

## MBMBaM Ep 006: Time Travel President

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**Justin:**

Welcome. You've, you've done it again. You've returned to us, to our loving, caring embrace. This is, uh, of course, My Brother, My Brother and Me. It's an advice show for the modern era, um, and we take your questions and we turn them into wisdom (laughing). It's like, it's like alchemy. Um-

**Griffin:**

Don't ask us how we do it.

**Justin:**

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**Travis:**

It's a lot of formulas.

**Griffin:**

Wizards, wizards are involved.

**Justin:**

Patent pending. Shawna writes in from Gmail. Shawna says, "I want to get an octopus tattoo really, really bad. I have for a while. Where is the sexiest place I could get an octopus tattoo on my body? Thanks, guys. XOXO.

**Griffin:**

Mm.

**Justin:**

Shawna."

**Travis:**

I think that's hugs and kisses.

**Justin:**

Oh, okay. Got it.

**Griffin:**

Thank you. Thank you. Thank you, Shawna.

**Justin:**

Shawna. Octopus tattoo.

**Griffin:**

Thank you for that.

**Travis:**

I've been thinking about this since I saw the question. Is there a sexy place to get a tattoo?

**Griffin:**

An octopus tattoo, yes. Um, if you get it on your throbbing, glistening ink sack.

**Travis:**

(laughs)

**Griffin:**

If you have an ink sack. If you have an ink sack, get it right on there. Or maybe upon one of your tendrils. Um, other than that-

**Justin:**

Your cloaca.

**Griffin:**

I actually know somebody who has an octopus tattoo and she has it on her ribs, it's very tasteful. I would say sexy.

**Travis:**

Really?

**Justin:**

Okay, ribs?

**Griffin:**

Ribs. Like, right on the ribs.

**Justin:**

Um, Adam from, uh, Gmail writes in. "My girlfriend sleeps a lot. She even fell asleep last night during Iron Man 2 when he was smashing atoms." I haven't seen Iron Man 2, does that happen?

**Travis:**

Yes.

**Justin:**

Should she see doctor? [crosstalk 00:02:09] Shouldn't she see a... No. She should get down naps.

**Travis:**

Yeah.

**Griffin:**

I would say naps are a good course of action. I- I wouldn't blame her for falling asleep during some parts of Iron Man 2. Namely, the parts where Iron Man wasn't Iron Man-ing.

**Justin:**

(laughs) Just Iron Man-ing around with his Scarlett gold.

**Griffin:**

Right.

**Travis:**

To be fair, one of us in this podcast fell asleep during Jurassic Park. Um, so it's easy to fall asleep in a... I fell asleep during Lord of the Rings. It's- It's possible to fall asleep in a movie and I do not judge her at all.

**Griffin:**

But that movie was, that movie was five hours long. If you saw it in theaters, odds were that it was going to run past your bedtime.

**Travis:**

That is true.

**Griffin:**

Does that make sense? Like, if you see it after 4 PM, then you're, you're bound to just hit the hay in the midst.

**Travis:**

That makes sense.

**Griffin:**

But I understand. That's a bummer when your significant other is just, like, just sleeps like a, like a koala bear.

**Justin:**

(laughs)

**Griffin:**

Cause you wanna hang out with her. But [crosstalk 00:03:09]

**Travis:**

She takes those short, sweet koala naps.

**Griffin:**

And you have to find clever ways of waking her up without her getting mad at you. Like, it's setting off the smoke alarm.

**Justin:**

And doing the laundry too loud.

**Griffin:**

Doing the laundry too loud or just singing, uh, uh...

**Justin:**

(singing).

**Griffin:**

What's that song? [crosstalk 00:03:26]

**Travis:**

I think it's called Motoring.

**Justin:**

It's called Sister Christian, guys. Come on.

**Griffin:**

Get in the shower and just sing Motorhead and-

**Justin:**

(singing)

**Griffin:**

Um, Yahoo Answers user Julie A. asks, "Where can I find a free dog?"

**Justin:**

(laughs)

**Travis:**

Everywhere.

**Griffin:**

Everywhere. Everywhere. [crosstalk 00:03:50] Wild dogs are all over the place. Um...

**Justin:**

Every dog is free if you're quick enough.

**Travis:**

(laughs)

**Griffin:**

There's, there's no additional information but I don't think she's looking for, like, a pound puppy. I don't think she's interested in, like, the immunization fees and stuff. I just think she wants a dog on the free. She wants a complimentary puppy. Which is great because she sounds like she's gonna be a really responsible owner.

**Travis:**

Yeah.

**Justin:**

Have you tried some of the finest hotels? Because often, often they'll have a, they'll have a complimentary puppy. An interim puppy that you can keep for a surcharge.

**Travis:**

No, yeah, I heard that if you take the puppy with you, that it's billed out straight to your bill.

**Griffin:**

Mm-hmm (affirmative).

**Travis:**

Right off the credit card. That's why you have to give a credit card these days.

**Griffin:**

Yeah. That's true. But only Visa. Mastercard doesn't have the, the puppy offer.

**Travis:**

That's what I heard.

**Griffin:**

Jake from Kentucky emailed us, he asks, or does he ask? He does. "Hi, guys. So I have a problem I was hoping you could help me with. I really like this girl a lot. But sadly, she's crazy about my best friend. He doesn't like her back. He likes her best friend. So I really wanna ask this girl out but I know she doesn't like me, she likes my best friend. So should I ask her out now or wait it out and hope she gets over my friend. Thanks for the help. Jake from Kentucky." Did that make sense to you at all?

**Justin:**

I have a suggestion, Jake. Why don't you move the... Why don't you get the transfer the fuck out of Sweet Valley High.

**Griffin:**

(laughs)

**Travis:**

I was trying to make that Sweet Valley High joke.

**Justin:**

Were you? You just couldn't taste it?

**Travis:**

I just couldn't come up with the wording.

**Griffin:**

It... I mean, if, if she's all that and, and any number of Freddie Prinze Jr. Movies have taught me anything, you have to start fake dating her best friend. So that she gets jealous as does your best friend. And then, either everything will come out in the wash or you will fall in love with her best friend.

**Justin:**

Griffin, can you-

**Griffin:**

[inaudible 00:05:44] even happier.

**Travis:**

I think that's how it happens. The best friend falling in love and also Melissa Joan Hart is there.

**Justin:**

Can you walk... can someone walk me through this timeline again? I'm still, I don't feel I am grocking.

**Griffin:**

Okay, this is up. Imagine four, four people, okay? Imagine a square. Only the square, it's not a straight, like, square. It's crisscrossed in the middle. Does that make sense?

**Justin:**

Okay.

**Griffin:**

So he's in love with her but she loves him even though he's in love with her and she-

**Justin:**

Oh. This is, this is from J. Geils Band.

**Griffin:**

Yes.

**Justin:**

Yes. This is that classic song Love Stinks.

**Griffin:**

Yes. So-

**Justin:**

Um...

**Griffin:**

Make the best friend, make her lose her glasses, maybe get a haircut and like a sexy, like a, a now cut, a hip cut.

**Justin:**

Okay.

**Griffin:**

And then, uh-

**Travis:**

Jake, let me boil your question down for you. What you're asking is should I ask out a girl that doesn't like me?

**Justin:**

(laughs)

**Griffin:**

No.

**Travis:**

The answer to that is always no.

**Justin:**

I'm just gonna go ahead and say no.

**Travis:**

Find someone else, Jake.

**Justin:**

Just go with the robot.

**Justin:**

Go with the robot. Or you know what? Go gay until everyone's so confused and like, get really into your best friend and then once everyone's sufficiently confused, just pull the old switcheroo.

**Griffin:**

[crosstalk 00:06:54]

**Travis:**

Invite a couple more players into this little-

**Justin:**

Yeah, yeah.

**Travis:**

... into this little dance.

**Jstuin:**

[inaudible 00:06:58] more confusing.

**Justin:**

Morgan Jacobson writes from Gmail-

**Travis:**

Friend of the show.

**Justin:**

Friend of the show, Morgan Jacobson. It says, "I'm a 17 old guy who really likes this girl." Good start. She agreed to go out on a date with me but I don't think she is all that interested in me. What is a good way to make a really good impression on our first date?" Oh, Morgan, a fine question.

**Griffin:**

I don't know that it's, that she's not interested. I think you might just be a little too shy. You haven't, you haven't let your freak flag fry, fry, fly.

**Justin:**

Just like Griffin said.

**Griffin:**

Just like I said. Maybe not your freak flag but you know what I'm saying. I, I think it's that she doesn't know you, you know? I think you just gotta be a proper gentleman. I think that's, you gotta, that's the best ways to make a good impression. [crosstalk 00:07:39]



**Travis:**

If, if I have learned anything from my wonderful brother Justin McElroy and wonderful sister-in-law, it is to ask her questions, be interested in her, don't talk about yourself, be interested in what she has to say.

**Griffin:**

Yes.

**Travis:**

Took me a long time to learn that cause I love me. Um, but she wants to talk about herself as much as you want to talk about yourself. So ask her questions about her.

**Justin:**

This is a great, great point. Um, also, I think you gotta go naked day one.

**Travis:**

(laughs)

**Griffin:**

That's how you get her interested. She... You get her interested in you by being interesting.

**Justin:**

You sprang the trap!

**Griffin:**

Take her out to a nice dinner, okay? And you sit down at Applebee's, okay? And you're sitting down and you order your drinks and then you take a Bowie knife out of, uh, a sheath that you have attached to your belt that you would have hidden underneath your polo and you just pull it out and sit it down on the table and don't address it.

**Justin:**

(laughs)

**Griffin:**

Right? That's kinda mysterious.

**Justin:**

I love it.

**Griffin:**

Or halfway through the date, like, you're at a movie and she's sitting on your right, you put an eye patch on your left eye very discreetly and just make sure she doesn't notice. Do you see what I'm going for?

**Justin:**

No.

**Griffin:**

Do you see what I'm working up to?

**Travis:**

You could stage some kind of epic fight with like a dragon or something. I think that works.

**Griffin:**

Well, dragons aren't real but you could pay a person to pretend to mug you and then you fight them back.

**Justin:**

Oh, I like that. That's got a little something to it.

**Griffin:**

Do it all kinds... You gotta get creative.

**Justin:**

So, Morgan, our real advice is hidden somewhere in there. Have a great afternoon.

**Griffin:**

(laughs) Also, to take her to Cold Stone.

**Justin:**

Yeah, girls love Cold Stone.

**Griffin:**

Yeah.

**Travis:**

They put the shit in the shit. [crosstalk 00:09:19]

**Griffin:**

... the shit with the shits.

**Justin:**

Don't even worry about it.

**Griffin:**

Shovels.

**Justin:**

Awesome. "What is the best time to email you guys to ensure my life questions are answered?" Says William at Gmail.z I don't compile questions. What do you guys think? What's the best time?

**Travis:**

Um, the best time is anytime before Wednesday morning if you want them on the next week's show. But really, any time is good 'cause I have no life and I am constantly checking the email and the Twitter and the [inaudible 00:09:49].

**Griffin:**

Don't make it adhere to our schedule. I think if you have an important life question, you just gotta fire it off as, as soon as it's on your mind lest you forget it.

**Justin:**

And if it's urgent and you need to us to answer right then, say that in the subject line. Say it's urgent. We'll, we'll get you an answer.

**Travis:**

Mm-hmm (affirmative).

**Justin:**

And then we'll talk about it on the show.

**Travis:**

And I'm glad you brought this up, William. May I call you William? We have been getting so many great questions on Formspring and Gmail and we really appreciate it and it's great, um, but the most rapid response questions you're gonna get is Twitter. Um, if you want that, you know, @MBMBaM or #MBMBaM is the best way to go for a question right now. Um, especially because we're looking for more Twitter questions so if you got something you really want answered, hit it up, son.

**Griffin:**

We've got tweeter fever. Um, which is a catchphrase I'm trying to get started and perhaps get a parody song written about, um, so just tweet, t-tweet right at us and we'll tweet it back ASAP.

**Justin:**

Totally.

**Griffin:**

Uh, Yahoo Answers user Jayasks, "Can I give my pit bull Gatorade?"

**Travis:**

(laughing)

**Justin:**

(laughing)

**Travis:**

Well, it's got the electrolytes that pit bulls crave.

**Griffin:**

(laughs) Uh, sub, sub question. "Can my pit bull drink Gatorade?"

**Justin:**

Ooh.

**Griffin:**

So this two, this technically two different questions. Can you give your pit bull Gatorade? Yes?

**Travis:**

Only Mountain Frost.

**Griffin:**

Can my pit bull drink Gatorade? Gatorade has a certain drinkability to it.

**Justin:**

Smooth drinkability.

**Griffin:**

So I don't see why not. Um, I'm not sure you should give it nor should your pit bull drink it though. [crosstalk 00:11:27]

**Travis:**

... Gatorade's expensive.

**Justin:**

(laughs) Why don't you just give it Gatorade water, Richie Rich?

**Travis:**

Here's the thing. Dogs don't sweat, so they don't have to replenish the electrolytes and salt like we do. Um, that's why dogs walk around with their tongues hanging out because they're getting their excess heat and moisture out that way. Um, so no because that's dumb. You're an idiot. Uh, don't give your dog Gatorade.

**Griffin:**

Also-

**Travis:**

It turns their tongues red.

**Griffin:**

... Gatorade, it's not called Gatorade anymore. Obviously, this guy didn't get the mem.

**Justin:**

Uh-oh. What is it called?

**Griffin:**

It's just called G now.

**Justin:**

It's just G?

**Griffin:**

Yeah, it's just G.

**Travis:**

What?

**Griffin:**

You haven't seen that?

**Travis:**

No.

**Griffin:**

It's just called G now. Now it's just called G. G is the name of their product.

**Travis:**

Yeah, to be fair-

**Griffin:**

They took, they took the whole atorade part and they, they completely subtracted it from the equation. Now it's just plain old G.

**Travis:**

I hope that they do that with other drinks. Cause I would drink Pepsi if it was called P. Just give me a big bottle of P.

**Justin:**

Well...

**Griffin:**

I'm not touching that one.

**Justin:**

Well, I'm not so sure about this, this, this one. (laughs) Travis.

**Travis:**

Speaking of.

**Justin:**

You rascal. So, uh, magic incest... (laughs) Let's just talk about that for [crosstalk 00:12:41] Magic incest, yeah, moving on, that's the username here via Gmail. It's a great question. I think it's one might be divisive, has a potential to be divisive. Peeing in the shower, yay or nay? Honesty time.

**Griffin:**

Don't say, don't say anything. I think we all just need to... We'll just go one, two, three and then go. So one, two, three and then you vote.

**Justin:**

Okay.

**Travis:**

Okay.

**Travis:**

All right.

**Griffin:**

Yeah? One.

**Travis:**

Two.

**Griffin:**

Two.

**Travis:**

Three.

**Griffin:**

Three.

**Justin:**

Yes.

**Justin:**

Nay.

**Griffin:**

Nay. No. Yeah.

**Travis:**

(laughs) [inaudible 00:13:19] you're a traitor.

**Griffin:**

So Travis said no and Justin?

**Justin:**

Hey. [crosstalk 00:13:23] Like, it's the most natural thing in the world.

**Travis:**

I wanna throw a, a, a, an addendum in there. The way our bathroom's set up, I can just open the curtain and the toilet's right there.

**Griffin:**

Yeah, that's pretty dope.

**Travis:**

So I will do that from time to time cause the convenience factor is the same.

**Griffin:**

You will? That explains why our magazines are always soiled. You're awful. You're the worst room.

**Travis:**

I'm sorry. I've ruined our Reader's Digests.

**Griffin:**

Um, so Justin, you're down with it?

**Justin:**

Why not?

**Travis:**

Cause it's gross.

**Justin:**

It's not gross.

**Griffin:**

It's basically like you're peeing on your feet.

**Justin:**

You're not peeing on your feet. Okay, I'm not saying, like, just start spinning around and urinating wildly on every vertical surface in your shower. I'm saying fuck it, aim for the drain and pee. Pee in it. You guys are lying to yourselves.

**Travis:**

I think that that's a good-

**Justin:**

You're lying to yourselves-

**Travis:**

That's a good motivational poster.

**Justin:**

You're lying to yourselves because the two of you are living in sin and you are embarrassed to admit to each other that you might've stepped in one another's urine from time to time. That's all I'm saying. You're lying to yourself.

**Travis:**

All I wanna do, I wanna see a poster where, um, a dad puts his hand on his son's shoulder and just says, "Son, aim for the drain."

**Griffin:**

We're not stepping in each... We don't take showers together. (laughs) That's not our style. We're not down with magic incest. We, we take separate showers like grown adults that are related to each other.

**Travis:**

Grown ass men.

**Griffin:**

Grown ass men. I'm gonna say yay. I'll, I'll break the tie.

**Justin:**

Thank you. Thank you.

**Griffin:**

I mean, there's a drain right there. It's practically a toilet you stand up in to get clean.

**Justin:**

The shower is a toilet you stand up in to get clean. Exactly.

**Travis:**



No matter what, no peeing in the sink.

**Griffin:**

Don't poop in the shower though. That's awful. What are you thinking, magic incest?

**Justin:**

Why do you even do that?

**Griffin:**

(laughs)

**Travis:**

It takes a while.

**Griffin:**

And really great balance unless you have one of those, like, bars that...

**Justin:**

Okay.

**Griffin:**

... fat people [crosstalk 00:15:18]

**Travis:**

And that's done. [crosstalk 00:15:19]All right.

**Justin:**

We're good on this.

**Griffin:**

You know what I'm talking about. The balance bars.

**Justin:**

Yeah, we're done.

**Griffin:**

Um, Tim asks via Gmail, "My brother recently proposed to his girlfriend and she said yes. I am all but certain he's going to ask me to be his best man and while I'm happy to do so, I'm kinda freaked out by the responsibilities I'll have. Any general advice you have on this matter would be appreciated. Also, a quick run through of what those responsibilities actually are could be a big help. Everybody knows about the bachelor party and the toast but there has to be more to it than that. Tim, Gmail."

**Travis:**

Tim, I am glad you asked. I had a friend in college who's a wise, wise grad student named Steve Knight and Steve Knight imparted to me this knowledge: When you are a best man, outside of the responsibilities like the toast and the bachelor party, you have but two responsibilities. The one is to give your friend the opportunity to be with a lady the night before. Do not encourage.

**Justin:**

No.

**Travis:**

Make it happen.

**Justin:**

No.

**Travis:**

Give the opportunity. I'm just quoting Steve Knight here.

**Justin:**

No. I, I, I wholeheartedly disagree with this.

**Travis:**

And duty number two is the day of the wedding, look at your, your brother or friend or what, what have you and say, "Listen, man. If you wanna go, I'll cover for you." Those are your two responsibilities according to Steve Knight.

**Griffin:**

So as, as a best man, you are not only a facilitator of shenanigans, uh, vis-à-vis a bachelor party. You are also the final test of his faithfulness. You are, you are making sure that he is actually ready to do this. I am totally down with that, Travis. I am totally backing— If more best men were like this, the divorce rate in this country and this world would be zero percent.

**Travis:**

Justin, don't get me wrong. I'm not saying encourage it.

**Justin:**

I'm saying that you're a liar, that you're living a lie because you do not offer me the opportunity to be with another lady the night before I got married.

**Travis:**

[crosstalk 00:17:21] No, But we did sit around with a bunch of dudes in a tiny pool and drank beer. That was pretty much the same thing.

**Justin:**

You're right. That was awesome.

**Griffin:**

(laughs) Except when [Jason 00:17:31] tried to pee on me.

**Travis:**

Yeah.

**Justin:**

Yeah. Not okay [crosstalk 00:17:33]

**Travis:**

It's all fun and games till Jason tries to pee on you.

**Griffin:**

It's not okay, Jason. Jason, you went a little too far. I know we were in a, a big tub and it, you know, things got kooky but still.

**Justin:**

(laughing)

**Griffin:**

Not okay.

**Travis:**

Not okay. Not okay.

**Griffin:**

So either-

**Travis:**

What's important to do, Tim, is to make sure that everything goes well, period.

**Griffin:**

And either offer them a chance to be with a woman or in a urine-filled baby pool with eight, eight dudes [crosstalk 00:18:00] and a keg in the middle. I like it. Uh, Formspring. We're getting some really good accidental transitions. Formspring asks, "Look, I am gay and I-

**Travis:**

(laughs)

**Griffin:**

... really like this guy I work with but I just don't know how to get his attention. I've tried wearing provocative shirts and hats but he just doesn't seem to care. What should I do?" Gotta, you gotta get more provocative with those hats, I think.

**Justin:**

I think your hats aren't provocative enough. A lot of times, I'll see a hat and I'll be like, Oh, interesting." But maybe not provocative.

**Griffin:**

Um, so, like, a safari hat. And then there's a story there, right?

**Justin:**

[crosstalk 00:18:37]

**Griffin:**

Yeah.

**Travis:**

Are you searching for something?

**Griffin:**

Is it Halloween? Is that a costume? No. Solving mysteries. I like, I like you. I like you a lot. You down?

**Travis:**

The mystery is why aren't we together? Let's solve it.

**Justin:**

Lets solve it together, you and me.

**Griffin:**

Elementary, my dear Watson, it's cause we haven't gone on a date yet. Let's do that.

**Travis:**

Oh, I like that.

**Justin:**

Is that a clue in your pocket or are you just happy to see me?

**Travis:**

(laughs) Is that the game clue in your pocket?

**Griffin:**

I don't know, I mean, this isn't my... I love ladies. So this isn't exactly my area of expertise. Maybe find out if he's gay first?

**Justin:**

Yeah.

**Griffin:**

That seems—

**Justin:**

That seems like step one.

**Griffin:**

When I'm courting a woman, I try to make sure that she's down with dudes pretty early in the courting process.

**Justin:**

Yeah.

**Griffin:**

Um, but otherwise, just more better hats, more better hats.

**Travis:**

If, if he is, um, if he is gay, then I would say that the same rules apply. You're trying to be more, get his attention more, interesting to him. Talk to him, dude. The same thing applies.

**Justin:**

Yeah.

**Travis:**

Um, how are his hats? How provocative are his shirts?

**Justin:**

Hey, hey, hey, Steve, that's a nice, provocative hat you have today. I feel provoked.

**Griffin:**

Is that a chapeau?

**Justin:**

Is that a chapeau?

**Travis:**

Is that a beret?

**Griffin:**

It is very crisp.

**Justin:**

Did anybody, did anybody watch Army Wives last night? Something like that would be a good sort of, uh, acid test, I think.

**Griffin:**

Steven, that is a handsome beret.

**Justin:**

Handsome beret, Steven. How about Army Wives last night?

**Travis:**

Is that a raspberry beret? Prince, you like Prince? I do too. How about those ruffled shirts?

**Justin:**

Wait a minute.

**Griffin:**

Let's go-

**Justin:**

Are you saying-

**Griffin:**

Let's go to this club in the city.

**Justin:**

Yeah. I know of a club where all the hats are provocative and all the shirts are ruffled.

**Griffin:**

(laughs) I enjoy it. You will enjoy it too, Steven.

**Justin:**

I, I suspect you will enjoy it, Steven. I suspect you will enjoy me. If not, wait for tomorrow and my hat will be far more provocative than it is at the moment. Formspring. Another one from Formspring. A couple of my long standing friends have recently decided to be douche bags. They've become increasingly hostile, passing off as a joke but rarely letting up when together. Apart, they're still great guys but I can't stand them together. Oh, man. What to do?

**Griffin:**

Um, I don't know what to tell you. I don't, I don't think... No, that's not true. I can pick out when some of my friends turn into douche bags. I can think of a few friends. I'm not gonna name them. Jacob Duncle

**Justin:**

(laughs)

**Griffin:**

But, um, no, I'm kidding. Um, I love you Jacob Duncle. I, I, I think you just gotta move on. I don't think... If your friends are douche bags, like, if they're being social chameleons or whatever, like, they've, they've founds new friends and, and have changed, you just gotta.

**Justin:**

That's hard. I, I, I, I assume, you know what, this sounds... I don't know if you're in college or high school but it sounds high school. Cause that happens a lot in high school. Like, it's a very fickle sort of situation, you know. People ebb and flow.  
[crosstalk 00:21:49]

**Griffin:**

If you're in high school, you just gotta, you just gotta stick it out if you're in high school.

**Justin:**

Yeah.

**Griffin:**

Cause those are your, the only friends... Like, you've already invested so much time. You might as well just roll with the changes.

**Travis:**

And most-

**Griffin:**

Like, oh, you guys love Evanescence? I do too now because I have to be you to be with you.

**Travis:**

Most of the time in a group, there's a de facto, not necessarily a leader, but someone who does something and then they start that trend. Um, if you know who that person in your group is, talk to them apart and be like, "Listen, you might not realize it cause you're in the middle of it but you guys are douche bags and you need to cut that shit out." And I think at this point, confrontation or walk away are your two options.

**Griffin:**

Yep. Or both.

**Travis:**

Yeah.

**Justin:**

Or, or, unless...

**Griffin:**

Unless...

**Travis:**

Unless...

**Justin:**

Unless, what if you were able to, uh, pull Lord of the Flies?

**Travis:**

Ooh.

**Justin:**

Kill the leader. Kill the leader.

**Griffin:**

Kill the leader with a big rock.

**Justin:**

Kill the leader with a big rock. Take the conch (pronounced 'conk') shell.

**Travis:**

How's your conch (conk again, for some reason) shell?

**Justin:**

(laughs) Kill him. Kill someone day one.

**Travis:**

Get his glasses.

**Justin:**

Make it day one, kill the leader, get his glasses, take it to the limit.

**Griffin:**

Don't do it at school though cause you'll get sent out to the principal's office.

**Travis:**

There's a zero tolerance policy on Lord of the Flies takeovers.

**Justin:**

You will get on the news though almost certainly.

**Griffin:**



Um, we rarely, and by rarely, I mean, never crossover into the realm of politics. We like to put all of our... We, we have one big umbrella for all of our listeners. It's a safe zone, a spin free zone, if you will. But there's a yahoo Questions user named StirItUp05 that has an important political query, um, that I think we could answer in a fair and balanced way. "Will there be a presidential election in 2012?"

**Justin:**

(laughs)

**Griffin:**

Now, the, the initial information's a bit lengthy so stay, stay with me. "Recently, the buzz about not having elections in 2012 has gained a lot of momentum. It seems to stem from several of Obama's initiatives and other legislation being introduced that gives Obama some frightening powers. For example, cyber legislation gives Obama sole power to shut down the internet.

**Travis:**

(laughs)

**Griffin:**

The legislation was introduced [inaudible 00:24:00] presidential term limit repeal the 22nd amendment in the controversial 16,000 armed IRS agents. On radio and TV, I have heard several comments about the possibility that we will not have presidential elections in 2012. When guests to the various show mentioned the elections and possible turnovers in 2012, several hosts have remarked, "If we have elections in 2012." Your thoughts? What other events-

**Justin:**

Wait, hosts?

**Griffin:**

... and legislation could give you concern about whether or not the 2012 elections will be canceled and if tried, what will the public reaction be? StirItUp05"

**Travis:**

Wow. Wow.

**Justin:**

Um...

**Travis:**

Oh, man. [inaudible 00:24:39]

**Griffin:**

A fair and free democratic elections is the, are really the foundation of this country of ours. [crosstalk 00:24:46] experiment called Omerica.

**Travis:**

Now that Obama is a cyber god, um, he can pretty much take that out with the way of his cyber hand. So...

**Justin:**

Yeah, he's got digital legislation and soul power.

**Travis:**

Yeah.

**Griffin:**

(laughs)

**Travis:**

Combine, combine those two together and it's like, yikes.

**Griffin:**

I don't know about... If President Obama, uh, President Barack Hussein Obama shuts down the internet, can we keep doing our show?

**Travis:**

Oh.

**Justin:**

We can. We can shout.

**Travis:**

Yeah, we'll just have to yell really loud.

**Griffin:**

So we'll do like, live stage versions, exclusively.

**Travis:**

Um, Justin, let me ask you something. Your, your wife is a doctor so I assume you have inside info on this. One of my coworkers informed me that the recent healthcare legislation allows physicians to make the decision whether to not parents, important note, the physician, whether to put to death mentally handicapped children. Is that true or false?

**Justin:**

Here's my counter to that, where's the decision?

**Travis:**

(laughs)

**Griffin:**

That was, uh, yikes.

**Travis:**

I argued with this dude for a solid, like, 30 minutes going, "I can't believe that that's true." And he was like, "No, no. I read it. I read it." And I said, "So the doctor can look at the parents and be like, "Listen, straight up, I know you didn't ask but I'm gonna have to do this. Um, my bad."

**Griffin:**

I think more troubling than that is that Obama has the power to single handedly shut down the internet.

**Justin:**

Mm-hmm (affirmative).

**Griffin:**

He has a switch on the underside of the, of the desk.

**Justin:**

He can't stand up too quick. Oops.

**Griffin:**

He can't...

**Justin:**

Where's my-

**Griffin:**

Bye, internet.

**Justin:**

Where's my Gmail? What is Gmail? There's, that's a non-existent entity.

**Griffin:**

Gmail never happened. Craigslist? Never happened.

**Justin:**

Sorry. Out.

**Griffin:**

Yahoo Answers?

**Travis:**

Shut it down.

**Griffin:**

Yahoo Answers? A flaunt of constant comedy. It's gone now. This question itself, well...

**Travis:**

So only can he shut down the internet, he erases the internet from time.

**Justin:**

(laughs)

**Griffin:**

Yes. He also has that cyber power.

**Justin:**

You mean soul power?

**Travis:**

No.

**Griffin:**

He has that soul power from the cyber legislation held in techno congress.

**Travis:**

(laughing)

**Griffin:**

There was a cyber bill in techno congress that gave him the power to go back in time and stop events from happening.

**Justin:**

Android of the house, can you pass the oil so I can...

**Griffin:**

The 22nd amendment hasn't been repealed. It's been fucking-

**Travis:**

Erased.

**Griffin:**

... de-written. It's been de, de-erased.

**Justin:**

It's been unthought.

**Travis:**

Can I just say, we have just written the greatest movie ever.

**Griffin:**

Time Travel President.

**Travis:**

Yes.

**Griffin:**

Starring Bill Pullman?

**Justin:**

It's digital legislation and soul power. Every time I hear digital legislation, I think of [inaudible 00:27:31] with Minority Report gloves on, manipulating events. (laughs)  
Uh, so, uh...

**Griffin:**

To answer your question, yes of course, there will be a god damn election in 2012, you idiot child.

**Justin:**

But the only thing we're electing is a, is a new president of the collapsed society we have because there's no more internet. It's just, like, wolf men and...

**Travis:**

(laughs)

**Justin:**

Uh, so...

**Travis:**

No, you know what? Yeah, go on.

**Justin:**

Yeah. "I... I recently failed my first semester of college." Well... Nice try... through the... The course isn't a field I'm passionate about, game design. Should I retake the semester or is it a sign to try something else?" I failed, dude. [inaudible 00:28:15]

**Griffin:**

That's my favorite part.

**Justin:**

(laughing)

**Travis:**

Maybe it's a sign to try going to class.

**Justin:**

Yeah. Why don't you try, why don't you try that method of success? First, try going.

**Travis:**

I've got this study method that I do where I open a book and I sit down in a chair and I listen.

**Justin:**

But is it a sign? (laughs) [inaudible 00:28:36] I didn't go to class and I failed. Oops. [inaudible 00:28:38]

**Griffin:**

It's not that you're not proficient in your field, it's that you're proficient at waking up and effing getting out of bed and putting pants on and leaving and going to a room where learning takes place.

**Travis:**

It's a field he's really passionate about but not passionate enough to walk away from that SpongeBob marathon.

**Justin:**

(laughs)

**Griffin:**

I feel you though. I, I, uh, I had a really... I did great in high school. I graduated high school with like a, like a 3.8. Like, I killed it and I got a full ride to Marshall University and I got even like a little bonus scholarship cause I was just so smart all the time. And then I got to my first semester at Marshall and got, like, a 2.2. Like, I did so, so bad. Because when you have that freedom, you just go buck ass wild.

**Justin:**

Yeah. That's, that's totally to be expected. Like, you should... You stop going to... It's if, it's when you start college, you know, you... What distractions do you have in high school, right? MTV, Riding in Cars, that's pretty much-

**Griffin:** With boys.

**Justin:**

Whippets. Facebook. That's it. When you get to college, it's like, drinking, fornication, uh...

**Travis:**

Druggus.

**Justin:**

Druggus. What? Dru-gus. Drugs. Uh, there are drugs to take.

**Griffin:**

You're gonna start a really shitty folk band.

**Justin:**

Mm-hmm (affirmative).

**Travis:**

Yeah. Playing guitar in the [inaudible 00:30:01].

**Travis:**

I would say-

**Justin:**

Ultimate Frisbee.

**Travis:**

Just-

**Griffin:**

Hacky sack.

**Justin:**

... you and your buddies, you're gonna start a (laughs), a shitty folk band called The Hard and The Easy. You're gonna play out at few shows, uh, gonna, gonna get some good hits, gonna get a couple songs that people can kinda sing along to.

**Griffin:**

Their version of Bob Dylan's The Man in Me is really bad.

**Justin:**

It's not good.

**Griffin:**

It's actually not very good. They should do their own stuff from now on.

**Justin:**

Yeah.

**Travis:**

Hey. Here's what you need to do. Go to class every Monday, they always cover new shit on Monday and then just talk about it throughout the course of the week. So just go on Monday. So that's what I did and I graduated with like straight A's.

**Justin:**

Failed due to lack of attendance, Travis. What part of this problem are you not getting?

**Travis:**

I picture him not going to class at all.

**Justin:**

Your solution cannot be, "Well, try going, not going to class at different times." No.

**Griffin:**

Try going to class 20% of the time.

**Justin:**

Yeah.

**Griffin:**

Just try again.

**Justin:**

You'll do it.

**Griffin:**

You'll do it.

**Justin:**

I believe in you.

**Griffin:**

But if you like... Game design's pretty fun and you've seen, like... I mean, you're lazy so you must like video games.

**Travis:**

(laughs)

**Griffin:**

So I think you should just try it again. And I think you'll like it.

**Justin:**

If you get into trouble, just email us. Guys, should I go to class? Urgent.

**Travis:**

Yes.

**Justin:**

Guys, should I go to class? [crosstalk 00:31:09]



**Travis:**

Schedule your classes later in the day. Take evening classes.

**Griffin:**

Yeah, that's somethin' you can try. Uh, another anonys, anonymous one from Formspring says, "How do I politely tell my wife that I don't wanna watch any more fucking CSI, Margaret?" The Margaret part was not in there but it was... I just got so caught up...

**Justin:**

Listen, simmer down and let us talk to her. Okay? Hey, listen. Marge, can we call you Marge? He doesn't want to watch CSI anymore. There's lots of good shows. Have you guys tried, um...

**Travis:**

Bones.

**Justin:**

No, don't you do that to me.

**Travis:**

Lie to Me.

**Justin:**

No, what?

**Travis:**

Lie to Me is a great show. I just started watching it today.

**Justin:**

You're, you're talking about some out of the frying pan into the fire shit. I think, I think this writer has some more discerning taste. He doesn't wanna watch CSI.

**Griffin:**

I don't think he wants to watch murder dramas anymore.

**Justin:**

Yeah, right. Maybe he wants to try... Have you tried any other show? What about Buffy the Vampire Slayer? That's a good one. West Wing.

**Griffin:**

All of that. West Wing's the best show ever made. All of Buffy is on Netflix Instant Queue too. So you can just watch that. You can just watch that right now.

**Justin:**

But listen, he doesn't wanna... It's nothing against him, you. He loves you. He just have different taste here.

**Travis:**

He's afraid of Laurence Fishburne. It's the eyes. It's the eyes. Eyes.

**Griffin:**

Is he on a CSI?

**Travis:**

What? He is.

**Justin:**

Yeah.

**Griffin:**

Travis is, Travis is MBMBaM's resident CSI expert.

**Justin:**

Yeah.

**Travis:**

Here's the thing, there are so many flavors of CSI in the world these days. Have you tried CSI: Miami?

**Justin:**

No. Nyet.

**Griffin:**

That's my fave.

**Justin:**

Nope. [foreign language 00:32:46] [crosstalk 00:32:47]

**Travis:**

Maybe he likes the, the sexy bikinis, the sun, the lack of sweat. Um, and someone removing their glasses in a dramatic way.

**Griffin:**

Those criminals get creative too in that heat.

**Travis:**

Oh, yeah.

**Griffin:**

And that heat with those swamps.

**Justin:**

Heat makes you clever.

**Griffin:**

Heat makes you clever, heat makes you crazy.

**Travis:**

Or perhaps, he's more a fan of friend of the show, Gary Sinise.

**Justin:**

(laughs)

**Griffin:**

I would like to see a show like CSI: Miami. Um, it would be Florida-based, only it would be, um, CSI: Vero Beach.

**Justin:**

Whoa.

**Travis:**

(laughs)

**Griffin:**

Where, um, all, all of the CSI people are 85 years old and all the-

**Travis:**

Every-

**Griffin:**

... murderers are 85 years old. [crosstalk 00:33:23]

**Travis:**

Every case turns out to be natural causes.

**Griffin:**

... and suspects. Yeah. (laughs)

**Travis:**

No, it was natural causes. Again.

**Griffin:**

We don't see any weapon wounds or signs of entry at all. Um, it looks like he just fell down in the bathtub and he, and he hurt himself and he just kinda died there cause he was old.

**Travis:**

I think if you are already watching, uh, the New York CSI, you're probably sick of episodes about 9/11. Because now, like, eight years later, nine years later, still every episode is about 9/11. And I know I said I'd never forget. Um, I haven't.

**Justin:**

Now you can't.

**Travis:**

No, I can't cause it's still on CSI, god damn it. All right.

**Justin:**

Stupid CSI. Uh, so please don't make him watch more CSI. Uh, from Twitter Whoa, whoa.

**Travis:**

You're a man.

**Justin:**

I got Greg Brady'd there for a second. Um, AllNudeReview writes from Twitter, "I work from home now and I'm having trouble concentrating. Do I need to go on the drugs?" Well, that's not... That doesn't seem like it's gonna help your problem.

**Travis:**

Listen, meth seems like a good idea.

**Justin:**

I gotta... I'm just, I can't focus. I need to do a bump. Gonna do a bump.

**Griffin:**

Just one bump. That's all I need. Need a fix.

**Justin:**

Uh, uh, it, it's hard. I, I'm in your, I'm in your boat. I work out of the home. Um, and it's hard because you have the whole internet there, you got all of your cool stuff there. You know, nobody watching over your back. Um, I get, I... So that's, that's tough. I, what I would say is try to make your, um, work environment a little more pleasing,. Like, dim the lights a little bit, play some soft music.

**Travis:**

Draw a bath.

**Justin:**

Draw a bath. (laughs) Have some Chunky Monkey.

**Griffin:**

Cover yourself in scented oil.

**Justin:**

Yeah, scented oil up. Oil up on that. Um, I, I don't know. That's the best advice I can give you.

**Griffin:**

You're really, you're asking the wrong people because right now, Justin and I are supposed to be working.

**Justin:**

Yeah. So I don't know, record a podcast.

**Griffin:**

Record a podcast or something. On, on the real though, what I've done is I've separated all of my internet bookmarks into three folders. One being essential work utilities, one being non-essential work utilities, and one being fun stuff, you know. A link to my, my penguin club and what have you. Uh, and so after I write a few stories, I will open up my fun folder and have about 10 minutes of me time, exploring the, the Arctic landscape of penguin world. I think that that's a good way to get your, your shit straightened out. Travis works at PetSmart.

**Travis:**

Yup.

**Justin:**

(laughing)

**Justin:**

So I wanna hear, um, I wanna hear, uh, Griffin's last question. But first, I feel in some way, obligated to tell you that, uh, you can get advice from us in a myriad ways, uh, through Twitter. If you hit up, uh, #MBMBaM or @MBMBaM, go to mbmbam.com, Facebook group. We don't really take questions on Facebook but, I mean, we're in that group all the time, so, uh...

**Griffin:**

Lot of good pictures on there.

**Justin:**

Lot of good pics. From Justin Russeau. T-shirts are coming. If you want a t-shirt, make sure to go to Facebook group and weigh in on the kind of thing you want.

Um, right now, we're thinking like, a gray t-shirt with a version of the MBMBaM logo in white. Uh, a cream t-shirt with the Hey Jeffrey image in purple. And what was the other one? Uh, um, My Walnut is a Temple, uh, brown shirt with cream printing are the three we are thinking-

**Travis:**

... sexy stretchy pants with MBMBaM across the butt.

**Justin:**

Yeah.

**Justin:**

Mm-hmm (affirmative).

**Griffin:**

Or MBMBaM's, um, possessive. Like, who ass is this? This ass being MBMBaM's.

**Travis:**

Um, so far as far as, uh, celebrity endorsement goes, we got Mr. Craig Bierko...

**Justin:**

and a halfy from (laughs) Ken Jeong.

**Griffin:**

A halfy from... What his-

**Justin:**

Ken Jeong from, uh, Community.

**Travis:**

Oh, yeah?

**Griffin:**

God, we came so close. Do you understand how frustrating that is? That guy is so funny. If we had gotten a full-on proper endorsement, it would've made my week.

**Justin:**

Yeah, well.

**Griffin:**

Oh, well.

**Justin:**

Oh, first, we're-

**Travis:**

I'll go ahead and endorse him. Go to [mtv.com](http://mtv.com). Vote for him for the MTV Movie Awards.

**Justin:**

Okay.

**Griffin:**

What's he up for? Best Kiss?

**Travis:**

Um, he's up for his penis for Best What the Fuck Moment in Hangover and Best Villain in Something.

**Griffin:**

What award did you win? Cause I won an Oscar. What did you win this year? My penis won an award.

**Justin:**

That's cool.

**Griffin:**

Like for a, like for a porno... No, it was a, um, it was for The Hangover. Remember when I got my penis out?

**Justin:**

Oh, yeah. I forgot.

**Griffin:**

I won an award for that. MTV's Sway came out and he gave me a, a penis-

**Justin:**

Come on, mom. Come on, mom. You remember that.

**Griffin:**

You remember that penis thing that happened in the movie? Also, MBMBaM@gmail.com. I, I don't remember you saying that one. But that's a good, that's a really great way to get ahold of us.

**Travis:**

And the Formspring. Uh, lots of great questions on Formspring.

**Griffin:**

If you got something creepy you wanna ask.

**Justin:**

Basically-

**Griffin:**

Or if you have questions about your CSI obsessed wife but you don't wanna call her out by name.

**Justin:**

No.

**Griffin:**

That's a good way too. Last question of the day comes to us from Yahoo Answers user Mora. She asks, "From your experience, does TJ Maxx administer a drug test to potential employees?"

**Justin:**

(laughs) I'm Justin McElroy.

**Travis:**

I'm Travis McElroy.

**Griffin:**

I'm Griffin McElroy.

**Justin:**

And this has been My Brother... My brother... And me.

[theme music plays]