MBMBaM 31: Husky Eyes

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Intro (Bob Ball):

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

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

Justin:

Give me what I need. What do I nee— give me inspiration.

Travis:

Turducken.

Griffin:

Let me think...

Justin:

Turduck— ... oh, yeah [laughs].

One.

Travis:

[laughs].

Justin:

[laughs]. Three-

Griffin:

You can do it.

Justin:

... two, one, and turducken.

Travis:

[laughs].

Justin:

[laughs].

Griffin:

[laughs].

Justin:

Turducken. Uh [laughs], it's, it's *My Brother, My Brother and Me*, it's an advice show for the modern era. I am, uh, Justin McElroy, here three days out from Thanksgiving, the giving of thanks.

Travis:

I am Travis McElroy, the duck in the turducken.

Griffin:

I am Griffin McElroy, the salmonella left over-

Justin:

[laughs].

Griffin:

... in the pan, bing-bong!

Justin:

DJ Salmonella would be good DJ name.

Travis:

It would be.

Griffin:

Mm-hmm [affirmative].

Justin:

Don't you think? Uh, so, so this is an advice show for the modern era, in case you're a first timer. Uh, and I know we do have some listening this very week, so know that you are in the presence of those whose eyes, ears, hearts, mouths and throats are about to be opened to wisdom.

Griffin:

Ugh, I do— I didn't like that at all.

Travis:

Every-

Justin:

Did you not like that?

Travis:

... orifice open to wisdom.

Griffin:

I like this zero.

Travis:

No orifice off limits.

Justin:

I don't think [laughs] a— what we're saying is, we don't have enough prongs between us to fill all of the orifices with wisdom.

Griffin:

I do not care for this one bit.

Justin:

Yeah. Do you have an o-a, a crevasse that is not being filled with wisdom?

Travis:

Can you feel my wisdom inside in?

Griffin:

Let's get to questions.

Justin:

[laughs].

Griffin:

One, question one.

Justin:

Don't be itchy [laughs].

Travis:

[laughs].

Justin:

It's just wisdom.

Travis:

It's just a-

Justin:

Kit writes, "I recently broke up with my boyfriend and I'm in a weird situation, we dated four years and the thing is he still wants to be friends and I somehow do too. After breaking up, I naturally realized all of the bad qualities he had. I finally realized I'm a much better person than he is, but not being friends with him seems like it might leave a big hole in my life. What should I do? Is this natural? Like I said, this is only my second breakup. Should I just suck it up and continue to be his friend?" says Kit.

Griffin:

Hm.

Justin:

Oh, friends after the breakup.

Griffin:

[crosstalk].

Ca- Ca- Can't, can't, doesn't really happen.

Griffin:

Nope.

Justin:

Here's the thing, if you try to maintain a relationship with him right now, especially right now, um, all you're, you're just gonna fall in the same patterns. You, you broke up for a reason and a— most of dating is spending time with each other, right?

Griffin:

Sure.

Justin:

Like, that ... Yeah, right? So-

Griffin:

Yeah, I mean, in theory, yeah, it works out, right?

Justin:

Yeah, right.

Griffin:

You spent time with people, that's how you become friends.

Justin:

Mm-hmm [affirmative].

Travis:

Well, and I think, but I think-

Griffin:

But-

Travis:

... that that, you just used a phrase that's very important to this, which is you can't y— think of the phrase "We should stay friends," you need to become friends, 'cause you're not friends right now.

Justin:

Too true. And you don't, and you can't do that right away. Y— There's the temptation, I get it, th— they are gonna leave a hole in your life, but you gotta remember that that's a, that's a boyfriend-shaped hole, it's not a him-shaped hole. We've talked about this before, you're not looking for ... you, you don't miss the person, you miss the, the relationship and you can't just have that back by being friends, it doesn't, it doesn't work like that.

Travis:

And you also-

Griffin:

When did we ever talk about this before? [laughs]. Did, did-

Justin:

[crosstalk].

Griffin:

... one of us write a book called boyfriend-shaped hole? 'Cause that, that sounds like a national best seller waiting to happen.

Justin:

It does, right? Um, no, I mean, we talked about how people, you know, they don't miss the person as much as they miss the relationship.

Griffin:

Yeah, sure.

Justin:

Um—

Travis:

And you also need to be careful, because being that close with him immediately afterwards can get in the way of you moving on, can get in the way of you getting over this breakup because you're seeing him all the time and still hanging out, so all these thi— uh, feelings are lingering and, you know, cut ties 'til you're ready to be friends. You know, you don't suck it up, you know, like—

Justin:

Mm-hmm [affirmative].

Travis:

... there's no rush on this.

Justin:

You do def— time is the, is the most important thing. You really can't rush back into anyth— any kind of relationship with him. You gotta figure out the two of you alone by yourselves and not, not together before you can really make any sort of dent in, like, a friendship-type situation. And, like, if you're a better person than thing and, and, and it's th— that sort of thing, then you probably don't need a friendship with him. I mean, I know that's kind of harsh, but if he, he sucks, right?

Griffin:

Yeah, there are plenty on this planet that you can be friends with, like us.

Justin:

Too ma- t- like, we're your new boyfriends [laughs].

Travis:

[laughs]. Well, I don't, I don't know about all that, um-

Justin:

I'm your new boyfriend.

Travis:

[laughs]. Th- Okay.

Justin:

Justin McElroy, half-husband-

Travis:

[laughs].

Justin:

... half-boyfriend, all-podcast.

Travis:

[laughs].

Justin:

Uh [laughs], so hopefully that will be very, very helpful to you and I hope that that makes, uh, a lot of sense. Now, we got another question coming from Formspring, uh, Formspring, do wanna remind you though, if you do use Formspring, go ahead and throw a name in there, even if it's a pseudonym.

Travis:

Especially if it's a pseudonym.

Justin:

Especially if it's a clever pseudonym. "Aside from getting my sexy right, how could I parlay my relationship as the smartest guy in my high school into dating successes?" Can't [laughs].

Travis:

[laughs].

Griffin:

Can't do it.

Justin:

Can't do it, gotta get rich.

Griffin:

Why don't you use your big, your big brain and figure this one out by yourself there, nerdo?

Travis:

[laughs].

Justin:

[laughs]. Hey, Poindexter, just-

Griffin:

Hey, Quinton, why don't you go ahead and use your brain juice, why don't you go ahead and flex—

Justin:

You're so smart.

Griffin:

... why don't you go ahead and flex that gray matter and get yourself a girlfriend, nerd.

Justin:

You're so smart, nerd, figure it out [laughs].

Griffin:

[laughs].

Justin:

Brainiac. No, you can't, though.

Griffin:

You can't do it, though.

Justin:

Um, can't do it th— if they, if they, if girls like to be into smart guys, they wouldn't call 'em lonely smart guys, they call 'em, like, baseball players or something.

Travis:

Unless-

Justin:

[crosstalk]. Unless-

Griffin:

Unless-

Travis:

... your school has an awesome quiz bowl team and you can take 'em to state.

Griffin:

Okay.

Justin:

Quiz bowl king, I love it.

Griffin:

Yeah. That, that addendum was unnecessary because such a thing cannot, does not exist.

Justin:

[laughs]. Um-

Travis:

[laughs]. Y— You get a quiz bowl letterman's—

Griffin:

I-

Travis:

... jacket.

Griffin:

I don't know, there's-

Justin:

[laughs].

Griffin:

... going to see the quiz bowl just really gets me quiverin' in my loins.

Travis:

[laughs].

Justin:

Yeah, definitely.

Griffin:

Just seeing 'em work it, it's like, um, like, youth *Jeopardy*, like, rock hard.

Travis:

[laughs].

Justin:

Rock hard.

Griffin:

Rock hard.

Travis:

If you could do-

Justin:

Rock hard.

Travis:

... if you could do a triple crown of, like, quiz bowl champion, spelling bee winner and mathlete supreme, you've got it.

Griffin:

Mm-hmm [affirmative]. Sure, just wear that golden-

Justin:

Uh—

Griffin:

... horseshoe around your neck.

Travis:

Yeah.

Griffin:

What's up?

Justin:

Now, the, the problem with this is, of course, you, you can't, you can't, uh, you, you can't be attractive and be smart, not at your age.

Griffin:

Not in high, not, especially not in high school.

Travis:

Nope.

Justin:

Not in high school. Now, in college-

Griffin:

In, in college, you will find groups of equally intelligent people that you can mingle with—

Justin:

Yeah.

Griffin:

... and then your, you know, being the, the leader of the pack, um, will, will, you know, allow you more leverage in that department. But in high school, that, that ship's sailed, dog.

Justin:

Yeah, you are gonna be, when you get to college though, you're gonna be leather elbow patch deep in vagina.

Travis:

[laughs].

Justin:

But right now-

Griffin:

[crosstalk].

Travis:

... nope, nope.

Griffin:

[crosstalk].

Travis:

Nope.

Justin:

Yeah—

Griffin:

Um—

Travis:

The only thing I can recommend right now is to try to start practicing your acerbic wit, um—

Justin:

Yeah.

Travis:

 \ldots and so that way, by the time you get to college, you've got it perfected. Um—

Justin:

You've already got withering barbs-

Travis:

Yeah.

Justin:

... lined up.

Travis:

That's the best way—

Griffin:

[laughs]

Travis:

... to go.

Griffin:

Well, wai— well, wait a minute, I mean, maybe things, uh, it's been a while since any of us have been in high school, like, maybe things, like, you know, how [crosstalk]—

Justin:

Wait, e— enrolled in high school or been in a high school, kind of lurkin' around?

Travis:

[laughs].

Griffin:

Um, enrolled and taking classes in high school.

Justin:

Okay.

Griffin:

Appropriate high school age. Um, young people always, you know, emulate the things that their cooler, older friends or friends of siblings do, right? So, maybe, like, high school now is college for us and maybe being a, like, a witty smartass is, is, you know, hot shit now.

Travis:

Yeah.

Justin:

So, what you're saying is, what you're saying is now that all of us are older, too old for high school—

Griffin:

Mm-hmm [affirmative].

Justin:

 \ldots we should go back and act like we're attracted to smart guys so that'll be a new thing.

Travis:

Yep.

Griffin:

In high school.

Justin:

That's what you're saying, we should go to all the high schools-

Griffin:

I'm saying all of us should get really intelligent 17-year-old boyfriends.

Justin:

[laughs].

Travis:

[laughs].

Justin:

He's our new boyfriend now, not-

Griffin:

[crosstalk]—

... we, we're his new boyfriend and he is, in turn, our new boyfriend, is that what you're saying?

Griffin:

I'm just-

Justin:

I'm having a hard time pa— keeping up [laughs].

Griffin:

No, no, you're right on it.

Justin:

Okay [laughs], I did understand-

Griffin:

You're right on the money.

Justin:

... that correctly. You think we should start a new-

Griffin:

I'm saying-

Justin:

... craze of being into smart guys.

Travis:

Yep.

Griffin:

I'm saying keeping the smartest guy in your high school, because you're gonna, it's gonna pay dividends way bigger than, you know, awkward high school relationships. You're gonna go to a good college, you're gonna learn a lot and, you know, you're just gonna have, you're gonna enrich yourself. And really in the end—

Okay.

Griffin:

... I, I just finished Malcolm Glad— Gladwell's *Outliers*, like, you're just, you're gonna be the next Bill Gates, I can tell, Formspring.

Travis:

And, yeah—

Griffin:

You got nothing to worry about.

Travis:

... and I'm gonna give just a last, last answer here. Two words, Weird Science, check it out.

Griffin:

There it is.

Travis:

I'm not gonna say anything else-

Griffin:

Check it out.

Travis:

... just check it out.

Justin:

Weird Science, check-

Griffin:

I'm gonna—

Justin:

... it out.

Griffin:

I got a Yahoo.

Justin:

Break it off.

Griffin:

I actually have, like, nine Yahoo's.

Justin:

Should we explain, Yahoo Answers is a web service, we do not solicit these questions, but we do find them, kind of, it's like, kind of like a, a, uh, an air-drop of wisdom—

Griffin:

Mm.

Justin:

... that, that no one requested.

Griffin:

Um, here's one that was sent in by, get this, Lavitica Sutherland.

Justin:

Mm, yes!

Griffin:

Have you ever-

Travis:

Oh, God!

Griffin:

... heard a name cooler than that?

Travis:

I just choked on water.

Sorry, Max, sorry, Max Jackman, you done been bumped.

Griffin:

You got bumped—

Justin:

Nah, Max, you're cool.

Griffin:

... for this. [crosstalk].

Travis:

Could you say that name one more time?

Griffin:

[crosstalk]. Lavitica Sutherland.

Travis:

Oh, Jesus.

Griffin:

It sounds like an 18th century detective.

Travis:

Yeah.

Justin:

God, that's hot. I wanna, I wanna write a book now, so I can have a lead character named that.

Griffin:

Um, this question was asked by Yahoo Answers user, Nat Ilf, who asked, "What is the heaviest babby to ever be birthed?"

Travis:

Jesus.

Nuh-uh, really? Again with the "babby"?

Griffin:

Again with the babby. Um, uh, fucking cut it out. Um, she, she goes on to ask, "I am pregnate, due on Christmas and the doctors say my babby is very heavy. I think they said he was gonna be 175 pounds."

Travis:

[laughs].

Justin:

[laughs]. What?

Griffin:

"Can I, can I do anything to make my babby smaller? I am really worried about the labor." Bitch, you should be.

Travis:

[laughs].

Justin:

[laughs]. Yeah, it's gonna be a wicked labor.

Griffin:

[laughs]. It's gonna be-

Justin:

Wow!

Griffin:

... you will most certainly die. Your, your-

Justin:

Your—

Griffin:

... lower section will open u— it will bloom like a flower when you pass that 175-pound man—

Justin:

[laughs].

Travis:

[laughs].

Griffin:

... through your lady tubes.

Justin:

A full-grown man [laughs]. Let's be honest, this guy's wearing her like an [unintelligible] tube right now.

Travis:

[laughs].

Justin:

He's just walking around with his mom around his waist.

Travis:

[laughs].

Griffin:

Sure.

Justin:

It's, it's, it's vulgar.

Travis:

He's already applying for jobs, it's pretty awful. Oh, God.

Justin:

Yeah [laughs].

Griffin:

So, is this like an early—

Justin:

God.

Griffin:

... onset, early onset, like, Jack disease-

Justin:

You think the-

Griffin:

... is that what's going on here?

Justin:

... you think the job market is tough right now [laughs]—

Travis:

[laughs].

Justin:

... try going in with your mom with her skin stretched out all around your, your hands and feet.

Griffin:

I see a human face sticking out of your chest, like, through the skin, what is going on in you?

Justin:

We're both applying [laughs].

Travis:

[laughs].

Justin:

You hire—

Travis:

Competing [laughs].

Justin:

... you hire both of us or you hire neither of us unless it's a very compelling offer and then I, I, I will consider a late-term abortion [laughs].

Travis:

[laughs].

Justin:

Although, you know what, you know what, conservatives, that is one area where if you abort a full-grown man, I think I can get on board with you, that should be a crime.

Travis:

[laughs].

Justin:

When does cons— when does life begin? I think once you have stubble—

Travis:

[laughs].

Griffin:

[laughs].

Justin:

... I think that's the [crosstalk].

Travis:

At six feet.

Justin:

Life has officially begun. At si- yeah.

Griffin:

Sure.

Life begins at six feet [laughs].

Griffin:

I mean, what can the, let's, let's apply some, some rationale to this, okay?

Justin:

Uh, for a change.

Griffin:

What cou— what the fuck kind of, like, miscommunication has this woman had with her doctor? Like, is there enough, like, a metric, maybe 175 ounces? But even that, that's a hefty-ass baby, right?

Justin:

And nobody uses numbers like that!

Travis:

All I can think is, like-

Justin:

Nobody's like, "How much does that, how much does this car weigh?"

"Like, a billion grams."

Travis:

[laughs].

Griffin:

How mu- in fluid ounces-

Justin:

Yeah.

Griffin:

... how many, how, how big's my babe? How 'bout this, maybe she is preg-"pregnate" in the UK and the, like, the doctors bill was 175 pounds.

Travis:

Oh.

Justin:

Okay. I li— I think that that could be possible, except everybody in the UK knows how to spell baby, I would imagine.

Travis:

Mm-hmm [affirmative].

Griffin:

Mm. Well-

Travis:

With, with an E.

Griffin:

 \ldots oh shit, maybe this is a regional thing. Maybe this is, like, you know, like—

Travis:

In the land of giants.

Griffin:

... [crosstalk] Fawlty Towers, like, they spell it wrong.

Travis:

Right.

Griffin:

Yeah.

Justin:

[laughs] Uh, how ba— I don't even care about the miscomm— like, how bad have you been at weights your whole life—

Travis:

[laughs].

Justin:

... that you don't ... like, that doesn't immediately, like, "Whoa, did you say 175? That sounds like, like a hefty person."

Griffin:

You, you only weigh 130 pounds.

Justin:

Right.

Griffin:

You physically can't, you physically cannot have that in you and weigh as much as you weigh.

Travis:

Unless her baby is composed of black matter. Like, this is my baby-

Griffin:

Unless your baby—

Travis:

... Dark Matter.

Griffin:

... unless your urethra is a TARDIS-

Justin:

[laughs].

Griffin:

... there is literally no way that you could have that in you.

It's like, no, it's like the genie bottle, you see [laughs].

Griffin:

And I just said urethra as if that was some kind of body part that's involved in the passing of babies through humans.

Travis:

[laughs].

Justin:

That is in fact the, like, the tube that a man's, uh, urine goes out, right?

Travis:

[laughs].

Griffin:

Ladies have 'em, like, don't ladies have 'em too? Like, [crosstalk].

Justin:

Uh, I don't know. Anybody know a doctor?

Griffin:

[laughs].

Justin:

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Um, uh, so, the u— the urethra is where your baby is [laughs], so [crosstalk]—
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Griffin:

You're gonna pee out that 175-pound baby through your ure-

Travis:

[laughs].

Griffin:

... urethra, and it's gonna be the worst day of your life.

Yeah.

Griffin:

Enjoy that, Ilf, you're a dead woman.

Travis:

[laughs].

Justin:

If you ha— if you wanna reduce the size of your 175-pound baby, just go through a narrow door frame and run in really quickly.

Travis:

[laughs].

Justin:

You should knocking somethin' off, I think it would help. Uh, b— "I'm in love with a girl, and I've been thinking about asking her out for a while now. She is a female human, not a goose. I'm about 95% sure she loves me, so I know she'll say yes. The only problem is my friends dislike her and they think she's ugly," [laughs], "and they don't know why I talk to her. If I," uh, honesty, so important in a relationship—

Travis:

[laughs].

Justin:

... uh, "If I date her, all my friends will surely give me hell about it. Do I ask her out like I want to? Do I not date her because it would make my friends happy? Help me, brothers."

Griffin:

G- Gmail. Jamal.

Travis:

Yep.

There's, there's some *problems* I have with this, some, some gaps I feel like are in the story that make it hard to give advising.

Griffin:

Mm.

Justin:

Sh— He's in love with her, and yet he's been thinking about asking her out. Ooh, ooh, I don't know about love, then. Uh, he—

Travis:

That instantly makes me think that he's, like, 14.

Griffin:

Yeah.

Justin:

Maybe ei- eight.

Travis:

Okay.

Justin:

Eight years old.

Griffin:

Let's not despair.

Travis:

And your friends dislike her 'cause she has cooties.

Justin:

Yeah. No, I, I, obviously, if you think there's a real chance at love, real chance, then you, you gotta take it. You always wa— if there's a, a, a number one in the, in the *MBMBaM* book of wisdom, after "pack your bags and move away—"

Griffin:

[crosstalk]

Justin:

... it's, it's "if there's a chance at love, take it."

Travis:

But I also think, I think we have an opportunity here where we get those questions where it's like, "My friend just started dating a girl, she's absolutely horrible, we can't stand her, do we—" like, we have a chance now to look at this from the other side of the coin and say, you know, maybe you're ignoring these things that your friends see and you're, you know, focusing on the good qualities and you need to flash-forward to, like, three months from now—

Griffin:

I love it.

Travis:

 \ldots where she ends every sentence with the word "what," you know, and it's like, "I can't stand—"

Justin:

[laughs].

Travis:

"... you anymore."

Justin:

Uh, Tr—

Griffin:

You're gettin' in on that, you're gettin' down on that future hypothetical time travel train.

Travis:

Yep.

Griffin:

I'm all about that. You're saying-

Justin:

Uh—

Griffin:

... we can stop this problem that will be a problem in the future and the past is if we were from the future.

Justin:

No, I have a huge problem with this from a sustainability perspective. If people don't keep making mistakes, where do we get questions from, okay? We can't, we can't preemptively keep people from ruining their lives, they gotta ruin their lives and then come to us.

Travis:

That's fair.

Griffin:

Okay. You're right, you're right.

Justin:

So-

Travis:

Do it.

Justin:

... I guess what I'm saying is, go for it [laughs].

Travis:

Um, I, I think that you need to realize that you're, you're faced with either you lose, uh, this girl or you lose your friendships, because you're going in—

Griffin:

But if your—

Travis:

... you can't not know that your friends don't like her, like, you can't ignore that from here on in. So, any time you all hang out together, you know, you, you're gonna know that they don't want her there.

Griffin:

But, um, I will say that if your friends all dislike her and continue to dislike her after you date her because they think she's ugly, fuck 'em!

Travis:

Yeah.

Justin:

Yeah, fuck 'em! I, I, I know one of your friends that's gettin' their smooch on and that's you [laughs], going to Smooch-berg every weekend night underneath the bleachers, and what are your friends doin'? They're all sad, reading the new *Harry Potter* and crying themselves to sleep, and you're getting your smoo— you're going to Sooch— Smoochville, gettin' the smooch goin'. Is that what you do in high school?

Travis:

Yep.

Justin:

Smooch?

Griffin:

Mm-hmm [affirmative].

Travis:

You smooch a lot.

Justin:

[crosstalk].

Griffin:

You become the mayor of Smooch Town.

You become the mayor of Smooch Town and you get your smooch goin'. So, I guess what we're saying is, um, s— smooch her.

Travis:

Yeah.

Griffin:

Just smooch her, silly.

Justin:

Smooch her, you goose. Uh, "Hey, brothers." Hey. Uh, "I, I watch a lot of films, and there's always someone that has to ruin the experience by asking questions or trying to guess the ending. It is really annoying, so what's the best way to shut them up?" God, I hate that! Ugh! Oh, that makes me so angry. I wish I knew.

Travis:

What's fun is growing up, our, our dad used to do this thing where he didn't guess the ending, but he would just go, "Oh," and nod his head about, like, 15 minutes into the movie and, like, I knew that he had just figured out what was gonna happen 15 minutes in and I'd be sitting there going, "What? What did I mi— what is it? What, uh, uh," and then the whole movie, I was just trying to figure out how my dad was so much smarter than I was.

Justin:

Yeah, he, i— it's uncanny. Um, now, as far as actually, uh, God, that's so tough because i— it's hard to not do it and not look like a, a jerk hole, to say, like, "Excuse me, whatever you're saying, this movie is more important."

Travis:

Mm-hmm [affirmative].

Justin:

But I think you had to do it once-

Travis:

Yeah.

Justin:

... or else you're gonna live your life like that [laughs].

Travis:

Well, and also-

Griffin:

I think this is really one of those, this is one of those situations that can only be fixed - and I, I rarely, if ever, condone this, this approach - but you gotta be as passive aggressive as humanely possible about, because if you come out, then you're a jerk who ruined movie night. Um, but if you, if you sigh, like, really hard when they ask questions, but not too hard?

Justin:

I got it, I got it, I got it, I got it, keep the remote control in your hand and when as soon as they start talking, pause it.

Travis:

Yeah, that is a good one.

Justin:

And, and give them their f— give them your full attention.

Travis:

Now, if you're in a movie theater, like, this isn't a movie night, this is, like, out in public, paid for a ticket movie theater, the power of a withering glance cannot be ignored. Like, if they're sitting right behind you, just do a slow burn around, stare them full in the face and then turn back around.

Griffin:

Is there anything more infuriating than, than infractions on, on, like, moviegoing etiquette?

Justin:

No.

Griffin:

It is the most frustrating thing on the planet. I, I went to the new *Harry Potter* movie yesterday and sat next to, um, this irresponsibly overweight family—

Travis:

[laughs].

Griffin:

... that, uh, would, like, would not budge when I had to go use the restroom 'cause that movie is four days long, like, I had to use the restroom because I'm a human and I process fluid and food through my body and sometimes I have to go to the bathroom, and these fuckers, like, wouldn't move their legs for me, like, just looked at me—

Justin:

Ugh.

Griffin:

... while I walked by. Like, just kept their big, horrible, fat shanks, like, just sticking out in the aisle like—

Travis:

[laughs].

Griffin:

... "Argh, climb 'em!" like I was in fucking football training camp.

Travis:

[laughs].

Justin:

[laughs].

Griffin:

And then, like, would not stop talking throughout the movie, but now saying anything insightful but, like, a character would die, and they'd be like,

"Really?" What are you adding to my experience other than, I guess, increasing my dexterity by not moving your big—

Travis:

[laughs].

Griffin:

... stupid trunks?

Travis:

[laughs].

Griffin:

It, it makes, I'm still angry about it. I've been angry about it for 48 hours.

Justin:

Here's what you do, next time you're next to a fat person who won't shut up, just lean over halfway through the movie and say, "If you say one more word, I'm gonna slit your throat open and drink your neck jelly."

Travis:

[laughs].

Griffin:

Drink your neck butter, you big, fat-

Justin:

I'm gonna dr-

Griffin:

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... awful creep.
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Justin:

Would drink your fuckin' neck jelly, you weirdo. Ugh, God, that's irritating. I would rather, I would rather hang out with racists—

Griffin:
Mm-hmm [affirmative].

Justin:

... and people who cut line in traffic than people who talk in a movie theater.

Griffin:

Yeah.

Justin:

It's just so clearly not what you do.

Travis:

Well, 'cause it's self-centered. It's like, it's ignoring everyone else's experience.

Justin:

Yep, exactly, exactly. It's, it's convincing yourself that you're the only person on Earth having an experience.

Travis:

'Cause you know it's annoying. Like, there's no way you can ignore the fact that you're interrupting everyone else's experience. But you're just—

Justin:

Yeah.

Travis:

... like, "Fuck it, I paid for a ticket too." Yeah, but so did all those people. You have just ruined, like, \$20 for everyone in the theater.

Justin:

We're not really helping.

Travis:

I know, um [laughs]—

Griffin:

We're commiserating, which is a way of helping.

Justin:

It, it is, sometimes it's all you need. That is annoying. You know what, if, if, if, if someone is talking and you can tell people around you are getting irritated, stand up and say, "Shut up—"

Travis:

Yeah.

Justin:

"... we're watching a movie," and you will be a hero.

Travis:

'Cause the thing is, just know that everyone in the theater is thinking the exact same thing and wishing someone would say something and but, like, everyone's like, "I don't know, I don't ..." And if you say it, you are going to be met with silent applause—

Justin:

Yeah. And—

Travis:

... 'cause they don't want to disrupt the movie.

Griffin:

Yeah, but then you read those, those things in the newspaper, it's like, "man gets stabbed to death with, like, trimming, like, hedge trimming scissors in a movie theater because he stood up to the, the theater bully."

Travis:

[laughs].

Griffin:

Like—

Justin:

[crosstalk].

Griffin:

... it happens because it's dark and anonymous and you can just, you can just stab people to death in there and, like, it doesn't matter. That's why everyone's afraid, that's why nobody speaks up.

Justin:

Griffin, can I tell you something right now? And you know I love you-

Griffin:

Mm.

Justin:

... and you're my brother, my blood, I love you.

Griffin:

Are, are you gonna make fun of me for saying hedge sheering trimme scissors?

Justin:

[laughs]. No.

Griffin:

'Cause I couldn't think of what they're called [laughs].

Justin:

No, I wanna tell you - later, remind me after the show, I'll do that. Uh, right now I need to tell you that you're lettin' the terrorists win. Uh—

Griffin:

But it's not terrorists, Justin.

Justin:

They are, no, they're terrorists.

Griffin:

It's not terrorists, it's, it's you and me, it's n— it's you, it's not you and me 'cause obviously we have sense in our goddamn heads, but, like, it's people like you and me, it's Americans.

Justin:

People who talk in a movie theater, someone stands up to them and then they kill them, they're a terrorist, that's what they're doing. They're striking fear for all those people who, who, uh, wanna talk in movie theaters. Now they get a free pass 'cause some dumbass killed somebody one time.

Travis:

Yep.

Griffin:

It's more than once.

Justin:

You know what? Oh, shit, equal and opposite reaction, you gotta kill somebody, gotta do it.

Griffin:

Kill somebody for talking in a movie theater, the fear will balance out the fear.

Travis:

That's fair.

Justin:

Yeah.

Travis:

I also tell you, if you do a movie night at home and you kill the first person that speaks [laughs], I guarantee you won't have that problem anymore.

Justin:

No more movie nights-

Griffin:

So-

Justin:

... for you.

Griffin:

Boo-ya. See, a— this, this whole thing was panning for gold. You thought we weren't gonna help this person, well, we did. Kill 'em. Kill the person who talks.

Justin:

Kill them, murder-

Travis:

Straight up murder time.

Justin:

Yeah, and nobody talks in jail in movies-

Travis:

[laughs].

Justin:

... 'cause there are no movies in jail. That's a fact.

Griffin:

Yahoo Answers, Yahoo Answers, this one was sent in by Clayton A., Yahoo Answers user Joe asks, "Best Four Loko flavor?" I feel like it's time for us to address this.

Justin:

Okay.

Griffin:

Uh, Joe asks, "So, I just darned a cranberry lemonade and then a blue raspberry and then a watermelon. I'm about to drive to the store to get another. What flavor should I get?" [laughs].

Travis:

[laughs]. Uh-

Justin:

How 'bout-

Griffin:

How 'bout-

Justin:

... hospital flavor?

Griffin:

... dead? [laughs].

Travis:

Flavor of what?

Justin:

Yeah. Four Loko.

Griffin:

B- Travis, do you not, are you not-

Justin:

Are you, like, in a bubble?

Travis:

What is that?

Justin:

Are you a bubble boy?

Travis:

Apparently.

Justin:

Four Loko is like, um, I don't know, locally we have Sparks, I don't know if you—

Griffin:

Oh, it's—

Travis:

Oh.

Griffin:

... so much worse than that, though.

Justin:

Is it worse than Sparks?

Griffin:

Yeah.

Justin:

It's like that, they just, the FDA just said they're, Four Loko is illegal. People call it a blackout in a can.

Travis:

Oh

Justin:

Yeah.

Griffin:

Travis and I, um, we make a beverage, I don't know if we've talked about it on the show before, the, $\mathsf{uh}-$

Travis:

[crosstalk].

Griffin:

... the Trash, the Trash [crosstalk].

Travis:

I'm, I'm almost afraid, I'm afraid to talk about it, Griffin. I'm afraid to unleash it.

Griffin:

I feel like we shouldn't, like, we almost shouldn't talk about it because we're gonna get imitators and then someone will almost certainly die and then that shit will be on us. Um, anyways, here goes—

Travis:

Let's say hypothetically, but not *not* encouraged to do this.

Griffin:

Don't do it at all, but it— it's really cheap and it gets you real fucked up. Uh, you take a, a 40-ounce malt liquor, drink it to the label, refill it with an energy beer and then you drink that whole thing, you drink the entire production. Um—

Travis:

It costs you, like, six dollars and six years of your life.

Griffin:

Yeah.

Justin:

[laughs].

Griffin:

Uh, it, it, I, I imagine it's the same thing as a Four Loko, but I, I can't imagine anything being more, um, I don't know, horrible than a Trash Monkey, so that's why I, I don't, I buy into this—

Justin:

Um—

Griffin:

... whole Four Loko fervor.

Okay.

Travis:

Let me tell you though, th— the Trash Monkey, it sounds gross and it is, um, but I am a gentleman—

Justin:

Well, it sounds like it's racist-

Travis:

... with a strong-

Justin:

... is it racist?

Travis:

No, no, no.

Griffin:

No, no.

Travis:

No, no, no. This i— it's beautiful.

Griffin:

I—

Travis:

Um, I am a man with a strong tolerance, I can't handle two of them, like, two of them puts me on my ass, like, you only need one. It's the most beautiful drink. Don't ever drink it, don't do it.

Griffin:

Don't ever drink it. In fact, don't drink Four Loko, don't drink Sparks, don't drink e— [sighs] [crosstalk]—

Travis:

I've never understood the logic of an energy beer, like, "Man, I wanna get real fucked up and also real coherent."

Justin:

I-

Travis:

Like—

Justin:

The thing about it is that your body has one defense against not drinking itself to death and that's sleepy time, it's your—

Griffin:

[laughs].

Justin:

 \dots it's your body sa— wrestling you to the ground saying, "All right, dummy, we're done. The night is over." A— And Four Loko, like, disengages that whole situation.

Travis:

It's taken the safety off.

Justin:

Yeah.

Travis:

It's not good.

Justin:

So I get—

Griffin:

You know what else disengages that whole situation? Cocaine. Like, yeah-

Travis:

[laughs].

Griffin:

... this, it's six in one, half dozen in the other, except one has kind of a fun name.

Travis:

That's true.

Griffin:

Like—

Justin:

Cocaine is a fun name.

Griffin:

It is a fun name.

Justin:

It's fun to say and to drink.

Griffin:

Just, I think that you, you guys need to start taking care of yourselves, and by you guys, I mean anyone who's ever drank a Four Loko.

Travis:

[laughs].

Justin:

You're better than that.

Griffin:

You're better than that! Like, drinking is such a wonderful experience that, that is classy and, like, I, I feel like this is the, the complete, like, opposite of classy.

Sometimes things go bad when you're drinkin' all night and it's like, oh, man, that didn't go so ... so, most of the time you have a great experience, sometimes you have a bad experience, but, like, Four Loko is, like, in— like, actively s— saying, like, this is going to be a disaster, like, this is going to be a wreck.

Travis

If—

Justin:

This is gonna be a bad night.

Travis:

It seems like the kind of thing that if you were with a friend, they should be honor bound to smack it out of your hand.

Justin:

Yeah.

Griffin:

Yeah.

Justin:

Don't let your, friends don't let friends drink Four Loko.

Travis:

Four Loko.

Justin:

They stop them.

Griffin:

Unless they're, like, party friends.

Justin:

Unless they wanna get down, like, if you wanna get down, you-

Griffin:

If you wanna get down, fuck it, let's do some whippets and headbutt each other.

Justin:

[laughs].

Griffin:

But, like, let's not waste money on Four Loko.

Justin:

Let's fuckin' put some, uh, football helmets on and hit each other with bowling pins to mix it up.

Griffin:

Yeah.

Justin:

Chop it out.

Griffin:

And do, and do whippet, god damn it, I need a whippet right now.

Justin:

Uh, how 'bout instead of a whippet, I give you a—

Travis:

Why do you want a dog?

Justin:

... give you a question? "Uh, many of—"

Griffin:

Okay.

Justin:

"... our good friends have been getting engaged recently. I'm happy for them, but the idea of being engaged right now really freaks me out. I'm in a relationship and my boyfriend has started talking about us getting engaged. Uh, I've explained my commitment phobia, but I fear he will ask soon anyway." That's real love [laughs]. "I love him, so I should s— should I say yes even though I'm terrified? Potential Runaway Bride, Gmail."

Griffin:

Oh, that's good. That's encouraging.

Travis:

This con- this question confuses me.

Griffin:

Why's that?

Travis:

Well, just 'cause, like, it seems like she doesn't understand the commitment she's making while stating she's afraid of commitment. Like, "If he asks, should I just say yes even though I don't really want to?" No, it's a pretty big deal to say yes.

Justin:

Yeah, like, you fully shouldn't do that [laughs].

Griffin:

[laughs].

Justin:

Like, yeah, definitely not that.

Griffin:

Not at all.

Travis:

This, it's not a placeholder bookmark that you can back out of later, you know? Just like, "Yes?"

Griffin:

She's not saying she doesn't want to, though. She's saying she's terrified. You can be terrified of things that are good for you, like the dentist.

Justin:

I, I think you need to walk this whole idea back and figure out what it is that's scaring you so much, because you know what, it may be, it, it may be that you just ... I, I don't wan— I'm not gonna cast dispersions on your relationship, your, this person may be great, it may be that you're, you're not looking forward to spending your lifetime with them. That may not be it, there are many reasons you could be terrified. But just to be sort of, um, randomly terrified of it, like, to, to just be scared of commitment, um, without a real reason to, um, might mean that there's something else going on in there, in the old heart.

Griffin:

Well, what, what if it's simpler than that? What if she just sees her friends getting ... a, a, a great deal of my friends have gotten engaged this past year, like, a *lot* of them, I would say probably 90% of my high school graduating class, um, and, like, I see them together, I'm like, that's such a wicked bad idea, like, not, not the idea of getting engaged in general, but just you two together, nuh-uh [negative], like, the worst idea. So, maybe, maybe you're afraid that people will look at you like that or maybe you'll afraid you'll, you'll be like that.

Justin:

Mm.

Griffin:

Um, which I guess makes sense. You just gotta be confident in your own, and what you got goin' and can't compare to, to your friends.

Travis:

I think step one-

Griffin:

I, I would say don't, don't let that factor into it at all, don't let the i— the idea that all of your friends are getting engaged, don't let that, that has absolutely no bearing on your situation.

Justin:

Mm-hmm [affirmative]. Mm-hmm [affirmative].

Travis:

I, I think step one is you need to talk to your boyfriend and be like, "Hey, straight up, remember two weeks ago when I said that I wasn't ready to get engaged? Keep that in mind, that hasn't changed."

Justin:

Mm-hmm [affirmative].

Travis:

"That is not something you need to bring up again right now. I'll let you know when the time is right, but it is not now."

Justin:

Yeah. This is one of those weird situations where your, you having that fear should sort of preclude the discussion. Like, i— if you're terrified of commitment and you express this to your BF, and he still asks you to get married, that may not be, like, he, he may not be ready. Like, that may not be the relationship you need to be in, 'cause that's like, n— it's hard being married. Like, even if you love each other, it's tough and that's not a good start to say, you know, "I really don't wanna do this." "Well, I do, so now you have to." Like, that's—

Travis:

Yeah.

Justin:

... that's not a good start.

Travis:

And plus, if neither of you are going anywhere, like, he might, here's probably what happened, everyone was getting engaged, he brought up the

idea of being engaged, you backed off a little bit, so now he's even more freaked out, so he's trying to hold on tighter—

Griffin:

Mm-hmm [affirmative].

Travis:

... so, he might force the issue because he's afraid of losing you because, all of a sudden, you weren't so now with the idea of being engaged. So, you probably just need to make it clearer to him that's it not a reflection of the relationship between you two, it's you and it's issues you have to work out on your own so that he's not freaked out.

Justin:

Yeah, I, I, I sense from this email that you guys love each other, I can tell that, I, I sense a love there. But it sounds like you guys are one good, long conversation away from gettin' this sorted out.

Travis:

Yeah.

Justin:

It sounds like a convo needs to take place. Um, if, if it's not gonna work out, there's always Griffin. He's ... I can give you his phone number, he's super nice. Uh, please, ladies.

Griffin:

Ripe for the picking.

Justin:

Ripe for the ... like a delicious cherry.

Griffin:

I, one might even say overripe.

Travis:

[laughs].

Griffin:

One might say he's developed some tendencies during his year of solitude that maybe are not so attractive.

Justin:

Maybe, maybe a few, few bruises on the fruit.

Griffin:

Maybe a fe- maybe my rind-

Travis:

[laughs].

Griffin:

... is a little moldy, figuratively and literally.

Travis:

[laughs].

Justin:

[laughs]. Ladies, please. Ladies or guys, I, I-

Griffin:

Ladies.

Travis:

Line forms to the left.

Justin:

Yeah, I'm not so picky anymore. Just anybody, any-just take him. Uh-

Griffin:

[singing unintelligibly]

Travis:

[laughs]

"Hey, MBMBaM, I need some advice on saving money." Oh, you've come to the right place [laughs]. "Every time I get my allowance, I feel the ur—" Ooh. Oh, man [laughs]. "Every time I get my allowance, I feel the urge to go buy something fabulous and amazing that I want, not necessarily need. Any tips that will result in the least amount of tears?" Or tears [ripped holes], tears [from crying] [laughs].

Griffin:

[laughs].

Travis:

[laughs].

Justin:

Te— Tears, 'cause if it's tears [ripped holes], buy high-quality garments, 'cause that—

Griffin:

Sure.

Justin:

... yeah, otherwise, uh, tears [from crying], thanks, great, Formspring. Uh, here's a, a MBMBaM rule to live by, if you're getting allowance, you don't have to be worried about saving.

Travis:

[laughs].

Griffin:

No.

Travis:

That is correct. Um-

Griffin:

In fact, you don't have to worry about shit, everything's awesome-

Travis:

[laughs].

Griffin:

... you're eight, just chill for a while.

Justin:

Just chill out, you don't need to save yet.

Griffin:

You know what I would do if I was eight and didn't have a job or, like, any sort of, uh, things to worry about? I would just, like, sit in a bath all day.

Travis:

[laughs].

Griffin:

Just go sit in a bath all day, that's free.

Justin:

Have you thought about—

Travis:

You know—

Justin:

... Grace, have you thought about just chilling in a bath?

Travis:

You know what I would do with my allowance if I was eight? High-rate mutual fund.

Justin:

Yeah.

Griffin:

Yeah.

Yeah. Definitely an investment in the future.

Griffin:

Get down on an IRA, you— you're never too young.

Justin:

Never too young. Grace, I don't think you're eight, but I, it, seriously, this is not a joke [laughs], if you're getting an allowance, you don't need to be worried about saving, you need to blow it. Buy some, like—

Travis:

Uh—

Justin:

... whippets [laughs]. You're young-

Travis:

[laughs].

Justin:

... you'll recover.

Griffin:

Eight, I started whippets when I was eight.

Justin:

Yeah. Wait—

Travis:

Unless you're trying to save up for, like, some awesome purchase, like, you're saving up to buy a TV for your room or something.

Griffin:

No, fuck it. No, fuck it, 'cause you could wait 10 weeks and get that TV, or you could have 10 straight weeks of nothing but whippets and bubble tape.

Travis:

[laughs].

Justin:

[laughs]. Don't save money.

Travis:

And bubble tape flavored whippets.

Justin:

Don't save money. Uh, because if you want things, just get 'em. What if you save your money and then get by a truck?

Travis:

I was just gonna say this, because of people saving that the economy's going downhill, we gotta spend, spend, spend.

Justin:

Gr—

Griffin:

Yeah.

Justin:

... Grace-

Travis:

We gotta flood the market.

Griffin:

We gotta spend money like you were dying.

Justin:

Grace, you're the, the, the kindling on which our feeble economy is building back into a, a blazing inferno of prosperity and—

Griffin:

And America is the Zippo that's gonna set you on fire.

Justin:

Yeah.

Travis:

[laughs].

Justin:

So, Grace, in closing, set yourself on fire.

Griffin:

Set yourself on fire and spend all your money-

Justin:

Or—

Griffin:

... on [crosstalk].

Justin:

... set your money on fire [laughs].

Travis:

There it is.

Justin:

There it is.

Griffin:

Hey, when did our podcast turn into Mad Money?

Justin:

[laughs].

Travis:

[laughs].

When people started asking us mo— uh, questions about money, it's their problem. Ask a, here's the question we need to get, "Should I ever ask you guys about money?" Answer, no. There's your advice.

Travis:

Nope.

Griffin:

You know, I have actually been so excellent with money since I moved to Chicago. Do you guys wanna know my secret?

Justin:

Tell me.

Griffin:

Any time I have the opportunity to spend money, I say, "Nah," and I, I do something else instead.

Justin:

Okay, I like that.

Griffin:

Yeah—

Travis:

Really?

Griffin:

... it's the same when people are like, "Hey, how do I drink less soda?" It's pretty cool, actually, um, you don't drink soda anymore.

Justin:

Okay.

Griffin:

It is that easy.

It really is, Grace, I mean, if you're really serious about saving money, take half the money you get and put in a shoe box [laughs].

Griffin:

Or 100% of it-

Justin:

Or 100% of it.

Griffin:

... and just, it's gone, you never got that money.

Travis:

Wh-

Justin:

Yeah.

Travis:

When you see something you want, think, "Do I want this or do I need it?" And say, "Well, I'll leave it here now and if I still want it in, like, three days, I'll come back and buy it." And by that point, you've forgotten about it.

Justin:

Yeah, I—

Griffin:

Mm-hmm [affirmative].

Justin:

... you know, another good one that works when you're at a store and you want somethin', think to yourself, "Eh, it's probably cheaper on the internet, I'll buy it when I get home." And then you won't—

Travis:

Yeah.

Griffin:

That's good.

Justin:

... even think about it again.

Griffin:

You won't, will not think [crosstalk].

Travis:

Or just shoplift. Just take it.

Griffin:

Or—

Justin:

Take what you want.

Griffin:

... how 'bout this, you get, like, we'll say \$20 for, for your allowance, right, you spend five of that on one whippet—

Justin:

Okay.

Griffin:

 \ldots and you do it—

Travis:

[laughs].

Griffin:

 \ldots you do all of it really fast, and then you will literally forget about the other 15-

Justin:

Okay [laughs].

Griffin:

... 'cause that part of your brain's [crosstalk].

Justin:

[laughs].

Travis:

[laughs].

Griffin:

Do you guys know how many problems can be served with the, the, the liberal application of whippet?

Justin:

The thing is, it's important you gotta be thinking about the \$15 as you do the whippet—

Griffin:

Mm-hmm [affirmative].

Justin:

... right?

Griffin:

It's like Eternal Sunshine of The Spotless Mind.

Justin:

Gotcha.

Travis:

[laughs].

Justin:

Got you. The whippet.

Griffin:

Hey, do you guys know that I don't know what a whippet is?

[laughs loudly].

Travis:

[laughs].

Justin:

Moving on [laughs]. Um, "My 21st birthday is a few months away, I'd like to throw a fun party, but I don't drink, and I'd rather not have people drinking at my party. What are some fun ideas for a sober 21st? Sincerely, the Life of the Party."

Griffin:

[laughs]. Does this person not understand that when you, when you turn 21, that's the day that you're allowed to drink?

Justin:

Right.

Travis:

Here— Here's a fun idea, do some drinking [laughs].

Griffin:

Just get some Four Lokos and some Trash Monkeys-

Travis:

[laughs].

Griffin:

... and then just, like, just get it all out of the way in one night.

Travis:

I, I would love to no— like, actually give a real answer. I mean, but besides, like, board games, but even board games are more fun when you get a little tipsy and everyone gets stupid.

Justin:

It— there's just really no good answer.

Travis:

And I mean, like-

Justin:

It's like saying, uh [laughs], "I came downstairs, uh, on December the 25th and my Christmas tree was ablaze and all my presents were ashes, how can I have a fun Christmas?" Like, you [laughs]—

Griffin:

[laughs].

Travis:

Yeah [laughs].

Justin:

... you can't!

Travis:

'Cause the th— he— here's the thing, and i— you are an adult now and it's time to have some adult fun. When you turn, like, 40, yeah, you can, you can kick it and you can be like, "I don't wanna drink anymore, I'm old." But right now, par— you, if there are people at your party that wish they were drinking, you have a bullshit party.

Justin:

Wait, okay-

Travis:

It is not a good party.

Justin:

... just, you gotta not have a party [laughs], you can't do it.

Travis:

[laughs].

Listen, you can't have a party, it's gonna be so depressing [laughs]. You can't do it.

Griffin:

I feel like, I feel like we need to be more clearly spoken because it sounds like we're saying, "Hey, pussy, like, grab a beer, pussy," um, which we're not, but you can't [sighs], I, I don't know, it, it would be a bad idea for you to throw a 21st birthday party and then forbid people to drink—

Travis:

That's exactly what it is.

Griffin:

... at your party. You j— you don't have to drink, like, whatever, if you, if, if that's not your scene, that's totally awesome, um, you know, stand, stick, stick by your guns. Uh, but, but I don't know—

Travis:

But it—

Griffin:

... I think it would be a little-

Travis:

It's like having-

Griffin:

... off-putting.

Travis:

... a pi— announcing that you're having a pizza party and then not allowing anyone to eat pizza because not every party has to have booze at it, but when you announce it's your 21st birthday, there's a connotation to that where everyone goes, "Woo, turnin' 21!" and then you're like, "No, DBYOB, don't bring your own booze." And that's sad, that is depressing for everyone.

Justin:

Uh, it's like, it would be like having a quinceanera without a nice dress or any waltzes.

Griffin:

[laughs].

Travis:

[laughs].

Griffin:

How many of these can we turn out? It's like having, um, oh, come on, come on—

Justin:

Apparently exactly that many [laughs].

Griffin:

Yeah.

Justin:

Apparently [crosstalk].

Travis:

It's like having a dirt bike rally without any dirt bikes.

Justin:

Yeah.

Griffin:

Sure.

Justin:

I- Yeah. Um-

Griffin:

It's like having a, a John Cougar Mellencamp listening party and then not allowing anyone to wear any denim.

Yeah.

Travis:

[laughs].

Justin:

It's like, it's like making a bunch of jokes about whippets and not knowing what whippets are [laughs].

Griffin:

What a whippet is. Um-

Justin:

It's basically like that.

Griffin:

... I think you just need to ask yourself why you don't want people drinking at the party, because you, you can, you can do that, you can have a party and police it and be like, "Hey, y, you, you know, you, you're a little, you're maybe a little tipsy, so don't, um, you know, don't have any more, uh, or else I'll—"

Justin:

But I can if it's your 21st you don't want a bunch of people doing something that makes you uncomfortable—

Travis:

I—

Justin:

... it's their par— it's their birthday.

Travis:

I have an answer.

Justin:

Laser tag, that's what [crosstalk].

Griffin:

Oh, my-

Travis:

[crosstalk]—

Griffin:

... I was just about to say. Go to a place that doesn't allow drinking and then my mind went to Billy Bob's and then my mind went to laser tag, that's fucking incredible.

Justin:

Laser tag.

Travis:

And then my mind went to tackling eight-year-old kids and saying, "Who's, who's the man now, dog?"

Griffin:

Sure.

Travis:

Uh—

Griffin:

Get, get drunk on laser tag prowess.

Justin:

Yeah.

Travis:

Um, or you could do, like, a fancy dinner at a fancy restaurant where people could drink if they wanted to, but it's not at your house, you're not throwing the party, so it doesn't matter to you if people are drunk at a restaurant 'cause nobody gets drunk at a restaurant.

Griffin:

These are all good suggestions.

Justin:

Um, yeah.

Griffin:

Also, uh, whippets.

Justin:

Whippets.

Griffin:

Hey, I've got a, I've got a Yahoo Answers question.

Justin:

O— Okay, I'm gonna make you go back-to-back, but go ahead, give it to me.

Griffin:

This one was sent in by Curly Head Poet, uh, Yahoo Answers user Annanimal Lover—

Travis:

[laughs]. Wait, one more time.

Griffin:

An— Annanimal Lover—

Travis:

Uh-huh [affirmative].

Griffin:

... uh, asks, "How big of a turn off is this, parenthesis, for guys? One of my nipples points inwards and won't come out, AKA, inverted nipple, is this a big turn off or not a big issue?"

[laughs].

Travis:

[laughs].

Justin:

It's like *the* issue, it's like the whole thing, that's the thing.

Griffin:

It is, it is a major issue.

Justin:

That is the issue, this is the penal— the, the preeminent issue of our time is that, is that thing you said.

Griffin:

"AKA, inverted nipple." Did you guys know that that is an alternate name that we can call this, $\mathsf{uh}-$

Justin:

AKA—

Griffin:

 \dots this whole sc-

Justin:

... lifetime alone.

Griffin:

Or—

Travis:

[laughs]. AKA, shy nipple.

Justin:

Shy nipple. Come on out.

Travis:

Aw.

Justin:

Hey, hey, come on.

Griffin:

Um, my \ldots it— it's basically like my situation is, like, uh, areola and then a basin, like, a basin—

Justin:

[laughs].

Travis:

[laughs].

Griffin:

... in the middle of it.

Travis:

I've got a concave nipple kind of deal, you could eat cereal out of it, is that normal?

Justin:

Basically, I have one more crevasse for the guys for the guys from *My Brother, My Brother and Me* to fill with wisdom right now—

Travis:

[laughs].

Griffin:

Yeah.

Justin:

... it's my innie nipple, in-nipple, in-nip— nothing's coming there. It's just an innie nipple. Uh, [crosstalk]—
In—

Justin:

... how much of a turn off is it? I think that it's, I think that it's not a turn off so much a— as it is, uh, fraud [laughs].

Griffin:

[laughs].

Justin:

You are ... it is a fraudulent, uh, relationship that you've entered into with this gentleman. He will have you tried in a federal court of law.

Griffin:

Sure.

Travis:

I want you guys to follow me on this.

Justin:

Okay.

Griffin:

Okay.

Travis:

The only way to combat a turn off is with a turn on.

Justin:

Okay.

Travis:

And nothing is sexier than confidence.

Justin:

[laughs].

So my advice is to walk up to someone in a bar, say, "Hey, my name's Tonya, I have one inverted nipple, what's up?"

Griffin:

What's up?

Justin:

What's up?

Griffin:

You don't believe me? Click, click, click, booya!

Travis:

[laughs].

Griffin:

Then you bring it out. Um-

Justin:

Play your cards right.

Griffin:

... I'd like to-

Justin:

Say, say, "Play your cards right, maybe you'll find out if I'm lying."

Travis:

[laughs].

Justin:

And then tha— that, that evening, you will confirm that you were not in fact lying.

Travis:

[laughs].

Um, yeah, build a mystery around it.

Travis:

[laughs].

Griffin:

That's, that's the best-

Justin:

Yeah.

Griffin:

... that's the best option.

Travis:

When you take off your shirt, look down and scream, "Where'd it go?!"

Justin:

Whoa!

Travis:

[laughs].

Griffin:

Get out of here, he's nervous.

Justin:

No one will ever love me, and then you'll make that person be like, "Well, it's not so bad," and then you're like, well, sike, now you're mine.

Travis:

[laughs].

Justin:

Now you've already im— committed to me. Um, it's very bad [laughs], it's not—

[laughs].

Griffin:

It's a very bad thing.

Justin:

It's a very bad thing. Um-

Griffin:

Can I, can I bust out some of the responses?

Justin:

Yeah, please, yeah.

Griffin:

Um, winky emoticon face-

Justin:

Okay.

Griffin:

... uh, which is not, like, spelled out, it literally is one, uh, responded, "If he loves you, he won't care. If he doesn't love you, he will."

Travis:

[laughs].

Griffin:

That seems like kind of a binary, like, I do— I don't think that this is a black or white issue. I think that there can be degrees of grayness, um, in between.

Justin:

It's gotta be some weird beard's fantasy, right? Like, it's gotta be somebody who's like, "I love it. I hate when girls have two that stick out, I wanna wretch."

Or when they have two that go in. But when they're one and one-

Justin:

Ooh.

Griffin:

... like husky eyes, like-

Justin:

Yeah [squeaking laughter].

Travis:

[laughs].

Justin:

I want, I wa— have you considered wearing a patch over that one? [laughs].

Travis:

[laughs].

Justin:

So when things get really intimate, you're like "Argh!" and then you lift it up—

Travis:

[laughs].

Justin:

... what about that?

Griffin:

How confused is that baby gonna be?

Justin:

Woof.

How confused is her, her baby gonna be?

Justin:

So hungry.

Griffin:

So hungry, but it's actually drawing milk out of me.

Justin:

I, it's—

Travis:

[laughs].

Justin:

... it's like, it's gonna be like the, the, uh, El Ranchero near my house, like, no matter how hungry you are, it never seems like it's open.

Griffin:

No.

Justin:

You ke- keep coming back-

Travis:

[laughs].

Justin:

... and it's like, again, really? What have I gotta do?

Griffin:

Ah, God.

Justin:

Uh, it, just mo— most importantly, don't get aroused, 'cause it'll probably stop your heart [laughs].

[laughs].

Griffin:

Yeah, your nipple's attached, your nipple is attached to a lot of important organs.

Justin:

Yeah, you'll, you'll stop your heart.

Griffin:

Um—

Justin:

Uh, you will, you will have to go to the hospital [laughs] for, for dead. Um, how much of a turn off is it for guys? I'm, I—

Griffin:

A nipple's a nipple.

Justin:

A nipple's a nipple, right? [laughs]. I mean-

Griffin:

No matter how fucked up it is.

Justin:

Yeah, no matter how ... a boob's a boob's a boob, I mean, the guy's gonna be, he probably won't notice the first time. I mean, God love 'em, guys aren't the smartest. Um, it's probably not gonna be that big of a deal as much as a production we've made out of it.

Travis:

Mm-hmm [affirmative].

Justin:

Um—

I mean, now that we know though, like, if I ever, if I ever saw it, um, i— I'm sure that that would be a very sensitive, that's a sensitive moment when you first see someone, um, naked that you probably don't want their immediate reaction to be, "[sternly] What?"

Justin:

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"What?" [laughs].
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Travis:

You need to get a tattoo under that nipple that says "not an exit."

Justin:

[laughs].

Griffin:

Or, or just, like, just, it says "deal."

Justin:

Oops [laughs].

Travis:

[laughs].

Justin:

That or, like, build it up, like, "Boy, you're not gonna believe what I've got for you [laughs]."

Travis:

[laughs].

Justin:

Like, nothing you've ever seen.

Travis:

You know, in some cultures...

Justin:

[laughs].

Griffin:

You've been with the rest-

Justin:

[laughs].

Griffin:

... now be with the inverted nipple, which is what I'm packing.

Travis:

[laughs].

Justin:

Uh, I've ruined the surprise.

Travis:

Which one? You take a guess.

Justin:

You take a ... which one will it be? It's the left. Damn it. I cannot keep a secret; these are the two things you need to know about me.

Travis:

[laughs].

Justin:

I have one inverted nipple, I cannot keep a secret [laughs]. Also, my heart is stopping, so things are going pretty good on this date, I guess. Um, I wanna hear Griffin's last question, uh, but first, quick housekeeping things. We have, officially do have a big new round of merchandise that you should be purchasing, uh, at MBMBaM.com, you'll see a link there on the right-hand side with the pictures of all the s— the sweatshirts. We've got, uh, three new T-shirts, uh, a red logo short, the brown "pack your bags," a pinkish, purpleish, lilac-ish, orchid, orchid is what it is, lady's T-shirt. Um, we've got, uh, two hooded sweatshirts, brown and, uh, a navy blue. Uh, and the, the proceeds from those that we make go to, uh, Big Brothers Big Sisters, and we've got a coffee mug. It's, uh, a ton of stuff there.

Um, you— you'll notice our, our provider is changing, uh, it's always been ... well, I mean, it, not technically changing, it's, it's Ninja Bot has always been our, uh, provider, he is changing his organization to, uh, Level Up Studios, um—

Griffin:

It's, uh, I like that better, I think.

Justin:

Yeah, it's a, it's a better name. And, uh-

Travis:

Also, Rocky Horror is workin' on his tunes now for the show, uh, one titled-

Griffin:

If you haven't seen it yet-

Travis:

... "Tristan" and one titled "Fuck It."

Justin:

Yes!

Griffin:

If you haven't seen it yet, get on YouTube, search, um, uh, MBMBaM cuts up, or Bird Flu cuts up MBMBaM, I think that's what it called, it's called. Uh, and it's like a sample of what it's gonna sound like. It is so fresh, it is so inconceivably fresh.

Justin:

Um, yeah, th— th— it's, it's pretty incredible. Um, is there anything else we need to, need to, to—

I-

Justin:

... pl- ... wha- what?

Travis:

I realized something-

Justin:

Tell me.

Travis:

 \ldots for all of you new people that are just starting in, at the beginning of the show, you'll hear a very humorous disclaimer, that is by—

Justin:

Mm-hmm [affirmative].

Travis:

... our friend, Bob Ball. Um, if you don't follow him on Twitter, his name is VO Bob Ball, he is a wonderful gentleman. He posted a video about the MBMBaM shirt on vacation in Vegas.

Justin:

In Vegas. It is Bob Ball VO, just-

Travis:

Oh, Bob Ball VO, my bad. Uh, he also sent me a lovely birthday present, which I would like to thank him for.

Justin:

Oh, me too!

Travis:

Um—

He sent me one too [laughs]. Thanks, Bob.

Justin:

Yeah, it's a callback.

Travis:

You know what, I change my mind. Bob, eat it.

Griffin:

[laughs].

Justin:

Whoa [laughs]. Uh, uh, thank you, uh, Adansis, for spreading the word on, on Twitter. Um, a— to everybody who gave us the follow Fridays and the, the sh— sharing the quotes, we love that, to see that on, on Twitter. Um, just use the MBMBaM hashtag. And remember, if you're gonna promote us, don't start with @MBMBaM, because that, uh, will only go to—

Griffin:

To us.

Justin:

... to us and people who follow us already.

Griffin:

Al— Also, we haven't talked about this in a while, um, listening parties. If you wanna have a listening party, um, I think our rules is more than f— or four or more people—

Justin:

Yeah.

Griffin:

... right? And there have to be some, some new listeners in there, you have to evangelize. But, uh, if you do that, uh, and send us an email with the subject, uh, "MBMBaM listening party," we will record a very special

message just for you. We've, we have been keeping up with that. In fact, we just recorded, uh, Jeff Monblac, the, the original MBMBaM listening party holder, uh, MBMBaM, uh, what is it, fan club alpha?

Justin:

Uh-huh.

Griffin:

Uh, just had their 11th party, so they got another special, uh, extra special link message. Uh, and of course we need to shout them out in the show because, I mean, they're soldiers. Even when we don't do the show, they still, they still rally. Um, so, uh, follow their example and, and get together with some friends and share the show with people that you love.

Justin:

So, uh, Griffin, I think we're ready for that big last question.

Travis:

Oh, oh, one more thing, um, I think the podcast award do— awards.com thing is still going on. I mean, if you're wanting to maybe throw a vote our way, podcastawards.com, vote for us, that would be great.

Griffin:

Mm-hmm [affirmative].

Travis:

Thank you.

Griffin:

Best, best home and garden show. That category, um, I feel like we've [crosstalk].

Justin:

What are we telling people to do actually? Co-

Griffin:

I don't, we haven't, it's been really-

Justin:

Comedy? I guess-

Griffin:

... [crosstalk].

Justin:

Yeah [laughs].

Griffin:

I say just [crosstalk].

Travis:

[crosstalk] best uh, religious-

Justin:

We're gonna be in 20th place in all the categories [laughs].

Travis:

[laughs].

Griffin:

[laughs].

Travis:

Best inspirational podcast, best religious podcast.

Griffin:

Oh, I think we're inspirational as *fuck*.

Travis:

[laughs].

Justin:

This show's so fucking inspirational! Uh, Griffin, we've waited long enough.

Griffin:

Uh, this one was sent in by Jacob Locker, who's, I, this is, like, 10th show in a row, 20th every episode, he's, he's everywhere. Uh, thank you, Jacob. Uh, it's by Yahoo Answers user Dante, who asks, "What helpful tip could you give to attract a lady pharmacist?"

Justin:

[laughs].

Travis:

[laughs].

Justin:

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 plays and ends]