were doing it—

Justin: No, I just—I just wanted to know if they heard about the Tony Hawk Burrito!

Griffin: Yeah. For sure. For sure, for sure.

Justin: For sure, for sure, for sure.

Travis: For sure.

Griffin: I forget what we were talking about, but I can't talk about anything else. I need to go lie down.

Justin: Yeah, this is quite a thing. Um, thank you so much to everybody for listening to our podcast. We love you very much. Thank you to Hayley, we'll be checking in with you... [laughs] periodically to make sure—oh, and by the way, Chipotle, obviously if anything happens to Hayley as a result of her participation in this, we are coming for you, and you will not enjoy it.

Griffin: Oh, holy shit.

Justin: This is not an idle threat.

Travis: We have a certain set of skills!

Justin: Ask anybody. We have a certain set of skills. Hey, you know what?

I can actually, in this, [through laughter] in this exact situation—

Griffin: [laughs]

Justin: [through laughter] In this exact situation, I can say with a straight

face that I do have a particular set of skills...

Travis: Yes.

Griffin: [bursts out laughing]

Justin: ... that would make me a nightmare for people like you.

Travis: If there's one thing the McElroy brothers are known for, it's

weaponizing our audience to annoy big [laughs] corporations...

Justin: [laughs]

Travis: ... into letting us do stuff.

Griffin: Right.

Travis: So...

Griffin: We've only used that power to create, before. I'm kind of curious what it would feel like to *destroy*.

Travis: "Big news today. Chipotle was destroyed [laughs] from the inside out by three weirdos."

Justin: Uh, alright. [laughs] Um, thanks again, by the way, for supporting us in the MaxFunDrive. It really is very kind of you, and we couldn't do this without you all, and we—it's just very touching every year. Honestly, I keep waiting for the year when it's zero, and everybody wises up...

Travis: Yeah.

Justin: ... but thank God it wasn't this year.

Travis: There—there will come a point, right? Just—law of averages, there will come a point when people are like, "I think we've given enough."

Griffin: "I think we've done enough."

Travis: "Yeah, that's it. Yeah."

Justin: "They're doing well here."

Griffin: Um, thank you to John Roderick and The Long Winters for the use of our theme song, "(It's a) Departure," off the album Putting the Days to Bed. Been going long and strong with that jam, and keeping that wax spinnin' all summer long.

Justin: Uh, Griffin, do you have a final Yahoo for us?

Griffin: I do, I do. Thank you to Maximum Fun, by the way, for having us on the network.

Justin: Yeah. Obviously.

Griffin: Um, a few people sent this in. Thank you. It's an anonymous Yahoo Answers user who I'm going to call Kelly, asks, in all caps, with many

exclamation points and question marks, "Does kissing your cat count as a first kiss?!"

Travis: Oh, no!

Griffin: It was an accident. It was an accident.

Justin: My name is Justin McElroy.

Griffin: It was an accidental kiss. That's what the details say.

Travis: Oh, okay.

Griffin: I'm not gonna read the—

Justin: My name is Justin McElroy!

Travis: I'm Travis McElroy.

Griffin: I'm Griffin McElroy.

Justin: This has been My Brother, My Brother and Me. Kiss your dad square

on the lips.

[theme music plays and ends]

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