

MBMBaM 26: Bases Loaded

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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 song, "Take A Chance On Me" by ABBA plays]

Justin:

Like Chilean miners emerging from the ground, so doth our wisdom bubble up to the surface and say to you, "Hey, it's time to grow." Come grow with us. We're *My Brother, My Brother and Me*. We're an advicecast for the modern era. My name is Justin McElroy.

Travis:

I'm Travis McElroy.

Griffin:

I'm Griffin McElroy. D— did you guys watch all the footage of those Chilean miners getting, getting [crosstalk].

Justin:

I saw one.

Travis:

[crosstalk] all over it.

Justin:

I saw one. I was like, I get it.

Griffin:

I don't, I don't know why, [laughs] the entire time I was watching all 33 of those men, um, be, be pulled from the loam—

Travis:

Uh-huh [affirmative].

Griffin:

... um, all I could think about was, Fuck yeah, America.

Justin:

Yeah.

Griffin:

We got in there, and we did it.

Justin:

We did it.

Griffin:

We didn't have to do it. We just got in there, and we got them, got them all out.

Justin:

Yeah.

Travis:

I think it was a real buzzkill, though, when the last one popped up and saw a shadow and went back down, [laughs] and now we got six more weeks of winter.

Griffin:

Uh.

Justin:

[laughs] What a bummer.

Griffin:

I'm glad that they all survived because now we can make jokes about it.

Justin:

Yeah.

Travis:

Yep!

Justin:

If they hadn't, it wouldn't have been as funny.

Griffin:

No.

Justin:

Well, it would have been as funny later—

Griffin:

Sure.

Justin:

... But not now. It wouldn't be funny. Um, so our show, *My Brother, My Brother and Me*, is an advice show for the modern era. We take your questions. Um, we think about them. We chew on them all week. Uh, yeah, a lot of people think we just read them and then make up stuff. We really mull these over. Um, so let's, let's take on the first question that we've carefully considered.

Uh, uh, uh, as always, if you have a question or a friend has a question, we love to get them. We ran a little late this week. So, um, if you've got a good one, send it in to us. Um, the more challenging the better. Formspring asks, "Is it okay to sneak glances at the cleavage of women who are sitting down in the subway while I'm standing? I'm over six feet tall, so I have a good height advantage. It's a victimless crime, right? Brian in a Major Metro Area."

Travis:

Uh...

Griffin:

Um, it is actually, that crime does have a victim.

Justin:

Yeah. [laughs]

Griffin:

I mean, technically, it's a victim—full crime, uh—

Justin:

Yeah.

Griffin:

... I believe.

Justin:

Yeah.

Travis:

I think it is your God-given right.

Griffin:

No.

Justin:

Okay, okay, no.

Griffin:

Okay. How, how are things in madman world?

Justin:

Yeah, really. How is 1960? Did you hear about Kennedy?

Travis:

Well, I think, it's one of those things though, as long as you could accept that they totally know you're doing it, there's never been a dude who's like, ninja like, scoped out a chick's cleavage and she wasn't aware of it.

Justin:

You've and you've never, and, and, and let's, let's say that no one's ever scooped a peak of cleavage down a turtleneck.

Travis:

Yep.

Justin:

Like, it's, it's a two-way street, okay? I think, the thing is to be like, i— it's a fine line between grabbing a peek, that's what a cool kid does—

Travis:

Uh-huh [affirmative].

Justin:

And grabbing a leer. Because if you grab a leer—

Griffin:

You gotta get that smooth, smooth *Roger Dodger*, like glance out the periph down.

Justin:

Yeah.

Travis:

That's exactly what I was gonna say.

Griffin:

If you haven't, if you haven't seen *Rodger Dodger*, you need to, especially if you're in high school. Uh, it'll, it'll change your world in, in a lot of ways. Um—

Justin:

It's got, uh... Facebook's in it.

Griffin:

It does have... It has Jimmy Facebook, uh...

Justin:

Kid Facebook and, uh—

Travis:

Johnny Zombieland.

Justin:

Kid's good. Um [crosstalk]—

Griffin:

It is good.

Justin:

George C. Scott's son.

Travis:

It's an awesome, uh, man movie. Yeah.

Griffin:

But it'll teach you—

Travis:

I think women would like it too, but...

Griffin:

It'll teach you about how to, to do things like this without being a, a total monster about it.

Justin:

The thing is, you biologically are going to do it.

Griffin:

Yeah.

Justin:

The thing is, don't be a creep.

Griffin:

Yeah. Don't be a weird beard.

Travis:

Always wear sunglasses.

Justin:

Always wear giant sunglasses to—

Travis:

Novelty sized.

Justin:

Yeah.

Griffin:

If you do do it, if you can change your face into the face of a wolf...

Justin:

Uh-huh [affirmative].

Griffin:

And then, like a big cartoon wolf face, and then let out like a howl while stomping your foot.

Travis:

Awooga! Awooga!

Justin:

That's good too. [crosstalk].

Griffin:

Make your eyeballs shoot, you know, one to two feet out of your head.

Justin:

[laughs] This is a good opportunity, actually, to build some self-confidence if you do it properly, because you can get in there for a look, burn it into your mind. Just burn it into your mind. And then look away, knowing you could look more. And it's a big self-confidence booster. You, you say, "Wow. Wow, Justin. What restraint."

Travis:

Yep.

Justin:

"What restraint you're showing. You're like a zen master and you're not a creepy weirdo."

Griffin:

If you had restraint, wouldn't you not do it in the first place?

Travis:

No, you're gonna do it.

Griffin:

You're saying once you get a sampling, once you get a sampling of it, then it [crosstalk]—

Justin:

A sampling and then you're like... It's like when you go into Cold Stone and you're like, let me try the peanut butter chocolate hoedown and then they give you a little spoonful of it and you say, "Ah, you know what? Fuck this."

Griffin:

Yeah.

Justin:

And then you flick the spoon at them and you walk out.

Griffin:

That's insane.

Travis:

You're like, I'm gonna go get some yogurt.

Griffin:

I was, I was gonna make that exact same analogy with that exact same flavor of ice cream.

Justin:

Oh, wow.

Travis:

[laughs]

Justin:

Yeah. I guess I'm not the only fan of this made-up ice cream flavor. "My friends..." No, sorry, let me start again.

Griffin:

[laughs]

Travis:

[laughs]

Justin:

Good start. "My wife's best friend sucks." Oh, David. Infidelity is not the secret to a happy marriage. "All she does is critique the..." Oh, not that. Okay. "All she does is critique things, and she's way too negative and she disagrees with everything I say. Every time we're together, it's like she's competing with me on who knows my wife better. Also, she always has to one-up what I have to say. I usually ignore her and I don't indulge her, but sometimes she just pushes way too many buttons. I am never flat-out mean to her, but I'm reaching my breaking point. Is there any way to handle this situation without being mean?"

Griffin:

Oh, David.

Travis:

Oh, David.

Griffin:

The... I'm, I, I'm starting to get the impression that like, half of the questions we get, have something to do with a friend of a friend or a friend of a brother, friend of a wife. Um, just like a secondhand acquaintance.

Justin:

Right.

Griffin:

Who just sucks and nobody knows how to deal with them.

Justin:

Mm-hmm [affirmative].

Travis:

If... We should like start some kind of service—

Griffin:

Yeah.

Travis:

Like where we roll up in a van and we just take that person away.

Justin:

[laughs] But not hurt.

Travis:

No, not hurt. We just take them away and leave them—

Griffin:

Put them in a cornfield somewhere.

Travis:

Yeah, dazed and confused and spin them around a couple times.

Griffin:

Yeah.

Travis:

And then just leave them there with a bottle of water and a granola bar.

Griffin:

Pretty sure that's a federal crime, what you've just described.

Justin:

That is kidnapping, yes.

Travis:

Oh.

Justin:

Technically.

Griffin:

To quote Spice Girls, if you wanna be her lover, you gotta get with her friends.

Justin:

Right.

Griffin:

I'm having deja-vu. Have we answered this exact same question in this exact same way before?

Justin:

I, now I just think it's such a common problem 'cause David and, and, and I'm gonna be going out on a limb here, but, but give me a chance. I, I think that a lot of the, the, the times that you have these problems where, you know, my wife's friend or my boyfriend's friend, or whatever, I think it has

to do with the fact that there's a dichotomy sometimes between who you are with your friends and who you are with your SO. And, and I think that sometimes that dichotomy can cause problems, um.

I, I often said that the key to finding, um, the, the best possible person for you is the person who you feel like you can be the same you around your friends and around them. Um, and, and when you find that person, that's a really good indication that they're someone you can really build a life with. And it sounds like there might be a dichotomy here. And I'm not saying that like, you and her aren't meant to be. I'm, I'm just saying that that can cause some real friction, because a lot of times you're different people with your significant other and friends.

Travis:

I, I also think that if it really feels like she's competing with you, she probably is, dude. Like she's probably—

Justin:

Yeah.

Travis:

You know? This is her best friend and, you know, she's married now, and she's probably feeling like she's losing her best friend and everything like that. So I think, as far as taking care of it without being mean, I think the more you strive, and this is gonna feel counter-intuitive, but the more you strive to like include her in things and be pleasant with her and let her know that she's not getting cut out of the situation, you don't have to say it, but you have to show it and be like, you're included. But at the same time, you also need to talk to your wife and be like, "Hon, your best friend is being a complete bitch and either this needs to stop, or [crosstalk]—"

Justin:

Oh, don't say that! Who are you? [laughs]

Travis:

Why not? You gotta be upfront.

Justin:

Animal today.

I, I... Part of the, part of the problem is that you, it's not just that you don't like the friend, it's that you feel like the friend is competing with you for the affections of the person that is more important to you than anything. And that is [crosstalk].

Griffin:

Which she probably is.

Justin:

She probably is. Right.

Griffin:

Just eat that. Just eat it. You don't... There's nothing you can do about it.

Justin:

Get confident. Say, "There's no way that you can move in on this special love that we have."

Travis:

Oh, yeah. You've won, dude. You've got it.

Justin:

Yeah, it's over.

Griffin:

Yeah, you won. [crosstalk].

Justin:

She didn't marry her friend.

Travis:

You gotta be a, you gotta be a, a good sport and, you know, invite the second-place finisher to hang out.

Justin:

Yeah.

Griffin:

Yeah.

Travis:

Um...

Griffin:

I have so many Yahoo Answers questions that I'm—

Justin:

We've been... Embarrassment of Riches, right?

Griffin:

Like I have been flooded in Yahoo Answers questions. I think I'm gonna kick it off with this one. This one was sent in by Thomas Reese. Uh, it's by Yahoo Answers user La Fugue De Salad.

Travis:

[laughs]

Justin:

[laughs] That's the fight of salad.

Travis:

Yep.

Griffin:

Yep. Uh, who asks, "Help! My water just broke, but I need to finish watching this hilarious movie on YouTube."

Travis:

[laughs]

Griffin:

"Is there any, is there any way to hold off labor another hour? I really don't wanna miss the ending." Uh—

Justin:

[laughs]

Griffin:

"Additional details: I'm not missing the ending. I already had to miss Homecoming Dance because of this babby."

Travis:

[laughs] God, babies are such an inconvenience.

Justin:

They are. They are an inconvenience.

Griffin:

Um—

Travis:

Uh-huh [affirmative].

Griffin:

The, the top answer is by Doc Mojave, who says, "Get an iPhone and hurry!" That's a pretty good suggestion, I guess.

Travis:

[laughs]

Justin:

Getting me to hurry to get an iPhone or hurry to go to the hospital?

Griffin:

Oh, I mean those iPhones are selling out pretty quickly.

Justin:

Yeah, they're banging, right? They're huge.

Griffin:

I would posit that maybe you should get your fucking shit together, because you're about to give life to a human that's gonna be your responsibility, and YouTube movies, um, they can wait.

Justin:

Will they, though?

Griffin:

You can finish that movie later.

Justin:

Can they? So often though, if it's a movie like, if someone just uploaded *Save the Last Dance* or something—

Griffin:

Yeah.

Justin:

What if there's a copyright infringement claim while you're giving birth?

Griffin:

Shit. I didn't think about that.

Justin:

Yeah, you... Yeah, see! You guys just ca—... This is why I think about these ahead of time. This is why I did some legal research into *Save the Last Dance* and copyright holders and things like that. Um—

Griffin:

I'm reading more answers on this and people, like nobody's saying the obvious thing which is, "What the fuck is wrong with you?" They're saying things like "Stick your feet in the air and elevate your hips." No!

Justin:

Griffin, she said in other details she's not missing the end of the movie!

Griffin:

That is not an option.

Travis:

She's not looking for that option. She's looking for like a cork kind of solution.

Justin:

[laughs]

Travis:

I love that she goes so far as to clarify that she's already missed the Homecoming Dance and everyone knows the second biggest point in a young lady's life is that funny YouTube video. She's balanced out. She's not missing that. She's already missed the Homecoming Dance.

Justin:

How... What movie is she watching, though?

Travis:

That takes an hour on YouTube.

Justin:

Yeah. I don't understand. It's something historic.

Travis:

[laughs]

Justin:

Oh, no. It's hilarious. Maybe it's about the Chilean miners. They're pretty funny. Um, boy. I don't know what to tell you other than... How late is a late-term abortion? Like how late does it, does it go?

Travis:

[laughs]

Griffin:

You're talking, you're talking like the, six minutes until midnight. Like—

Justin:

Right. Like, ah! Where, where... Which one is closer? Do they have YouTube at the abortion doctor's office? Because if so, I think you might have a—

Travis:

Oh! I finally get it.

Justin:

What if, what if the movie that, that she's watching is, uh, is *Vampires Suck*, and that way she can have two abortions at once.

Travis:

[laughs]

Griffin:

[laughs] There it was.

Justin:

Hey, uh. I got a question from, uh, the internet. "When my fiancée and I get married this summer, we'll have been together fi—, over five years. Everyone says that any good couple will have their fights, but working through them is what makes a relationship last. However, I've never had a fight with my wife-to-be. Sure, we've argued over where to eat and things like that, but the relationship has been pretty much conflict-free thus far. Are we doomed? Is it true we need to fight more?" Addled in Ann Arbor.

Griffin:

That's a good one.

Justin:

She, she hates you so much.

Griffin:

She fucking hates your guts in her secret heart of hearts.

Justin:

In, uh, deep down in her heart of hearts, [whispering] she hates your guts. She hates your ever-loving guts, and you might hate her guts a little bit.

Travis:

Other than that though, you're probably good.

Justin:

Listen, you're talking to three guys who were raised Baptist. Don't talk to us about stuffing your feelings deep, deep down where no one can ever find them. Alright?

Travis:

You put them right in that bottle. You cork that shit.

Justin:

Yeah. What is it going to do [crosstalk]—

Travis:

You keep that in like a baby while you're watching YouTube.

Justin:

[laughs] What did he used to say, Griffin? You stuff them down in a bottle and then you get a bigger bottle?

Travis:

Yep.

Griffin:

[laughs] Um, I... You know what? I have... I don't think there's anything wrong with it. I think that there are some couples that just don't fight. And I don't think that's not, and I don't think that's too weird. I think there are just types of people who are just non-confrontational and that when two of those people start dating, um, you know, it's normal for them not to fight.

Justin:

I will tell you, though, that, and this isn't for better or for worse, but the tenor of your relationship will change after you get married. Because the... Some of the things that you can sort of laugh off when you are not permanently hitched to this person for, for your entire life become far more serious when you, uh, when you get married. Because then it becomes

issues that affect both of you and as, as things happen, um, you, you will run into, to problems. I think the only, uh, deficit you get from not fighting for this long is that when real conflicts do come up, you're not gonna have a lot of experience with resolving them. Um, so I guess what I'm saying is be more serious when you're picking a restaurant. Like, get a pros and cons list out and go to relationship counselors.

Griffin:

Yeah, just next, next time you guys are arguing over where to eat, just fucking turn up the heat on that shit. Be like—

Travis:

[laughs]

Griffin:

Yeah!

Justin:

Only say TGI Fridays, you bitch!

Travis:

[laughs]

Justin:

Just see where it goes from there.

Travis:

I will turn this fucking car around and we are going to Applebee's.

I think that, um, the fact of the matter is, as long as you feel like you're not holding anything back, that you're saying everything, then you're good. I mean, only you can judge it, but, you know...

Justin:

That's a good point. Are you... Look down deep in you and see if there's, if you're getting everything out. 'Cause a lot of times fights can be, people can

put them off. I know I do this. By saying, "Well, that's not worth fighting about."

Travis:

Yeah.

Justin:

Or like giving my opinion isn't worth getting upset about. Um, I guess I'm telling you just be angrier. Like get serious about this.

Travis:

Or maybe you just don't care. At which point that's great. That's fine.

Justin:

Yeah.

Travis:

There's so many things in my life that I'm like, I could get—no. I don't care. I'm not worried about that. I'll worry about that later.

Justin:

You know the [crosstalk], you know the people they are. They're the people who sit and they say, "What do you wanna have for dinner tonight?" And the other one says, "What do *you* wanna have for dinner?"

Travis:

Yep.

Justin:

"I don't care. What do you wanna have?" And then they eat their hands.

Travis:

[laughs]

Justin:

Three hours later, they're like...

Griffin:

Eat each other's hands.

Justin:

Yeah, eat each other's hands. Romance.

Griffin:

Sweet, sweet romance. Uh, let's do a Yahoo. This one's from, uh, Gun Blader sent this one in.

Travis:

Oh.

Griffin:

Thank you, Gun Blader.

Travis:

Thanks, Gun Blader.

Griffin:

Uh, Yahoo Answers user Miiiiiiii Mooooooooos. Eight Is and nine Os.

Travis:

[laughs]

Griffin:

Uh, they ask, "Who do I become a prostitute without my parents knowing?"

Travis:

[laughs]

Griffin:

"I, I really wanna be a prostitute, but no way will my parents even think of it."

Travis:

Stuffy uptight parents.

Griffin:

[laughs] Stuffy. Ugh, these parents nowadays.

Justin:

I, I think the first thing you need, the first most important thing you need to do is memorize the fuck outta your dad's license plate number.

Griffin:

Yeah.

Travis:

[laughs]

Justin:

You do not wanna make that, that particular mistake.

Griffin:

[laughs]

Justin:

Holy shit.

Travis:

Hey, looking for a... Oh!

Justin:

Dammit!

Griffin:

I mean, I guess, I guess you do it the same way you do anything that you don't want your parents to know that you're doing. Although I imagine that there are, um, more things to consider when you're hiding your prostitute lifestyle from your, your parents. Um, like the makeup. You gotta take that off before morning. Before they drive you to school.

Justin:

Right.

Griffin:

'Cause they'll know. Um, if you get any shiners during the thing.

Travis:

Mm-hmm [affirmative].

Griffin:

'Cause it can happen. It can happen. You're gonna have to come up with a solid excuse for that.

Justin:

You gotta be, you gotta be careful about what lies you tell your parents as to what you're really doing, 'cause the last thing you want is your mom to confront you at the breakfast table and say, "Debbie, why is it every time you come home from church group, you're walking like Slim Pickens and you smell like the inside of a whisky bottle?"

Griffin:

[laughs]

Travis:

I imagine the hardest thing to hide is probably forging the parent signature on the permission slip.

Justin:

Mm-hmm [affirmative].

Travis:

Because pimps won't just take underage women. They have *lot* of strict rules.

Griffin:

That's what I was just thinking about, is, is how to introduce your pimp to your family without things like... "Now, you say that, uh, Dr. Money Money here is your, your tutor?"

Travis:

[laughs]

Griffin:

"Is that correct? What do you teach, Dr. Money Money?"

Justin:

Hard lessons.

Griffin:

That's appropriate. I see.

Justin:

Teach this bitch about the streets.

I mean pre-algebra.

Griffin:

Sociology. What did I say?

Justin:

I'm sorry, Destiny. I mean, Debbie. Fuck!

Griffin:

So Dr. Money Money, is that a, is that... Did you get a PhD? Or is that like a medical...?

Justin:

Yeah, PhD in hard knocks. [laughs]

What? Nobody... I don't... Do pimps say things like, "Hard knocks?" Is that a thing pimps say? I'm not...

Travis:

Only, only the old-fashion pimps. The ones who talk about how it used to be.

Justin:

Tell your parents every time you go out hooking, tell your parents that you're going to science club and then when you introduce your pimp to him, tell him it's an android you invented.

Travis:

[laughs]

Justin:

This is my android, Dr. Money Money. Yo, what's up?

Travis:

He's so lifelike!

Griffin:

In order for this, this scenario to play out, in [crosstalk] the way we've envisioned it, um, you need to have really stupid-ass parents.

Justin:

[laughs]

Travis:

Yep. Though to be fair, if you wanna be a prostitute, I'm guessing that they're not doing a good job so far.

Justin:

You're looking for hooking advice on Yahoo Answers. They're probably not a brain trust.

Griffin:

Uh, I just got sad all of a sudden.

Travis:

[laughs]

Griffin:

This question just made me really—like, it went from being jovial to just kind of sad. Yeah, that's really a person out there. That's a real person.

Travis:

[laughs]

Griffin:

That question on the internet. They're looking for real advice.

Justin:

Oh, Griffin. Prostitutes aren't people.

Travis:

[laughs]

Justin:

Don't be silly.

Travis:

Uh, that's like saying chairs are people.

Justin:

Yeah, that's like saying chairs are people, which is appropriate 'cause you sit on them.

Griffin:

Oh, God!

Justin:

And they're made of wood.

"Don't you wish everyone still wore hats?"

Travis:

Nope.

Justin:

Nope. "I'd like to rock an awesome Trilby, but I'm afraid of the ridicule. What should I do?"

Travis:

You've made the mistake of asking three guys who don't look good in hats.

Griffin:

Yeah.

Justin:

They're just... We're really anti-hat, because our heads aren't big enough.

Griffin:

We have long heads. [crosstalk] I think's the best way to describe.

Justin:

They're just big heads.

Griffin:

They're not... I wouldn't even say big as much as they are I—, they're deep. We have deep, deep heads. Um...

Travis:

[laughs] Right.

Griffin:

It's hard to, it's hard to put, you know, uh, something on top of that without looking, you know, just silly.

Justin:

What, whatever the reverse of a chasm is, we have that for heads.

Griffin:

It's like putting a hat on a boat.

Justin:

Yeah. [laughs]

Griffin:

It's, it's, it's pretty much what you're doing. Um—

Justin:

You can't bend society to suit the fashion that you wish you could rock for yourself. There are only two ways to deal with this situation. You either get

in line, or you just start wearing that hat. Now, you run the risk if you wear the hat of being like, "What's up with hat, hat guy here? Who, who, who does he think he is with this hat?"

Travis:

The important question you have to ask yourself, because I was talking to someone about a similar situation last night, are you the type of person who wants to wear a hat? Or are you the type of person who's meant to wear a hat? 'Cause if you are meant to wear a hat, then you wear the shit out of it. But if just wanna wear a hat, then you're Billy Hat Guy and you don't wanna be Billy Hat Guy.

Griffin:

That's the thing. Once you put this hat on, once you start rocking an awesome Trilby - which by the way, no such thing. Uh—

Travis:

[laughs]

Griffin:

Once you start doing that, that's what your whole world's about after that.

Justin:

Right.

Griffin:

That's what your whole situation is. Oh, you were in the Peace Corp for two years? Tough fucking break. Nobody cares. You're hat man. You're Mr. Hat. You're Sergeant Hat.

Justin:

Dr. Hat. Uh, I would like to wear a cape. What... Okay, guys. Question for you. Sub-question to the question. If you could wear one article of clothing and it would be considered socially acceptable that you can't wear right now, what would it be?

Travis:

A vest.

Justin:

A vest? That's okay, right? Doesn't uh, doesn't that *Glee* teacher wear a vest?

Travis:

Ah, see?

Griffin:

Vest are okay. Vests really are coming back. Uh—

Travis:

That's what I'm hoping.

Griffin:

I would, I would say, uh, brightly colored suspenders.

Justin:

[laughs] Oh, yeah? Like Gallagher?

Griffin:

Yeah. Like what?

Justin:

Like Gallagher? [laughs]

Griffin:

Like Gallagher or like, like Mork.

Travis:

Mork. Yeah.

Griffin:

Like—

Justin:

Yeah. Mine's cock rings.

Griffin:

Oh, God. Always... That's your go-to, like... I have a, I have a feeling you're—

Travis:

Can I ask, if you are putting yourself in a situation where people are commenting on your cock rings, you're doing it wrong.

Griffin:

Yeah.

Justin:

Yeah. I guess what I'm saying is I wish I could walk around with my wiener out [laughs]. My extension. My extension indeed. "In the baseball analogy, what is getting to third base? I, I think it's pretty clear that getting to second base is getting to touch boobies and home is intercourse."

Travis:

Yep.

Justin:

"What would you call third base? I think it's gotta be something that has at least the possibility of an orgasm. What do you think?" Seth from Gmail.

Travis:

Well, in my experience, it's been second base is touch boobies.

Griffin:

Okay.

Travis:

Third base is think about the terrible things you've done with our life.

Griffin:

Sure. Third base is guilt.

Travis:

Yeah, and then fourth base is sitting at home by yourself crying.

Justin:

Third base is, third base is getting to second base without having to pay for dinner.

Travis:

[laughs]

Griffin:

No, uh, for real, though. First base is—

Justin:

Kissing.

Griffin:

Kisses. Second base is hand stuff. Third base is mouth stuff and then a home run is, as you so delicately put it, intercourse.

Justin:

[laughs] Like a robot.

Travis:

And a grand slam is her and her sister and a teacher.

Griffin:

Right. Uh, a ground roll double is, probably has something to do with premature ejaculation. I'll, I'll suss that out later.

Justin:

An error is true love waits.

Griffin:

Uh-huh [affirmative].

Travis:

[laughs] And never bunt.

Justin:

[laughs] Never bunt. Absolutely. [foreign language].

Griffin:

I feel like there's more baseball analogies that I [crosstalk]—

Justin:

If only I knew more sports. Um—

Griffin:

Hey, here's a, here's a [crosstalk]—

Justin:

Buying a cotton candy in the stands...

Travis:

[laughs]

Justin:

What is that? Paying too much for a program? Well, that's men are from Mars, women are from Venus, I guess.

Travis:

Going to the ball pin.

Griffin:

Oh, what's a, what would be an in the parker? An in the park?

Travis:

[laughs]

Justin:

What?

Griffin:

Like, uh, when you hit a ball and you get [crosstalk]—

Travis:

That's, that's while, that's while it happens when she's still asleep.

Justin:

Yeah. [wheezing laughter]

Travis:

[laughs]

Griffin:

This, this took a weird turn.

Justin: That's accurate.

Or, or when you have sex with a girl named Parker. Good luck with that.

Griffin:

[laughs] Hey, uh, let's, let's make this appropriate segue which we, we never do. Uh, this Yahoo Answer was sent in by Jay Phonic, uh, known creator of dope, the dopest beats. Uh, and it is from Yahoo Answers user River Coal who asks, "What does," sorry, sorry. Let me start over. "What does BJ or HJ mean in sex terms? Well, my friend used it in abbreviations and IDK what it means." I think that the answer to this one's pretty clear-cut but, um, I just wanted to share it because the first answer, the top answer is the best thing I've ever read. Uh, it's from Answerer One, who says, "Um, fun." Source. And the source for their information, the HJs and BJs mean fun, their source is: "14 and loving it."

Justin:

[laughs] Okay, so that means one of a few things. One, this person has had 14 blow jobs or hand jobs and is a fan.

Griffin:

Mix and match. I would say—

Justin:

They're in fact, loving it.

Griffin:

Nine HJs, five BJs.

Justin:

Yeah.

Griffin:

Two in-the-parkers.

Justin:

[laughs] And they've bought cotton candy, in a sense.

Travis:

You know what I mean?

Justin:

If you know what I mean.

Griffin:

Man, the rest of the answers on this are weird.

Justin:

[laughs] Yeah. Yeah. You mean, what I'm gonna do to you? Email me.

Griffin:

[laughs]

Justin:

I'm Teen Boy 13.

Travis:

HJ stands for Howard Johnson's.

Justin:

Yeah, go to Howard Johnson's.

Griffin:

Oh, this is [crosstalk], it's when you guys fuck and then go to a Ho-Jos.

Justin:

[laughs] What's up?

Griffin:

What's up? Scramble.

Travis:

What?

Justin:

Pinch hitters.

Travis:

[laughs] I'm terrified of what that would be.

Justin:

Yeah, [crosstalk]—

Griffin:

Just sit down, girl, I'm gonna give you... Sit down girl, I'm gonna give you a dusty baker.

Travis:

[laughs] This is Jimmy. He's my designated runner.

Justin:

I don't think they have those anymore. Do they?

Griffin:

You just gotta, you gotta make sure you wear protection, or else you'll get Lou Gehrig's disease.

All:

[laughing]

Travis:

[laughs] Ah, this is...! Oh, God!

Griffin:

I'm so sorry.

Travis:

[laughs] If Mrs. Gehrig is listening, it's our bad.

Griffin:

Oh, Mrs. Gehrig. I'm so sorry!

Justin:

Oh, God!

Wouldn't that be a trip if your, if your doctor was like, "You have Lou Gehrig's disease."

"What?"

"No, that's a metaphor. You have Chlamydia."

Griffin:

[laughs]

Justin:

Well, I guess it's better. [laughs] Oh, shit.

Travis:

Now, I'm gonna have to tell my parents about my prostitution.

Justin:

Aw. [makes defeated noises] Um, "My long-time friend of 20 years has turned into a bitter year jerk in the past year. How can I get him back to his old self again?"

Travis:

A frying pan to the head.

Griffin:

Yeah.

Travis:

Yeah.

Griffin:

Drop something heavy on him.

Justin:

Jeff, it sounds like you may not have your... We got another question right after this. It says, uh, "I've been really depressed for a year, and my friend Jeff only thinks about how it affects him. How can I find new friends?"

Travis:

Come on! Snap out of it! My grandma just died, Jeff. Come on!

Griffin:

Come on. I'm trying to party.

Justin:

Let's go get low tonight. Jeff, I told you. I told you. I told you. I have Lou Gehrig's disease.

Travis:

Yeah, but you go to a doctor and they're like, no like, for reals.

Justin:

Literal. Um, the, um... God, someone is gonna think, God, these guys used to be funny, but then when they started laughing about Lou Gehrig's disease for a few minutes...

Griffin:

We're not laughing about Lou Gehrig's disease. It's a horrible, horrible disease and it's not funny at all. Um, but when you use it as a, a, a reference, referencing? As like an STD for baseball metaphors, that sentence was so fucked up.

Justin:

Yeah.

Griffin:

That was a real fucked up sentence I just pieced together there.

Justin:

Jeff, have you considered purchasing your friend a *My Brother, My Brother and Me* T-shirt? Available now. MBMBAM.com.

Travis:

Nothing makes me feel confident and lovely like a *My Brother, My Brother and Me* T-shirt.

Justin:

Jeff, talk to him, buddy. Just say like, "Hey, friend." Let's call friend, Gregor. "Hey, Gregor. What, what has been bothering you for the past year? Because I feel like you're kind of down." 'Cause you know what? The problem is you're not an advice professional. We are.

Griffin:

Mm-hmm [affirmative].

Justin:

So find out what his problem is and have him write in, or you write in. And then we can help him from there. But until you talk to him and figure out like, like... Bitter jerk, okay? That's how it manifests on the outside, but what, like—

Griffin:

What's inside that bitter jerk?

Justin:

What's inside that bitter jerk? 'Cause somewhere deep down is that heart of that guy you've, you've been a friend of for 20 years. You just gotta help him brush away all that bitterness and get back to that guy who used to drive you home after you been drinking too much.

Travis:

A shortcut? Take him to Vegas.

Justin:

Vegas fixes everything.

Griffin:

Mm-hmm [affirmative]. Also, he's secretly in love with you. He's... Boom, boom, pow. Like, you have a situation on your hands. [crosstalk] Uh, that you, you, you gotta talk to him about it before it develops from a schoolboy crush into a full-blown like, *Swimfan* love affair.

Justin:

Yeah.

Travis:

Yep.

Justin:

Now, maybe it's reciprocated, in which case, God bless you.

Griffin:

Good work.

Travis:

[laughs] Don't ask. Do tell.

Justin:

[laughs] "MBMBAM, there's this girl that I like. Original, right? She's my best friend's girlfriend's best..." Wait, no. Hold on. Wait.

Travis:

Let's try this again.

Justin:

"She's my best friend's," okay? "Girlfriend's,"—

Griffin:

Okay.

Justin:

Okay. "Best friend."

Travis:

Okay.

Justin:

Okay. Got it. "What should I do? It could get kind of messy." The best things always are, Formspring. The best things always are. Um, how else... Like, okay. God bless you. How else are you supposed to meet people? You can't, you can't eliminate people because they are of a tertiary friendship to you.

Griffin:

[laughs]

Justin:

Now, like my cousin used to go to science class with her brother-in-law, so I don't think it's going to work out. It's gonna be messy.

Travis:

Her mom is my aunt and... No, wait. Do rule that out. That's a good one.

Griffin:

Yeah, this is... That's too many degrees of separation for you to be worried about it, because if you guys date and then breakup, it's not like your best friend's girlfriend is gonna, you know—

Travis:

Unless you're in high school.

Griffin:

Unless you're in high school and you guys all go to class together.

Justin:

I, I... This could, if it works out well, it could be really good 'cause it's like double dating and stuff. And the, the problem with double dating couples that people tell you about is, you can't ever breakup. No one can ever, ever breakup 'cause then, then it is a problem. Why is it gonna get messy? Why are you thinking about the end of this relationship before you're thinking about the beginning?

Griffin:

That ain't no way to live.

Travis:

It could be beautiful.

Justin:

It could be beautiful.

Griffin:

She could be the one.

Justin:

What if she's the one and you let her go because it could get messy? You know what's messy, Formspring? Love is messy.

Griffin:

Mm-hmm [affirmative]. Love, love—there ain't no rules to love.

Justin:

Untreated Lou Gehrig's disease is messy, for example.

Travis:

[laughs]

Griffin:

Yeah, lot, lot of drainage.

Justin:

Just really—

Travis:

Oh, God! Hey.

Justin:

See, see a doctor and get rid of it.

Griffin:

Let's, let's do another Yahoo 'cause I got like nine more.

Justin:

Hit me.

Travis:

Okay.

Griffin:

Um, let me pick the best one. Let's do two back-to-back. Uh, 'cause they're somewhat related. This one was sent in by Dill Bob.

Justin:

Good, good name.

Griffin:

No, Dill Bob, Dill Bob submitted an answer last, uh, last week, so don't make fun of him.

Justin:

Okay.

Griffin:

'Cause he's a big, big fan of the show and—

Justin:

Okay.

Griffin:

He's a big supporter of the show.

Justin:

He's bad at picking names.

Griffin:

He's bad at picking names.

Justin:

Gotta love him.

Griffin:

Um, it's from Yahoo Answers user I Am A Trolley, who says—

Justin:

I'm gonna call bullshit right now.

Travis:

[laughs]

Griffin:

Uh, his profile, his profile image is, is the shopping cart which I guess, do people call those trolleys? Where is this? Oh, this is from Yahoo Canada.

Justin:

Whoa!

Travis:

Whoa!

Griffin:

Uh, they ask, "How far could Jesus give me a piggyback before tiring?"

Travis and Justin:

[laugh]

Griffin:

Now, keep in mind, he weighs 75-80 kilos, and he hasn't weighed himself in a while.

Travis:

Okay. Do we have any idea of what that conversion is? 'Cause that could be like 700 pounds.

Griffin:

What we don't have is information about Jesus' upper body strength.

Justin:

Yeah.

Travis:

We know his calves are banging.

Griffin:

I know he's gotta be, he's gotta be totally ripped. Um, I imagine that working as a carpenter really blasts your core and it gets your delts and your bis just banging. Just banging.

Justin:

Just really banging.

Griffin:

Busting out of your, out of your arm skin.

Justin:

Yeah.

Griffin:

Um—

Justin:

He used to, you know, he used turn water into protein powder all the time.

Travis:

[laughs]

Griffin:

Um, I get why this guy's concerned, though, because there... Where there's one pair of footsteps, that is where he's gonna carry you, so you wanna know, you wanna know exactly how long of trip you've got.

Justin:

Right.

Travis:

That's, that's where you were getting, you know, an old piggyback ride and some cotton candy.

Justin:

And you know what the problem is? Jesus will never tell you if he's tired of carrying you. That's the thing.

Travis:

Yeah.

Justin:

'Cause you could ask him all day, 'cause he's not gonna admit to it. He'll just kind of pass out.

Griffin:

Like, Jesus, you—

Travis:

Just turn the other cheek.

Griffin:

Um, this question was sent in by Jay. Thank you, Jay. Uh, it's by Yahoo Answers user Ask A Mexican, who asks—

Justin:

A Mexican.

Griffin:

Who asks, "Why does Jesus only visits when my camera is out of batteries?"

Justin:

[laughs]

Griffin:

See, that... This sounds like a guy who has a lot of stories that a lot of people aren't buying.

Justin and Travis:

[laugh]

Griffin:

Um, one answerer, uh, Toke Lover, uh, he replied, "He must be allergic to batteries." That's a pretty good theory, I guess. Um—

Justin:

That's why he hasn't been around for a while.

Griffin:

Yeah.

Travis:

I just love that it's not just that Jesus visited once in this case. Jesus just keeps coming back. But I say, "Why don't you have batteries on hand?"

Griffin:

Oh, Jesu, it's so great to... Get the Nikon! Get the Nikon!

Justin:

Ah!

Griffin:

It's outta... Ah, son of a... Ah.

Travis:

I actually like, I think that Jesus knows when it's out of batteries and shows up that moment. He goes, "Hey, everybody!" And then poofs out.

Griffin:

You think Jesus only, you know, stops by at uh, random intervals? No, he waits until you're out of batteries and then he comes to visit you.

Justin:

I actually have used that for a system of when I need to go buy batteries.

Travis:

[laughs]

Griffin:

Jesus, what's up?

Travis:

Oh, hey, Jesus. That time again? Alright.

Griffin:

I gotta get those rechargeables.

Justin:

Your dad, dammit.

Travis:

[laughs]

Justin:

I should've been ready.

Travis:

You got me again, Jesu.

Justin:

You got me again, Jesu. Uh, let's see where we at... What do you think? One more?

Griffin:

Yeah.

Justin:

Yeah, one more. We'll do a short one here. "Do you guys have any suggestions for a diet that will keep me working at the most efficient rate?"
Evan, Gmail.

Griffin:

It sounds like you need robot—

Travis:

I'm sorry.

Griffin:

You need robot components to keep you working at maximum efficiency.

Justin:

Yeah, you need batteries.

Travis:

My suggestion is—

Justin:

You'll never see Jesus.

Travis:

All Subway sandwiches, all the time.

Justin:

Yeah.

Griffin:

That, that would not [crosstalk]—

Justin:

They seem to work really well.

Griffin:

Definitely not. I actually get what he's saying. Like, I, I think that there is a way of eating and taking care of yourself that, um, makes you active. Uh, I haven't, I haven't followed that regimen for awhile.

Justin:

Right. Eat exactly the opposite of what your body is telling you to eat. That seems to be the path to like, proper, proper nutrition. Um, be careful of like, if you get on a, and this... God, we're like the worst people to be asking this question, but... If you have too many carbs and sugars, then your bodies just gonna keep wanting those. Crashing.

Griffin:

Yeah, don't eat candy all day.

Justin:

Don't eat candy all day.

Griffin:

God knows I've had the two-pound bag of Swedish Fish and just like, this is what my day's about now.

Justin:

[laughs] Yeah.

Griffin:

But you're, you're gonna hate it. You're gonna hate how you feel. Um, what you gotta do and what I've been trying to do, I'm trying to train my body up to do lately, is to combine all of my meals into one super big meal that I eat at around 2:00 PM.

Justin:

Super meal. Right.

Griffin:

Super meal. It's, um, I call it brunner, which is—

Justin:

Brunner.

Griffin:

A portmanteau. Uh, and it, it gets... I get all of my food groups in there and it takes about an hour to fully eat. Um—

Justin:

Yeah.

Travis:

And then you sleep for six hours.

Griffin:

And then I sleep for six hours. Wake up at around 9:00 PM, and just live the day out.

Justin:

The weird think about brunner is, uh, or super meal colloquially, is that if you... Griffin needs complete concentration to avoid retching in the middle of it.

Griffin:

Uh-huh [affirmative].

Justin:

That's why if you call Griffin between two and three o'clock, you will just hear protracted vomiting noises.

Griffin:

Uh-huh [affirmative].

Justin:

As he will not be a happy camper.

Griffin:

But that's another, that's another handy skill to have. That's just one of the many benefits that brunner, uh, gives to its, to its users

Justin:

Protracting vomiting or concentration?

Griffin:

Uh, the ability to not vomit when your body—just everything inside your body wants you to. Um, when every organ is working in harmony to try and get you to, to expunge. Um, it's a, it's a—

Travis:

Evan, I think the best suggestion is, think about is this something the McElroy brothers would eat. And if the answer is yes, do not eat it.

Griffin:

Don't eat it.

Travis:

Eat the opposite thing.

Griffin:

Well, let's be more specific. If it's something that Travis would, does regularly eats—

Justin:

Or has in the past.

Griffin:

Or has or is currently eating while you're asking the question, then the answer—

Travis:

Every so often, my lunch consists of eating an entire Papa John's large thin crust pizza in one sitting.

Griffin:

Yes, yes.

Justin:

Every so often.

Griffin:

See, I was joking about, about the super meal. Um, but you really, you really go the whole the nine yards on that. Your problem is that [crosstalk]—

Travis:

I live that dream.

Griffin:

You do super meal, and then you also do mini-meals.

Justin:

[laughs]

Griffin:

At around 10:00 AM and 10:00 PM.

Justin:

Second-brunner. Pre-brunner. I wanna hear—

Travis:

And then a spot of tea.

Justin:

I wanna hear Griffin's last question, but first, uh, couple housekeeping things as always, MBMBAM.com is the address for our website. You can ask us questions there. Please ask us questions. I know you've got them. Nobody gets through life without them. We are going to have new T-shirts. I just got a finalized design for a new design, brand-new design coming. Uh—

Griffin:

It is fresh.

Justin:

It's fresh. Probably be pre-orders in a week or so. Um, but of course, we'll give you the heads-up on that. You can still get our app. *My Brother, My Brother and Me*, the Appspereience. It's on iTunes and there's a link at MBMBAM.com

Griffin:

Oh, I didn't mention it on the show, but there was a little bonus on last week's episode. Uh, it was the full version of the acoustic number, uh that we had at the end of the show, which was... Uh, I can't remember the guy's name who wrote it! John Pa— Paloma? I'm so sorry. I'm sure he's listening and I just butchered his name, but thank you. Um, I'll get his full name and put it in the show notes.

Travis:

Uh, John—

Justin:

A lot of people liked that.

Travis:

Palomba.

Griffin:

Palo— Paloba?

Travis:

P—A—L—O—M—B—A.

Griffin:

Thank you, you guy.

Justin:

You guy. Fella. Um, thank you to people out there, uh, spreading the word, uh, word. I love to see people who just start listening to the show and then they go into like, a show coma and listen to all of them.

Griffin:

[laughs]

Justin:

Like, back-to-back-to-back. Uh, Korey Was Here 1212, that's with a K, uh, said, "I just, uh, I caught up on a..." Uh, no, no, no, no. Um, which one was

Korey? Oh, here it is. Uh, "Just listened to all 25 episodes and this show is amazing." That's Korey Was Here 1212. Just a new listener on board. And, and, and is preaching to the converted. Also, we would be remiss to not mention Eric Smith who is, if all goes according to plan, currently getting a *My Brother, My Brother and Me* tattoo.

Griffin:

God dammit! Don't do it!

Travis:

Yes! Do it! Do it.

Griffin:

Don't do it to yourself.

Travis:

Don't listen to Griffin.

Griffin:

Tattoos are forever.

Travis:

Don't listen to Griffin.

Justin:

If he does it, we're never recording this show ever again, everybody. Just to let you know, this has all been a hilarious, months-long prank on him.

Travis:

[laughs] We'll actually remove all the episodes from the internet, and we'll make it as though it had never existed.

Justin:

Yeah.

Griffin:

Uh, we didn't get too many, didn't get too many voicemails this week. Uh, call and leave us a voicemail at 203—MBMBAM-1. Um, and just like, just like talk to us, I guess. I guess just like talk—

Travis:

Do you feel lonely?

Griffin:

I guess just like talk to us and like tell us about your day and like, just tell us like, I don't know, something about yourself.

Justin:

Anything.

Griffin:

[laughs] Just like, open up.

Travis:

Are you calling? Are you calling right now?

Justin:

Are you calling us right now?

Griffin:

We can wait for you.

Justin:

We were waiting for you. We'll wait. It's not a big deal. Um, thank you guys so much for listening as always, um, and, and we have, uh, a final question. Sort of one to grow on, one to think about over this, this week while we are apart. You and us. Um, and of course we will catch you back next Monday. Um, oh! If you wanna have a listening party. We've got, uh, people, a few people talking about it. Make sure you email us with "listening party" in the subject line. It's MBMBAM@gmail.com and let us know who's gonna be there and we will prerecord something personal for your party. Um, so, so let us know and get in contact that way and we are happy to do it. Um, thanks for spreading the word to everybody and turning your friends on and everything.

Griffin:

Spread it around.

Travis:

Smear it.

Justin:

Spread it like Lou Gehrig's disease. Griffin.

Griffin:

This one was sent in by Cal. Um—

Travis:

Okay.

Griffin:

Who sent in a few real just bang-up questions before. Thank you so much, Cal. Uh, it's by Yahoo Answers user [with emphasis] King Forever. That's all caps, which is why I said it like that.

Justin:

Okay.

Griffin:

Um, King Forever asks, "What is the earliest age that you should use anabolic steroids?"

Justin:

[laughs] I'm 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.

[ending theme song plays and ends]