## MBMBaM 636: Millie Vanilli Bobby Flay

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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, "My Life Is Better With You" by Montaigne plays]

**Justin**: Hi, everybody. Welcome to My Brother, My Brother and Me, and advice show for the modren era. I'm your oldest brother, Justin McElroy!

**Travis**: I'm your middlest brother, Travis McElroy.

**Griffin**: I am your sweet baby brother, Griffin, McElroy. Justin's got the goggles out, got the binoculars.

Travis: Oh!

**Justin**: This is my new thing, I feel like—Tom has been posting more videos on our TikTok channel.

Griffin: Yes!

**Travis**: And YouTube. We got a Richard Stink up there on YouTube now.

**Griffin**: But that doesn't—

Justin: Do we?

Travis: Yeah.

Justin: Ooh!

**Griffin**: No one does that anymore. Everybody's on TikTok.

Travis: You too?

**Justin**: I'm gonna check in on that. But Tom's been doing more TikTok, so I feel like I should be... It's McElroy Family, if you follow us on TikTok, you might win a big prize. And the prize is entertainment. [laughs]

**Travis**: Yeah. To be fair, throwing that 'might' in there, it's a big 'might.' 'Cause doing anything, you might win a big prize, really—

Griffin: That's good. You... You might win a \$100 Dave & Buster's gift card.

Travis: You might.

**Justin**: Maybe for an unrelated reason.

Griffin: You could.

**Travis**: Yeah, not from us. Just like, all things are connected, kind of way.

**Justin**: So, I'm trying to incorporate more visual elements. And this one I came up with is like, I'm looking at all our friends that have joined us. More... Something for kids. I guess...

**Griffin**: Okay?

**Justin**: Here's what I'm saying, there can be visual elements for kids and audio elements for adults.

Travis: Oh!

Justin: So, it's a... If the kids are watching on YouTube, they like it better.

Griffin: Yeah.

Justin: Do you understand? So, they'll wanna watch it more.

**Griffin**: Yeah... I will say that the majority of our audience still does live in the audio space.

Justin: [laughs] Right.

**Griffin**: And so, when we do these things, they won't get that and they'll hate that. And they'll either tell us they hate that, which hurts my feelings, or they'll stop listening and supporting us fungibly. And that hurts... What... Okay, Justin has found a little—

Travis: Justin's adding some marbles? Is that what that is?

**Griffin**: Is that a little marble—

**Justin**: I have these clips in a bag. Shh, I'm not supposed— [laughs] The audio elements are for adults, okay? [laughs]

Travis: Well then, Justin, if—

**Justin**: The kids watch it on mute. So, it's gotta be stimulating for kids.

Griffin: Okay...

**Travis**: Then, if I may, what we need is a visual like... maybe a mascot character, somebody who pops up that we do not reference.

Griffin: Yeah, okay.

**Travis**: But is just like in the corner of videos, right. A little fun— Now, Justin's talking to his guitar clip.

**Griffin**: It's his capo, yeah. But Travis, you don't mention it. That's the thing. That's the challenge, Trav, is that we do the— Can we maybe—

**Justin**: This is mayor— This is Mayor Capo. [laughs]

Griffin: It's Mayor Capo.

Travis: Oh?

**Justin**: He's the mayor of Musicberg.

**Griffin**: Fucking go. [groans]

Justin: He's the mayor of Muiscberg. Kids love the capo character, Mayor

Capo.

Griffin: Yeah...

Travis: I think he's... He's upside down, for the way I think he should be

shaped, as a character.

Griffin: Here's the-

**Justin**: Okay, you're not wrong. But I can't squeeze it—

**Griffin**: He can't squeeze them upside down, it's hard.

**Justin**: I mean, that's wild.

Griffin: Maybe we flip it, because adults... The left side of their brain is the

visual cortex.

Travis: Uh-huh?

Griffin: And they like... They like that. But kids like to have imagination.

Travis: Sure.

**Griffin**: So, maybe we should do the audio for kids and the grownups get the video. So, it can be like, "Hey, why did the cow go to... on a... Where did

the cow go on a Friday night? To the moovies!"

Justin: [chuckles]

Travis: Oh, that's pretty good!

Griffin: And then, with my hands I'm doing a 'porking it' gesture.

**Travis**: That's pretty good.

Griffin: Do you know what I mean?

**Travis**: Yeah, yeah, yeah, yeah, yeah.

**Griffin**: "What do you call a fish with no eyes? A fsh." And then, I'm still doing the 'porking it' gesture.

**Travis**: Well, here's the problem with these visual elements...

**Griffin**: What's wrong, Trav?

**Travis**: They're very distracting for me.

**Justin**: [exclaims]

Griffin: Yeah...

**Travis**: Because I can't stop looking at what Justin's doing and trying to figure out exactly what he's going for.

Justin: I've got a—

Griffin: He's a real sour puss.

**Justin**: I've got a terminal case of the grumpies.

Griffin: Yeah.

Travis: Oh... A terminal case? [laughs] Oh, no!

**Griffin**: He's dying from it.

**Travis**: Oh, no!

**Justin**: Kids know that means they have exactly 15 minutes to save me before I die of them. [laughs]

Griffin: Yeah.

**Justin**: So, they have to send money in.

**Griffin**: They have to send money and buy our merch.

Travis: Oh...

**Justin**: If you haven't joined the Max Fun network, then—

**Griffin**: Buy our merch at Walmart and Target. And get our new meal delivery. We have our own pop-up kitchen. It's called McElsnacks. And that's on— [laughs] You can get that on all of your favorite apps, kids. And the McElsnacks are very good. And they are— It's like \$15 for a turkey sandwich.

**Justin**: If Crypto Grill can open their own ghost kitchen, why can't we?

Travis: Yeah.

Griffin: Yeah...

**Justin**: Why aren't we allowed?

**Griffin**: Fair.

**Travis**: I have noticed that we don't do enough— Bebe likes the videos where it's like, this family's promoting themselves to earn money and shilling to YouTube. And, "We're gonna all sleep in a—"

**Justin**: Don't you hate when families promote themselves to earn money?

**Travis**: I know, right? Isn't it the worst?

**Griffin**: I hate that.

**Travis**: "We're gonna sleep in a bouncy castle, inside the house tonight." And then Bebe will turn and be like, "Can we sleep in a bouncy castle?" And I had to try to explain to her like, that's not a real thing that people do. [laughs]

Griffin: Yeah...

**Travis**: That's a thing they're doing for this fun YouTube. This is not an option, normally. Converting our living room into like a ball pit is not a thing... it's not a thing. That's not a thing people do.

**Justin**: Charlie asked me if we could do an eat only orange food challenge. And I said, "Kid, you're already doing daily food challenges. It's called the eat only bread challenge."

Travis: Yeah!

Griffin: Yeah.

Justin: "And then cry if you don't."

**Travis**: I do the 'try to get my kid to eat a good variety' challenge every day. So far... the hit rate is low.

**Justin**: Hey, this is an advice show. We're giving you freebies right now. No one even asked for our parenting advice, but we're just dumping it right in your lap.

**Griffin**: Yeah.

**Travis**: Oh, okay.

**Griffin**: No one wants that—

**Travis**: No one should ask for our parenting advice, by the way. I mean, I'm not saying we're bad parents, but my kid... There's no way that it's a normal thing that— they're just... She sometimes turns into gargoyle at night. It's

not important. Don't worry about it, guys. You guys remember that show, Gargoyles?

**Griffin**: That got too real. That got too real.

**Justin**: "My girlfriend recently purposed to me by setting up a beach picnic." Ooh.

**Griffin**: Oh my goodness.

Travis: Ooh lala.

**Justin**: Ooh lala. "With an assortment of my favorite—"

**Travis**: A bold move, a beach picnic. Because with too much wind, that's all ruined.

Griffin: Yeah... and there's crabs.

**Justin**: "... An assortment of my favorite foods. Including a butternut squash pasta dish."

Travis: Ooh.

**Justin**: "Since she did not have access to the recipe I usually use, she ended up improvising—  $^{\prime\prime}$ 

Travis: Oh boy.

**Justin**: "... And researching an entirely different recipe. The problem is, I actively dislike this recipe."

Griffin: Oh man...

**Justin**: "Obviously, I wasn't gonna say anything 'cause I don't wanna hurt her feelings or ruin the thought she put in her proposal. But now, she wants to include the pasta dish in our daily rotation of recipes, and I don't know

how to sidestep it without admitting that I never liked the engagement pasta."

Travis: Oh boy...

**Justin**: Engagement pasta sounds like something a social media ninja would be—

**Griffin**: Yeah, for sure.

Justin: ... Would be pushing on people.

**Griffin**: "Bro, the engagement pasta on this tweet, it's pretty low. Need more JPGs."

**Travis**: "Hey, Olive Garden. It's me, Doug, your social media manager. Let me... I have a suggestion for you. It's called engagement pasta! It really brings 'em in."

**Griffin**: "They're gonna fuck'n hate it."

**Justin**: "Brothers, what do I do? Do I admit I don't like our engagement pasta and risk putting a cloud over what was a very thoughtful and amazing pruposal? Or do I resign myself to eating mediocre impo- imposter pa-"

**Griffin**: It's okay.

Travis: You can do it.

Justin: You jerk. "Imposter pasta." [laughs]

Travis: Thank you.

Griffin: Yeah.

**Justin**: "... For the rest of my life." That's from Paste Prisoner in South Carolina.

**Travis**: What if you did this move... The next time they make it, say, "Huh... Did you do something different this time? It doesn't taste the same."

Griffin: Oh no...

**Travis**: And then, try to do like the, "Maybe it was just so full of love and you didn't put any love in this one?" [laughs]

**Griffin**: "Why did you put—" Yeah, that runs a pretty serious risk, Travis, of making it sound like you are ready for this engagement to be terminated. Just like, "Hm..."

Travis: Oh, no.

**Griffin**: "This very... this very important pasta, this VIP... Something's missing? Something is missing, Patricia, from it."

**Travis**: Oh! Maybe that's it, "This very important pasta, I just feel like we should save it for special occasions. This is like a special—"

Griffin: For special... That's great.

**Travis**: "This is a special pasta. We can't just have this pasta every day. This is our engagement pasta."

Justin: Yeah, there's a ritual, there's a sac— There's ceremony. There's...

**Griffin**: They're sacraments.

Travis: Did you say sacrifice?

**Griffin**: They're sacrifice.

**Justin**: No, I was gonna say sacrifice. But that's not what I meant. There is sacrifice, that butternut was doing just fine.

Griffin: Yeah.

Justin: Thank you.

Griffin: I think it's cool to do beach pasta. I mean, nobody talks about this...

Justin: [laughs]

**Griffin**: But when you go on the beach, everybody's like, "I brought Goldfish crackers. I brought ham."

Justin: "I brought no pasta."

**Griffin**: "I didn't bring pasta." But every time I'm on the beach and I'm eating Fritos, and I'm eating Uncrustables—

**Travis**: Uh-huh?

**Griffin:** ... I'm sitting there thinking like, "Some gnocchi would go down pretty smoothly right now." But nobody's brave enough to bring that here.

**Travis**: "I wish I had a nice, hot pasta. A nice"... Because here's the thing, I'm sure that some people right there are like already jumping to mastodon to... mastodon us?

Griffin: Yeah...

Travis: Still haven't figured it out. To say like—

**Griffin**: In their private— In their little weird holes.

**Travis**: [laughs] To say like, "What about pasta salad?" And it's like, no, no, no, no.

Griffin: No, that's not—

**Travis**: We're talking about a nice, steaming bowl of hot butternut squash pasta.

Griffin: Hot butternut squash pasta.

**Justin**: I've been married for 17 years now, ish. And here's—

**Griffin**: What's your secret? That's so long.

**Justin**: I'm about to reveal it, actually. Be old, that's one. [laughs]

**Travis**: Okay. That's a good start.

**Justin**: Number two is... I can say with confidence you do not need to address this. Because, my friend, it's gon' come out. You're gonna take a—They're gonna ask you how much you love it. And there's gonna be a half second, a moment... a nano second of hesitation.

Griffin: Yeah...

**Justin**: Just a single moment. And the person who knows your better than anything in the world is gonna say, "You... you don't... you don't like it... You don't like the dish." And then, you can address it.

Griffin: Yeah.

**Justin**: You don't have to intentionally take it on. The other thing I'll tell you is, the idea that we get to choose our food is a relatively new concept in the process of humans.

**Griffin**: Yes!

**Travis**: Oh, here he goes again.

**Justin**: And you should probably just eat it.

Griffin: Yeah...

**Justin**: I mean, you should probably just eat it. A little salt, a little pepper... a little tajin, from this quy?

Travis: Can you zhuzh it up?

**Griffin**: On your butternut squash— Tajin on your butternut—

**Justin**: I said a little? I mean, don't go wild. [laughs]

**Travis**: Maybe a little... like a ginger based hot sauce in there?

**Griffin**: Yeah, maybe crumble up some fuck'n Takis and like throw that in

there. And maybe put in some fuck'n maple syrup.

Travis: Don't tempt me!

**Griffin**: Like you're the elf from Elf.

**Justin**: Yeah, but this is what I'm saying. This will like address the issue.

Griffin: Yeah.

Justin: If your partner sees you go to get the ingredients that aren't in this

one.

**Griffin**: Yeah, like tajin.

**Justin**: And have it just like, "Hey, can we have some tableside cumin? Some like salt and pepper and some tableside cumin, with fresh parsley that's like chopped up? Like, can we have some of that, just like tableside?"

Travis: And maybe some like pizza on the side. Just like a side dish.

Griffin: The original recipe—

Justin: [laughs]

**Griffin**: The original recipe is uncompromised. It is... "The love recipe is still

there. But the tajin represents our growth since the engagement."

Travis: Mm-hmm.

Griffin: "It represents the curveballs that life throws at us sometimes."

**Travis**: "Sometimes, it also represents that recliner we bought together. You know what I mean? Like..."

Justin: Just make it. You make it. Just make it.

Griffin: You make it.

Justin: You make the butter— You make it.

Griffin: You make it.

**Justin**: You make yours.

**Griffin**: Hey, hot shot! Hey, hot shit! You think you're the best at making butternut squash? Why don't you fuck'n— Let's see what you've got. And then, send it to the three of us. We'll eat it live on air.

Justin: [laughs] Yeah!

**Griffin**: And we'll tell you.

**Travis**: Oh, yeah. Give us an A and B, Pepsi versus Coke taste challenge. We'll do a blind taste test with both of 'em. We'll tell you which one loves the other one more.

Justin: If you make it and your partner is not like, "This is outrageous!"

**Griffin**: Yeah.

**Justin**: "This is so much better than what I normally do." Then they—Then... Shh, listen... They like theirs more.

Travis: Yeah.

Griffin: Oh...

Justin: Okay?

**Griffin**: Maybe you each make your own personal pan butternut squash

beach pasta.

**Justin**: And then, you put it before a panel of judges.

**Travis**: This is what I'm saying, yes.

Justin: Including Ina Garten.

Griffin: Yeah.

Justin: Bobby Flay.

Griffin: Yes.

**Justin**: And for no reason, Millie Bobby Brown.

**Griffin**: Millie Bobby Brown and—

Travis: Yeah.

Justin: And the three of them—

Griffin: "It's Millie Bobby Flay, is our new show on Food Network."

Justin: [laughs]

Griffin: "We ran out of ideas. It's Millie Vanilli Bobby Flay, come on! Let's

go. We have no ideas left."

Justin: [laughs]

Griffin: The Wizard would like to share it—

Justin: We're done talking about butternut squash pasta? I have a hard

time believing that.

**Griffin**: I'm... hungry.

**Justin**: I am hun— It's made me really hungry, actually. I would like to move on.

**Griffin**: I don't even like butternut squash pasta. But it's one of those things where when you talk about it enough, it's like, do I like it?

**Justin**: Squash is deceptive like that. Especially butternut squash.

Griffin: Yeah.

**Justin**: You hear that and you say that enough times, you're like, "Mm, yum!"

Griffin: "Mm, sweet, creamy treat."

**Justin**: And then you try to eat it.

Griffin: No...

**Justin**: No. The only squash that lives up to it is delicata. Everything else is a pretender.

Griffin: Everything else sucks shit. This is how to become—

**Justin**: And I mean everything.

**Griffin**: How to become a fool.

Justin: Hm?

**Griffin**: How to become a fool. This one's got a lot of good wisdom in it. It is also posted in 'fun activates, pranks, practical jokes.' So, it's like, it can be—

**Travis**: That's a big scope, wikiHow.

Justin: There's a lot of different—

**Travis**: Fun activities is most things?

Justin: It's just an umbrella. It's just an umbrella.

Griffin: Yeah...

**Travis**: But that could be like taking a nap or bowling?

**Griffin**: Damn, I'm looking at the 'have fun activities' list now. And there's some— There's some stuff in here I've never even thought about before. Like, "How to have computer fun, content games writing and more." Or, "How to pop a balloon."

Travis: Huh?

Justin: Woah...

**Griffin**: There's, "How to tie up a balloon." And then, "How to pop a balloon." And then, "How to perform grind core vocals."

Travis: Okay. "How to release a balloon back into the wild."

**Griffin**: Yeah... Damn, I almost kinda wanna read some of these. "How to entertain yourself without objects." Holy shit.

**Travis**: Oh, in like a... in a completely empty void.

**Griffin**: Yeah.

**Travis**: How to entertain yourself.

**Griffin**: There is no... There's no— "I'm in a room free of mass and space. It's just time and thought in here. I'm in a... I'm in my mind prison and I'm going to entertain myself now."

"How to become a fool. Make assumptions. It's said that assuming makes an ass out of you and me."

Justin: Hmm...

**Griffin**: "Well, nothing has changed. It does. Be cool if the change—"

**Travis**: Can I— I've always wondered about that saying, by the way. Because I get the like, "I made an assumption and that made an ass out of me." But how does you making an assumption make an ass out of me too?

Griffin: Yeah, yeah.

**Travis**: Like, Griffin makes an assumption. That makes an ass out of me? In what way?

**Griffin**: And not only that— And not only that, it would be cool if in Sherlock season 5, Benidict Cumberbunch was like, "Ah, your cellphone has a scratch on it. Which means... Oh, what am I doing? Fuck me, right?"

Travis: [laughs] "You know what they say."

**Griffin**: "Oh, but the constable walks with a limp. So, he couldn't have... [stammers] I don't know for sure, though. I don't know for sure. None of us know for sure. So, like... heh..."

**Travis**: You know, you make a deduction, and you make a... 'ded' out of 'u' and 'ction.' [laughs]

Griffin: And 'ction.' [chuckles]

**Justin**: I tried to get— For a while, I tried to get 'assuming makes an ass out of you—' 'Cause like, "Assuming makes an ass out of you and me."

**Griffin**: Yeah.

Justin: It doesn't make sense.

Travis: Right.

**Justin**: It's just like, that's the spelling gag, right.

Griffin: Yeah.

**Justin**: But when you say assuming, it means, not like— assuming makes—

there's nothing.

**Griffin**: Yeah.

Justin: So, I tried to get for a while going, 'assuming makes an ass out of

you and Ming Tsai,' celebrity chef and restauranteur.

**Travis**: Oh, yeah. Okay.

Griffin: Okay...

Justin: But no one— no one really got into it very much. But I did have a

good 10 years where I tried to get 'assuming makes an ass—  $^\prime$ 

**Travis**: 10 years, huh?

**Griffin**: That's a long time.

Justin: Off and on. It doesn't pop up so often. And you know what?

Actually... I will say now 12 years, 'cause we're here, right.

Travis: Oh, there you go. So—

Justin: 'Cause I'm doing it now.

Griffin: Yeah.

Travis: Okay.

Justin: Trying to get it going again.

**Griffin**: Well, "Don't read your insurance schedule and policy wording," is another good way to be a fool.

Travis: Huh?

**Griffin**: "If you've had an insurance claim declined by your insurance company, you will know that this is one of the more detrimental acts of foolishness one can commit."

**Travis**: Now, usually, there's some... I would say a little better pacing in wikiHow articles. Of like, we're gonna start very broad and work to a general point.

**Griffin**: Broad and then dial in, yeah. No.

**Travis**: But to go from 'make assumptions...' 'Don't read your insurance policy...' [laughs] It's like, wait, hold on. There's no steps between those two?

**Justin**: But I will say, if you don't read your insurance policy, you are making the assumption that it's all fine.

Griffin: Yeah.

**Travis**: That's true!

**Justin**: That's an assumption.

**Griffin**: But that's—

Justin: We've actually already clear—

**Travis**: I assume that people are good. [laughs]

**Justin**: Yeah, I assume that these little words are fine.

**Griffin**: But that's like also insurance. Like, if I wanted to worry about every little thing and have like my fuck'n head on a swivel 24/7, despite the... my

own sort of mental itzakadoozies that I've got going on, my little whatsits that I've got going on up there, I wouldn't have the insurance. I would be always ready for it. I have insurance so I don't have to sweat the small stuff, baby. You know what I mean?

Justin: Yes! Yes.

**Travis**: Yeah, I guess that's true.

**Griffin**: "Don't have a legal eye. Glance over your contracts. Those believing they can do this alone are somewhat foolish. You must have a sound knowledge of law."

**Justin**: I cannot say those assuming that they don't need that. And we're already covered here.

**Travis**: Yeah, I was gonna say— Justin, this is a great point. 'Cause I was gonna say, you can just say, "Don't read contracts before you sign them."

Griffin: Yeah.

**Travis**: But that does fall under the bigger umbrella of making assumptions.

**Justin**: Don't make assumptions.

Griffin: Don't.

**Justin**: And also, I will say that assumptions are fundamental to our survival as a species, right?

Travis: Yup.

Griffin: Yeah.

Justin: So, what do you want from me?

**Griffin**: Don't be a fuck'n dumb-dumb. Because here's step four. "Go ahead, breach a contract." Woah, challenge—

Justin: Whew...

**Griffin**: Why are you challenging me in that way?

**Travis**: Now, this writer... Okay, the writer of this wikiHow article has not been paid in three months. Right? [laughs] I think that's what—

**Justin**: This is very targeted, right! "Tell June that maybe sometimes you do think about looking at other people." That's one thing you could do.

**Travis**: Hey, here's one thing you could do. Get a job at wikiHow and then just assume that the insurance they give you is gonna cover elective procedures. And they don't and you're like, "Well, then I quit." And they're like, "Well, you need to give us six weeks' notice."

Griffin: Oh...

**Travis**: And I'm like, "Fuck! I didn't read that contract. Shit!"

**Griffin**: If you view this article as a do as I say and not as I do... And that this person writing this has had a personal crisis... or crises.

**Travis**: Or it's like the joke of opening up a fortune cookie and saying you found a fortune that says, "Help, I'm trapped in a cookie factory."

Justin: Right.

**Griffin**: Yeah.

**Travis**: That this is someone trapped at wikiHow by an iron clad contract with bad insurance, trying to call for help.

**Griffin**: Yes. Okay, so—

Justin: Has anyone ever written a memoir called, "Here's how I fucked up?"

Griffin: I think that... this is a living document.

Travis: Yes? Not called that.

**Griffin**: It's a living document that we find ourselves in... now. Like, it's always an evolving—

**Justin**: It's sounds like a show that Spotify would pay 20 million dollars for. [laughs]

Griffin: Yeah.

**Travis**: "The story of Spotify." [laughs]

Justin: [laughs]

**Griffin**: Just to follow the story of this sad person, do we have author info here? No, literally nothing. Okay... We'll call him Jar... Jarsh.

Justin: Jarsh.

**Griffin**: So, just to go through it again, Jarsh made an assumption and he didn't read his insurance schedule policy wording. And he didn't have a legal eye glance over his contract. And then, he did go ahead and breach the contract.

Justin: Do you guys know what an insurance schedule is?

Griffin: Yeah, definitely. The next step in Jarsh's journey—

**Travis**: It's when you do insurance on time.

**Justin**: He'll tell me later, I assume, if I need to know.

**Griffin**: Yeah. The next in this journey, "Overextend yourself financially. Governments that have passed national credit acts and have imposed strict laws surrounding the borrowing and lending of money, are to be commended." [laughs]—

Justin: Wow!

**Griffin**: Well done, governments. I know we all give you are hard time. We all like to think that you know... Monday morning quarterback and all that. But you know... the ones that have passed national credit acts and imposed strict laws surrounding the borrowing and lending of money, they— I'd give 'em a big round of applause.

**Travis:** Does it ever broaden back out to like you know, "Make promises you can't keep." Or does it continue on this like business strategies only?

**Griffin**: Well, let's... I mean, it starts to unravel here a little bit. "Stand surety for someone else's debt." I don't know what that means. But if that word sounds strange, it's because the next sentence is, "The Bible teaches us that this is foolishness. Standing surety for someone else's debt is often an emotional decision." It's fun when the Bible gets in there and it's like—

Justin: Yeah!

**Griffin**: Bible? Woah, Bible. Is this... Has it been Bible stuff the whole time? I didn't know the Bible had stuff about insurance in it, or contracts?

**Justin**: Do you think that the author like turned it in and wikiHow was like, "You can't call it the libertarian agenda. That's not a wikiHow, that's not the structure that we use."

**Griffin**: Yeah.

**Justin**: And he's like, "Well, what about this?"

**Travis**: I would also say, if you're gonna cite the Bible in an article of like how to be a fool, one, there's plenty of stuff in the Bible about fools and stuff. And like a fool... But also, plenty of people who have read the Bible have been a fool, my dude. That also doesn't work!

**Griffin**: Travis, it doesn't say read the Bible. It says, "Don't purchase real estate, time shares or property fractions without physically viewing the property. A saying exists, 'In God we trust.' Everything else, we audit. The

same should be for property or real estate, prior to purchasing it." That's good.

Travis: I mean, our— Okay...

**Griffin**: That's good advice.

**Travis**: I'm sorry—

**Griffin**: We can make jokes about it, but like go to the house before you buy it with all the money you have.

**Travis**: Are there people who aren't doing that?

**Griffin**: I mean, I had to put—

**Travis**: Are there people in the world who are like, "What's that? A time share, you say? Sight unseen, I'll take it. You seem like a trustworthy man."

**Griffin**: I did have to put an offer on the house that we live in now, in D.C., without going to it first. And that made me very uncomfortable.

**Travis**: But what if you had gotten there, Griffin, and it was one eighth scale?

Griffin: If it was a little baby house.

**Justin**: Guys, just for like shits and giggles, I did a quick Google search of the Bible.

Griffin: Yeah?

**Justin**: To see mentions of fool. And man, we give the Bible a hard time sometimes... There's a lot of stuff that has been used bad. But man, there's some good stuff, listen to this!

Griffin: Oh, give me some Bible, Juice.

Justin: This is Proverbs 18:2, okay?

**Travis**: Oh, that's one of my favorite proverbs!

Griffin: [in silly voice] Give me some Bible!

**Justin**: Wait, wait, wait. Wait, wait, wait.

**Travis**: Break me off a piece of that Bible, son!

**Griffin**: Yeah hit it. Break me off a piece of that Bible bar.

**Justin**: Let me give Tom a marker where he should start the no context TikTok here.

Griffin: Yeah, sure.

**Justin**: Right here. So, I just wanna take it to the word for a second.

Travis: Yeah.

**Justin**: Proverbs 18:2 says, "A fool takes no pleasure in understanding. But only in expressing his opinion."

**Travis**: Ah, damn! Jesus from downtown!

**Griffin**: Jesus, that's a slam dunk, man!

**Justin**: That's some ESV, that's good. "A fool's lips walk into a fight. And his mouth takes a beating."

Travis: Oh—

Griffin: Walk into a what?

**Justin**: A fight.

Travis: Walk into a fight.

**Justin**: And his mouth takes a beating...

Travis: Oh, yeah, yeah, yeah.

**Griffin**: Well, okay... That one doesn't actually do it for me as good, Bible.

The Bible.

**Justin**: Okay. "Whoever trusts in his—"

**Travis**: Well, 'cause then you get punched in the lips.

Griffin: Yeah...

**Justin**: "Whoever trusts in his own mind is a fool." This is how Joe Rogan starts every episode. "Whoever trusts in his own mind is a fool. But he who walks in wisdom will be delivered." That's Proverbs 28:26. I mean—

**Griffin**: Well now, that's—

Travis: That's not a one to one though, is it?

Griffin: No, it's not. There's-

**Travis**: "He who trusts in his own mind..." But, "He who is wise..." Hm...

**Griffin**: Mm-hmm. Now, there's also kind of a comedy rule of threes thing. But for the Bible, where if you read three Bible verses on your podcast, your podcast is a Bible podcast.

Travis: Oh, no!

**Justin**: Yeah, that's what I'm going for by bringing in Proverbs 26, 3 through 12.

**Griffin**: What— [sighs]

Justin: Just listen to this—

Griffin: 3 through 12 is a lot, Juice! 3 through 12 is a lot of Bible, my friend!

Travis: Unless each one is one word?

Justin: Hey, Griffin. Griffin, we never— We never read the Bible!

**Travis**: That's true.

Griffin: I know, Justin!

**Justin**: [laughs] We never read the Bible.

**Travis**: No, he saved it up. We got a big load built up and Justin's gotta

blow it.

**Griffin**: A big load of Bible!

Justin: Listen! "A whip for the horse, a bridle for the donkey and a rod for

the back of fools."

**Griffin**: Well, hold on...

**Travis**: Oh, wow.

**Justin**: Yeah, it's good—

**Griffin**: No! That's where it not great!

**Justin**: That part's not good, but listen to the next part. "Answer not a fool according to his folly, lest you be like him yourself. Answer a fool according to his folly, lest he be wise in his own eyes. Whoever sends a message by

the hand of a fool, cuts off his own feet and drinks violence."

**Travis**: Okay, now you've—

Justin: What?!

Griffin: Woah.

**Travis**: Justin, you have bookended, like in the center there of like, "Hey, when someone's being dumb, don't answer 'em dumber. It just makes you seem dumb too." Great. But in the first part there— [laughs] it was like, yeah, "Whip that horse, bridle that donkey, beat up that idiot." And then, the next part was, if I remember correctly, "He who sends a message with a fool—"

**Justin**: ... "Message by the hand of a fool, cuts off his own feet and drinks violence!"

Griffin: Fuck yeah. I love sometimes when the-

**Justin**: [mouths fast paced beat]

**Griffin**: Yeah! [laughs] I love sometimes when the Bible is like, "Do noteth borrow from thy neighbor and noteth repay it. Thine pride shall cast ye off into hellfire and cut off your dick and your balls, and feed it to goats!" And it's like, holy shit, Bible.

Travis: Woah.

**Griffin**: Like, calm down. "Dost thou not readeth thine insurnace policy than cut off your head?"

**Justin**: If this is ESV, it's pretty modern. I mean...

**Griffin**: Oh, well... I like the old stuff.

**Travis**: Yeah, I do like that part where it's like, "It's easier for a camel to pass through the eye of a needle than it is for a lame-o to do a sick ollie."

**Griffin**: Yeah, so—

**Travis**: And it's like, "Wait, hold on. What?" And it's like, "Oh, that's from the—"

**Griffin**: "Hold on, wait." And then cut off his fucking feet and his hands and arms, put 'em in a pot and then make his mom eat it. "Don't borrow."

Justin: "The fool folds his hands and eats his own flesh."

**Travis**: What?

**Justin**: That's Ecclesiastes, guys.

Griffin: Well...

**Justin**: I'm out. I'm fully out of proverbs.

Griffin: Yeah...

**Justin**: "The fool folds his hands and eats his own flesh?!"

**Griffin**: I've never—

**Travis**: I mean, that's a good point.

**Justin**: Dang, this is a good book.

**Travis**: That is a good point. If I saw somebody just gnawing on themselves, I'd be like, "Don't be a fool."

**Griffin**: "Don't, come on... Have you— food, heard of it?" Hey, what does the Bible say about don't use the internet without the correct security/antivirus settings? [laughs]

Justin: [laughs]

**Griffin**: "Want your money stolen out of your bank account? Your hard drive infected with scary viruses? Your hard drive crashing on you at that crucial moment, right when you're about to finish? If not, don't do this. Don't try to fix a man/woman." Huh... I don't know... I don't know if that's a good one, wikiHow. Don't ever—

**Travis**: Now, once again though... To go from insurance, read a contract... You know, don't take on someone else's debt... Don't try to fix someone. It's like what—

Griffin: Yeah...

Travis: Hold on.

**Griffin**: Big props though, wikiHow, WikiBible, for this next Bible how, for this next one. "Don't engage in an extra-marital affair. This one doesn't apply to open marriages if it's within the terms of your mutual understanding."

Travis: Oh?

**Griffin**: All right! There's a version of this that doesn't include that postscript. And I... I appreciate it.

**Justin**: Yeah? Probably forced in by the editor—

Griffin: Probably forced in by an editing pass, here or there.

**Travis**: I do like the idea of wikiHow editors, but they only care about very specific things.

Griffin: Yeah...

**Travis**: It's like, "You mention the Bible in here, that's fine or whatever. But over here, you talk about extra-marital affairs. Does that apply to people with open marriages where that is within the bounds of the agreement between them?" What? Just include that for safety, for safety.

**Griffin**: And I'll... I mean, we get into some more virtuous stuff, "Don't slander, don't make promises you can't keep." Then it gets into... "Don't read contraindications on medicines and ingredients on natural health products and food stuffs."

Travis: What?

**Justin**: What is this post, Griffin?

Griffin: Well, it's how to not be a fool.

Justin: This guy is spiraling.

**Griffin**: It's don't be a fool. This guy's had a hard time of it, Justin. He has made assumptions. He has fucked his insurance up. He did a bad contract and he lost all of his money.

Justin: [laughs]

**Travis**: He fucked his insurance up, behind his wife's back.

Griffin: And they did not agree on it.

Travis: And his wife was like, "Are you fucking the insurance?"

**Griffin**: She said, "We did not—"

**Justin**: "We ate two pills that hate each other." [laughs]

**Griffin**: [laughs] He did buy a property that did not have walls or a floor in it, or roof. And then he got on the internet to find out what legal— like, how paid he could get for that. But then, he got viruses and he tried to fix someone. And then, he took two pills that made him sick. And then, he believed that STDs only happen to other people, is the last step in here.

Justin: [laughs]

**Travis**: It— I— Ah... Is it— Griffin, is there like a secret last line on this wikiHow that's like, "By reading this article, you're already a fool." Like—

Justin: Yeah.

Griffin: Oh, wow.

**Justin**: Or a stone mason. [laughs] One of the two.

Travis: Yeah! "You've made it this far. Step on in to your computer."

Justin: "You haven't clicked away. You have the rigor we're looking for."

**Griffin**: Yeah... This is... There's some stuff in here... I'm worried actually that this segment will have a net negative effect. 'Cause there's some stuff in here that's like, "You should make sure that your medicines don't counteract each other." That's good stuff.

Travis: Yeah.

**Justin**: Yeah, yeah.

**Griffin**: You don't wanna— You don't wanna pop some... you know... Guaifenesin in the afternoon. And then a little bit later take a... you know, cold formula that also Guaifenesin in it?

**Travis**: Oh, god no.

**Griffin**: Your shit's gonna be... Your shit's gonna be whacked out!

**Justin**: But in doing that, you have assumed that these two pills don't hate each other.

**Griffin**: Yeah.

**Justin**: We've covered this.

**Travis**: Yeah, you've assumed that pharmacists and scientists know what they're talking about.

**Griffin**: Okay. That's true. That's a good point. Okay, so I guess the whole thing is just don't assume.

**Travis**: Don't assume, baby.

Justin: Yeah.

**Travis**: Question everything.

Justin: They could've gotten one— They had it in one.

**Travis**: The truth is out there.

**Justin**: The truth is out there, question everything. Push against the boundaries.

**Griffin**: Ah, fuck. This— We are taking a beating this segment, from ourselves.

Justin: [laughs]

**Griffin**: We are eating our own flesh right now.

Travis: Yeah.

**Justin**: Yeah, we're folding our hands and eating our own flesh, and drinking violence.

**Travis**: Yeah, man. And drinking violence left and right. And can I say—

Griffin: I woke up this morning and drank violence.

Travis: ... It's delicious.

Griffin: It's all right.

**Justin**: It's good violence.

**Travis**: That's what they don't tell you. Violence? Mm-mm. It tastes like butternut squash.

Griffin: Yum yum yum yum yum.

**Travis**: So, I went to a Dave Matthews concert last night. And I—

Justin: Oh yes!

Travis: ... I brought back a very special thing. Can I show you guys?

Justin: Yeah.

**Travis**: Okay, hold on. Give me a second.

**Justin**: Why is he doing a visual— Is this a visual bit, or is this being edited out.

**Griffin**: It's for kids. This one's for kids. Kids love Dave Matthews Band. My kids love Dave Matthews Band 'cause I told 'em about when he dumped poopy on a bunch of people on a boat in Chicago.

Justin: [laughs]

**Travis**: [spoofing Dave Matthews] Hey guys. It's me, Dave Matthews.

Justin: Wow!

**Griffin**: Woah, holy shit. It's...

Justin: Wow! The one and only Dave Matthews?

**Travis**: [spoofing Dave Matthews] It's me, Dave Matthews.

**Griffin**: Dave Matthews, can I ask why you had to stand up from your desk to go get a pair of sunglasses that you put on?

Justin: [laughs] That was Travis.

**Travis**: [spoofing Dave Matthews] So, no. That was my good friend [sings] Travis. And I had to switch places.

Justin: [laughs]

**Griffin**: Why didn't he have the glasses ready to go at the table?

**Travis**: [spoofing Dave Matthews] I'm wearing the glass. I had to switch places with Travis. So, he had to get out of the booth.

**Justin**: Dave, I heard you did a killer show last night in Dayton.

**Travis**: [spoofing Dave Matthews] I did. I barely remember it. [groans]

**Justin**: But it was three hours long, I heard? With no opener.

**Travis**: [spoofing Dave Matthews] Yeah, baby.

**Justin**: How do you not remember that? [laughs]

**Travis**: [spoofing Dave Matthews] Well, all the shows start to run together after a while. Especially when you have done so many drugs.

**Griffin**: Hey, can you talk normal, Dave?

**Travis**: [spoofing Dave Matthews] [sings] A little baby.

Griffin: No, Dave.

Justin: [laughs]

**Travis**: [spoofing Dave Matthews] No, this is all I bring—

**Justin**: What brings us— What brings you to our show, Dave? Wow, what an honor.

**Travis**: [spoofing Dave Matthews] Thank you so much for asking. As you know—

**Griffin**: Did you hear we were talking about the Bible and you were like, "Gotta get all up—"

Justin: [laughs]

**Travis**: [spoofing Dave Matthews] I love it.

Justin: Your camera is blurring in self-defense. Go ahead.

**Travis**: [spoofing Dave Matthews] Yeah. Well, I have that effect on audio visual [sings] equipment. I... So, as you know, I have conquered the musical scene. I've won several Grammys. And a Tony.

**Griffin**: You sound a lot like a Oogie Boogie, which I hate.

Justin: [laughs]

**Travis**: [spoofing Dave Matthews] Well, I get that a lot.

**Griffin**: Can you try to sound less like Oogie Boogie from Nightmare Before Christmas?

**Travis**: [spoofing Oogie Boogie] I can try. [spoofing Dave Matthews] Was that— That was more Oogie Boogie, wasn't it?

Griffin: Yeah, it's going deeper down the hole.

**Travis**: [spoofing Dave Matthews] I'm looking to— I'm looking to expand the Dave Matthews brand. And so, I have done a little market research—

Justin: Sorry, the Dave— The what?

**Travis**: [spoofing Dave Matthews] Dave Matthews brand.

**Justin**: [laughs] Sorry, go ahead.

**Travis**: [spoofing Dave Matthews] So, I've done some market research to look up where other musicians have partnered with brands. So that I can see what's out there. 'Cause I'm looking for something that screams Dave Matthews! You know, when I do it. And so, I'm gonna read you guys the product—

Griffin: You really don't sound that much like yourself right now, David.

**Travis**: [spoofing Dave Matthews] I sang a lot last night, buddy. Were you listening to me? I sang for three hours.

**Griffin**: [laughs] But I don't understand why having a horse throat would cause one to sort of do the sort of affectations that you're putting on for us, David.

**Travis**: [spoofing Dave Matthews] I'm just trying to put on a good show here, man. It's the goal, to have fun. And if you'll allow me, we might just make it tonight.

**Griffin**: Play your little game, David.

**Travis**: [spoofing Dave Matthews] Okay, I'm gonna describe it. This guy is a family man now. [sings] With a wife a two little babies. So, this Grammy nominated producer took his perfectionist attitude to a new endeavor. Baby strollers. Together with Cybex, he launched a collection of strollers and other parent gear. Featuring his own designs and logo.

Throughout the strollers are bold, jungle inspired patterns, complete with lions and zebras, and flora. And on the outside of each is the 'We The Best' logo. Now, it's obvious who this— who this musician/producer is. But you guys tell me.

**Griffin**: [stammers]

Justin: Rick Rubin?

**Travis**: [spoofing Dave Matthews] Incorrect.

**Griffin**: We— Okay. I didn't— Okay. So, just to sort of tell you where I'm at. And I'm trying really hard this episode, and for the rest of my life, not to make assumptions. I didn't know that this was going to be a game, Dave. So, I was only—

**Travis**: [spoofing Dave Matthews] No, this is market research!

**Griffin**: Yeah. No. For sure. But it feels like a game though, doesn't it? Like, it feels like points are up for grabs, definitely.

**Travis**: [spoofing Dave Matthews] I don't play games, little baby.

**Griffin**: Is it DJ Khalad?

**Travis**: [spoofing Dave Matthews] It is DJ Khaled.

Griffin: Is it DJ Khaled?

**Travis**: [spoofing Dave Matthews] It is DJ Khaled.

Griffin: Okay.

**Travis**: [spoofing Dave Matthews] That's correct.

**Griffin**: I feel nothing.

**Travis**: [spoofing Dave Matthews] Now, this next one—

**Griffin**: I got that— I want you to know, I got that right and I don't feel anything.

**Travis**: [spoofing Dave Matthews] [groans] Yeah.

**Justin**: There was very little— To be fair though, there was very little reaction from Dave.

**Griffin**: There was no reaction. There was also no set up.

**Travis**: [spoofing Dave Matthews] That was the biggest I react. The biggest—

Griffin: So, that was just all middle, that bit?

**Travis**: [spoofing Dave Matthews] No, it's not done yet.

Griffin: Okay?

**Travis**: [spoofing Dave Matthews] 'Cause now, I'm gonna tell you about my own idea. And I'm gonna see what you guys think. I'm gonna make a movie! Gonna write and direct it, and produce it.

Griffin: Who-

**Travis**: [spoofing Dave Matthews] It's about a—

**Griffin**: [laughs] What are you doing, dude?

**Travis**: [spoofing Dave Matthews] I just told you, I'm gonna make a movie.

**Griffin**: Yeah, but it's... But... You—You're fuck'n like transmogrifying in— It's like you're— You exist in a quantum state right now.

**Travis**: [spoofing Dave Matthews] Yes.

**Griffin**: And you'll be telling be about DJ Khaled's strollers and then you'll be like, [in silly voice] I wanna be in a movie! [garbles]

Travis: [spoofing Dave Matthews] Yeah!

**Justin**: [laughs] You can just let him finish.

**Travis**: [spoofing Dave Matthews] I'm a multifaceted human being. [sings] A little baby.

**Griffin**: It's like the less confident you become in yourself, the more you move away from your own—

**Justin**: I don't why he'd be less confident in himself. His little brother's negative. Or his friend's—

**Griffin**: I'm not related to— Sorry, Juice. You're— Now, you're the one who's making ass-umptions. I'm not related to Dave Matthews.

**Justin**: Let him— Just let David do his segment, please.

**Travis**: [spoofing Dave Matthews] Can I please tell you about my movie?

Justin: Yeah.

**Travis**: [spoofing Dave Matthews] So, here's what I picture—

**Justin**: Are you talking about I Now Pronounce You Chuck & Larry 2? I know you were in the first one.

**Griffin**: So fucking funny. And a good message.

**Travis**: [spoofing Dave Matthews] No. I already conquered the silver screen and now I— Well...

**Justin**: Is it You Don't Mess with the Zohan 2? 'Cause I know you were in that one.

Travis: [spoofing Dave Matthews] No.

Justin: Okay. Well, I don't know then.

**Travis**: [spoofing Dave Matthews] What it is, it's about a voyeur. And he falls out of a tree, gets hit by a car. And he falls in love with the young woman of the father who hit him with the car. And I know what you're thinking, that seems pretty straightforward. Well, here's the twist...

Griffin: Yeah?

**Travis**: [spoofing Dave Matthews] Their son from the future shows up and... he gets into some vehicle related shenanigans as well. I call the movie Crash.

Griffin: Okay.

**Travis**: [spoofing Dave Matthews] What do you think?

**Justin**: [laughs hysterically]

**Griffin**: Dave, first of all, I wanna say— First of all, Dave. I wanna apologize.

**Justin:** It's a thinker. It's a tinker. [laughs]

**Travis**: [spoofing Dave Matthews] Okay.

**Griffin**: I wanna apologize. 'Cause you know what I did? I assumed that what you were gonna say, wasn't gonna be very funny. And it was very funny, Dave. It was very good.

Justin: [laughs]

**Travis**: [spoofing Dave Matthews] Oh, it's a— It's a drama. This is a drama movie.

**Justin**: Don't— Listen. You already got the point and you barely got through there. You— [laughs] You dropped that— You got right through that hairpin turn, you shouldn't look back. Just move forward.

**Griffin**: They have made a couple of films called Crash. And one won an Oscar. And one—

**Travis**: [spoofing Dave Matthews] What was it about?

**Griffin**: One of them won a weird David Cronenberg sex Oscar. Which is a special award they—

**Travis**: [spoofing Dave Matthews] What was the one that won the Oscar? What was it about? Was it about a voyeur who gets hit by a car?

**Griffin**: I get the films confused sometimes, 'cause they are both named Crash. But I think the one that won the Oscar was the one that fixed racism

and the one that won the David Cronenberg sex Oscar, the award that they made to give David Cronenberg for his films, was the David Cronenberg sex car crash movie, called Crash. But that's fine. I think that proves the point, that there can be multiple movies called Crash.

**Travis**: [spoofing Dave Matthews] People like movies called Crash.

**Griffin**: People love movies called Crash.

**Travis**: [spoofing Dave Matthews] Yeah.

**Griffin**: Does your movie have James Spader in it? And he has sex with a car in an accident?

**Travis**: [spoofing Dave Matthews] No... It has Crispin Glover in it.

Griffin: Well now, hold on.

**Travis**: [spoofing Dave Matthews] What's wrong?

Justin: Now, why did you put Crispin Glover in there, Dave?

**Travis**: [spoofing Dave Matthews] Well, 'cause it's... He's gonna play opposite Lea Thompson. And they have great chemistry.

Griffin: Yeah, they were great in Back to the Future together.

Travis: [spoofing Dave Matthews] What's that movie?

**Griffin**: Don't worry about it because nowhere in your synopsis did you mention time travel. So, I think that your film's in the— Your film's in the clear.

**Travis**: [spoofing Dave Matthews] No, the son comes back from the future?

**Griffin**: So, you heard it, just then, right.

Justin: So, you heard it just fine.

**Travis**: [spoofing Dave Matthews] No, it's a— it's a different... You said 'to' and mine's 'from.'

**Griffin**: Okay, all right. Dave, man, you really should—

**Travis**: [spoofing Dave Matthews] I gotta go do some rewrites!

**Griffin**: Yeah, Dave. You should've gotten out of there, man. You got greedy, didn't you? You got—

Justin: You got greedy, Dave!

**Griffin**: You got stuck with your hand in the comedy tiller, didn't you, bud?

**Travis**: [spoofing Dave Matthews] You know what? I'm gonna go. I've gotta move on to the next city.

**Griffin**: Yeah, get out of here.

Justin: Yeah!

Griffin: Fuck'n Winnie-the-Pooh.

**Travis**: [spoofing Dave Matthews] But I'll be back with more ideas for you.

Justin: [laughs]

**Griffin**: Fuck'n Winnie-the-Pooh ass Dave Matthews Band got his butt stuck in the comedy window.

**Travis**: [spoofing Dave Matthews] I gotta go. But not because of that, 'cause I'm choosing to leave on my own time.

**Griffin**: Yeah, get— get the fuck out of here. Yeah, you're choosing to leave. Get out of here, Dave.

Travis: [spoofing Dave Matthews] This is my choice, not yours.

Justin: [laughs]

**Travis**: [spoofing Dave Matthews] [sings] You baby.

**Justin**: Let's go to the Money Zone.

[theme song plays]

**Travis**: It was me the whole time.

**Justin**: Where the fuck have you been?

**Griffin**: Yeah. Yeah, good.

Travis: Ah...

**Justin**: Sorry, that's how I start every ad now.

Travis: Yeah.

Griffin: Yeah.

**Justin**: It's— I think it's—

Travis: Very aggressive, but it works.

**Justin**: Have you been on the internet?

Travis: Oh?

**Justin**: Because if you have been on the internet, you've seen a lot of great websites. And you start looking at 'em and you think, "I could never... I never could make a great website like this." Well, I got news for you, my friend. You definitely could. Squarespace makes it easy enough for anybody to make a website. And update a website, Travis has used it multiple times.

**Travis**: Correct.

Justin: And if we can do it—

Griffin: I did it once.

Justin: ... Friend, anybody can.

Griffin: I did.

Justin: Griffin did it too.

Griffin: I did it once.

**Travis**: Let me just throw this out there, now might be a great time to start working— You know how you had that great idea for a social media website? This might be a great time to start on that.

**Justin**: I don't know if Squarespace could build a social media network for you. But they could probably make a blank Google document and that's about... that's a social network, if you think about it.

**Griffin**: Yeah, sure.

**Travis**: It would work better at this point than some other things.

**Justin**: If it would just be chill... They got really cool templates, they're kind of like building blocks you can move around to put the pieces exactly where you want it. You don't have to code stuff, you just have to make something that you like.

And they have these templates that make it easy to do, that have already been created for you by people who really know what they're doing. And I think you could benefit from it, I think it's worth a shot. It's fun to make websites with Squarespace, that's what I'll say.

Griffin: Yeah.

Justin: I mean, that's my own personal take.

**Travis**: Yeah, and you know what? You know what I'll say? If you're like, "I don't know about building a website..." I believe in you.

**Justin**: Yeah. And you don't even have—there's no risk. But listen to this, check out squarespace.com/mybrother for a free trial. And when you're ready to launch, use offer code My Brother to save 10% off your first purchase of a website or domain.

**Travis**: That's good. That's a good deal.

Justin: It's a good deal!

**Travis**: You know what? It's getting colder. Getting colder here.

Justin: Mm-hmm.

**Travis**: It snowed here in Cincinatti. Snowed!

**Justin**: Yeah, yeah, we had a dusting.

**Travis**: And you know what that means? It's time to break out those sweaters. But you know what? Sometimes—

Justin: Cold?

**Travis**: You don't know what that means? So, when it gets cold, Justin, the Earth is not facing the Sun because—

Justin: I don't— Okay, you're getting—

**Travis**: Thor has gotten between—

**Justin**: I didn't sign up for all this stuff.

**Travis**: Okay. And so—

Griffin: Thor's big body got between us and the Sun.

**Travis**: Yeah. And— 'cause Taika Waititi told him to. So, it's getting colder. It's time to break out those sweaters. I just got some brand-new sweaters, right. Because some of my sweaters... they're getting a little thin, a little mothy.

Gotta keep 'em away from those moths, guys. I don't know why I let those moths in there. They're eating up my sweaters. I got some new sweaters though, from Stitch Fix. They're comfy, they're cozy. One of the sweaters looks like Chris Evans' sweater from Knives Out. What's up?

Griffin: Ooh.

Justin: Oh, nice.

**Travis**: Oh yeah, baby. So, if you're like, "I would like to have a replica of Chris Evans'—"

**Griffin**: That is the chunkiest cable knit I have... I have... I don't know how that thing stays together, so chunky cable knit.

**Travis**: It's mostly held together by the salt of the ocean spray as you're out catching lobsters on a cold New England morning.

Griffin: It's just... It's just his body pressing outward against the—

**Travis**: Mm-hmm.

**Griffin**: ... The cable knit fabric, that it's just like kind of, with tension, holding the whole thing on him.

Travis: Stitch Fix—

**Griffin**: He takes it off and it unspools.

Travis: He takes it off?

**Griffin**: When he takes off the sweater, it just comes completely undone.

**Travis**: Well, now you're got people thinking about Chris Evans taking his sweater off, Griffin. We lost 'em, they're out of here now.

Griffin: I know, Travis—

**Justin**: Yeah, Earth's sexiest man this year.

**Griffin**: Stitch Fix asked me to do that, to associate—

Travis: Oh, okay.

**Griffin**: ... Like their brand with like Captain America's bod. Go ahead.

**Travis**: Oh, I see. Stitch Fix is an easy way to get clothes that fit you, without having to endlessly scroll through options. And you don't even have to Google to see Chris Evan's naked body, you can just picture it right in your head. All you have to do is answer a few questions— That's in the copy? That's weird.

Justin: [laughs]

**Travis**: All you have to do is answer a few questions about where you typically get your clothes from, what you like to wear, your price range and where you would take Chris Evans on an expensive dinner? Okay. With your choice in mind and a wide range of sizes available from extra small to XXXL, they'll find your perfect fit and send you clothes handpicked by Chris Evans, just for you.

Oh, there's an asterisk next to that. It says, "\*Might not be Chris Evans." So, there you go. Right now, Stitch Fix is offering my listeners— [chuckles] my listeners, \$20 off their first Stitch Fix, at stitchfix.com/mybrother. That's stitchfix.com/mybrother for \$20 off today. Stitchfix.com/mybrother. All clothes previously worn by Chris Evans. Ooh!

**Griffin**: Woah!

Travis: Oh, another asterisk. It's another asterisk.

Justin: Wow, is that accurate, or no?

**Travis**: No, it's—that's not true, it looks like.

Griffin: No.

**Justin**: It's not. Okay, that's not accurate.

**Travis**: No. I'm sorry, guys.

[Dr. Gameshow theme music plays]

**Jo**: Manolo, guess what? Manolo, guess what?

Manolo: Woah, woah, what?

**Jo**: Dr. Gameshow has made it to 100 episodes on Maximum Fun!

**Manolo**: Oh, that's true. I knew that.

**Jo**: Well, to celebrate, we're releasing our entire Earwolf archives to Max Fun members. That's anyone who gives \$5 or more monthly to support podcasts like Dr. Gameshow.

**Manolo**: That's 63 episodes within studio. Comedian guests like Jason Mantzoukas, Bowen Yang and Matt Rogers, Joe Pera, Tod Barry and Janeane Garofalo, Conner O'Malley, Chris Gethard and more.

**Jo**: Plus three bonus episodes that include two pilot episodes. Wow, two pilots! Must be good.

**Manolo**: Find the feed at maximumfun.org/boco, B-O-C-O.

**Jo**: It stands for bonus content, mm-hmm.

[Dr. Gameshow theme music concludes]

## [vintage music plays]

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[vintage music ends]

Justin: [mouths Munch Squad riff]

Griffin: Oh?

**Travis**: Dave?

**Justin**: [continues riffing]

**Griffin**: It's not Dave.

**Justin**: [continues riffing and sings] I wanna munch!

**Griffin**: Squad!

Travis: Squad!

**Justin**: [continues riffing and sings] I want to Munch!

**Griffin**: Squad!

**Travis**: Squad!

**Justin**: [concludes riffing] Welcome to Munch Squad. It's a podcast within a podcast that profiles the latest and greatest in brand eating! And I have two stories for you. Just to real quickly cover this one... Wendy's has invo-unveiled its Italian mozzarella sandwiches and—

**Travis**: Were you about to say 'invoked?' [laughs] "Wendy's has invoked—" [chuckles]

**Justin**: I mean, that's... That would be more applicable to this beautiful boy. Look at— Look at that.

**Travis**: I'd rather not.

Griffin: Show me this beautiful boy.

**Justin**: Look at this beauty.

**Griffin**: Oh, I see some fresh mozzarella.

Justin: Wendy's unveils Italian mozzarella sandwiches and garlic fries.

Travis: Huh?

**Justin**: Do you see it now?

Griffin: Oh, that looks really good to me.

Travis: Yeah, but there's two— Okay...

**Justin**: You could guess what those are for 100,000 eons.

**Griffin**: [chuckles]

**Travis**: Well, I'm— I mean, it looks like chicken and mozzarella. And then maybe marinara on top?

Justin: Okay, good...

**Griffin**: And maybe an onion ring?

Travis: But in between the mozzarella and the marinara...

Griffin: Is that onion? Is that an onion ring?

**Justin**: "Wendy's all new mozzarella chicken sandwich, the Italian mozzarella cheeseburger and garlic fries are bringing bold and savory innovations to menus this winter. Stacked in your— "Someone writing this press release was having the time of their fucking lives. And it's mainly why I wanted to bring it to you today. "Stacked... Stacked in your favor with flavor— " [laughs]

**Griffin**: [laughs] Good.

**Justin**: "Stacked in your favor with flavor, this match made in Italian heaven—"

**Griffin**: Which is a different heaven for Italians. [laughs]

**Travis**: I didn't know that they were separated out like that?

**Griffin**: [through laughter] Why do they have to have their own heaven?

**Justin**: "In segregated heaven..." [laughs]

**Griffin**: [laughs]

**Justin**: Why... "It's a match made in Italian heaven."

Griffin: [laughs]

**Justin**: It's like how we only gave them one seasoning, you know what I mean? They're only allowed to use Italian seasoning.

Travis: Mm-hm.

Griffin: Yeah.

**Justin**: "... Italian heaven will—" This is one sentence. "Stacked in your favor with flavor, this match made in Italian heaven will fulfill your comfort food—" They, "... Will fulfill you comfort food cravings—"

**Griffin**: You don't have to bring it— Fulfill means that!

**Travis**: That's not a play on words! That's what it means!

**Griffin**: It's what it means!

**Justin**: Yeah, it's italicized. "... Will fulfill your comfort food—"

Travis: Italian sized, Justin. Please.

**Justin**: Thank you. "... Will fulfill your comfort food cravings and leave you satis-fried."

**Travis**: Ah, yeah! [laughs]

**Justin**: I'm going to make it a Max Fun stretch goal that I will get this sentence tattooed on my body. I think it's the best sentence I have ever read on Munch Squad.

**Griffin**: It's a lot of words, though...

**Justin**: There's eight different things. "The Italian Mozzarella Chicken Sandwich brings all the familiar flavors of a homemade Italian dinner in one delicious sandwich."

**Travis**: Do you hear that? Do you hear that. Italian culture? We've summed it all up in a Wendy's chicken sandwich!

**Justin**: We summed it all up.

Griffin: We did it.

**Justin**: "This juicy, lightly breaded crispy chicken breast is topped with ooeygooey fried mozzarella cheese, savory marinara sauce and naturally aged, rich Asiago cheese. All held—"

Travis: Oh, wait.

Griffin: Wait.

Justin: Yeah?

Griffin: So, that's one big cheese stick?

**Travis**: So, that second patty...

**Justin**: So, it's a big loaf of cheese, on top of chicken and cheese, and mozzarella, and then it's all wrapped up with a, "Towering toasted golden garlic knot bun."

Griffin: Friends— Friends at home—

**Travis**: Well, I think I can speak for Italian Jessus when I say, mamma mia.

Griffin: Yeah...

**Justin**: [in Italian accent] This is a crime.

**Griffin**: This is—

**Travis**: [laughs] You're going to Italian hell.

**Griffin**: [laughs]

**Justin**: [laughs]

**Griffin**: Folks at home who can't see... When Justin says fried cheese, we are not talking about cheese in the traditional dimensions that one is used to seeing cheese.

Travis: Yeah.

**Griffin:** This is a... it looks like one-inch-tall round of cheese—

Travis: Yeah.

Justin: Loaf.

Griffin: A round load of cheese that has been fried.

**Travis**: And then, if I may, a very pale bun.

**Justin**: Well, it's a garlic knot.

Griffin: Yeah. So, it's kind of a bun.

Travis: Well, it's not. It's a bun.

Justin: It's a garlic knot bun.

**Travis**: It's not garlic.

Justin: You can get it—

**Griffin**: It's a garlic knot-bun. It's both.

**Justin**: You can get it as a hamburger instead of a chicken sandwich. And then it says, "Cheesy square goodness for all."

**Travis**: Ah, just like mamma used to make.

**Griffin**: Wait, hold on. Does it say that in the context of a larger paragraph? Or is it just sort of marginalia? Like, someone has just written this as a note on the press release.

Justin: [laughs]

Griffin: Like, "Mm-hmm, cheesy square goodness for all."

**Justin**: "For those fresh—"

**Travis**: It's a footnote at the bottom. [laughs]

Griffin: Yeah.

**Justin**: "For those fresh, never frozen beef fans, the sandwich is also available as a hamburger instead of a chicken sandwich. Cheesy square goodness for all."

**Griffin**: Wait, it just says that as its— That's not even a complete thought.

**Travis**: Well, let him finish the thing. "Cheesy square goodness to all. And to all a good night."

**Griffin**: [chuckles]

**Justin**: Now this is good, "Coated in a flavorful garlic herb sauce, the Garlic Fries are made with Wendy's natural-cut, Hot & Crispy French Fries and make the perfect pairing for those cozy winter vibes."

Griffin: Yeah.

**Justin**: "Can you smell the mouthwatering aroma of garlic yet?" [laughs]

Travis: No?

Justin: No? Is this—

**Griffin**: I've never... PR has never asked me a question before. I didn't know that I was on the clock for this.

**Travis**: Do we have to write it in? Like, to be— How do we answer?

**Griffin**: I think the answer is cheesy square goodness for all.

**Justin**: "We have a winning track record of taking familiar favorites and combining them in exciting new ways, to deliver a culinary experience that you won't find anywhere else." Thank god. "The Italian Mozzarella Sandwiches are forged from the same delicious inspiration and innovation, giving fans an adventurous flavor experience with every bite," says John Li. You know, when I go to Wendy's, what am I going there for? Nothing if not adventure.

Griffin: Yeah. And also—

**Travis**: And you step up to Italian Hephaestus and says, "Forge me a sandwich. Thank you."

Justin: [laughs]

**Griffin**: Forge me in your... your heavens forge. Your Italian heavens forge. I do wanna say that every time I go to Wendy's in my car and I get the car food to eat it while I'm at the parking lot of like... you know, my son's children's theater class, because I ran out of time to eat a normal meal. I do always think, "God dang, I wish these fries were wet. Like, really, really, really wet."

Travis: Mm-hmm.

**Justin**: [laughs] Like, really so sloppy.

**Griffin**: Like, so sloppy and wet. I would love to have that in my car. This wet fry energy.

**Travis**: And to make the whole car smell like garlic too. That'd be nice.

**Griffin**: Wet and stinky too. Please, give me that. Now, Wendy's. For me, Dave.

**Justin**: Yeah, they wanna be the sloppy provider. [laughs]

**Griffin**: Give me sloppy—

**Travis**: It's an adventure!

Griffin: [in silly voice] Give me sloppy. Give me wet. Dave.

Justin: [laughs]

**Griffin**: [in silly voice] Dave Thomas, give me sloppy.

Justin: We're not just about—

**Griffin**: I'm gonna make a Max Fun Drive stretch goal, I'm gonna get Dave Thomas, "Give me sloppy," tattooed on my body.

Justin: [laughs]

**Travis**: No, wait. Is that Dave Thomas saying it? Is it like, give me sloppy— Or is it like a picture of Dave—

Justin: It's not Dave Matthews.

Griffin: Oh, it's a picture of Dave Thomas—

Justin: Dave Thomas.

**Griffin**: ... With a speech bubble coming out of his head that says, "Give me sloppy." But it's the actor Dave Thomas.

Travis: Oh!

**Justin**: Probably the best— Probably the best thing that I'd like to see is those two trading jobs for a day.

**Griffin**: That'd be funny.

Justin: Right?

**Griffin**: Yeah.

Justin: That'd be funny.

Travis: Oh, like trading being a comedian and being dead?

Justin: [laughs] Okay.

Griffin: Being a long, long dead restauranteur?

Justin: An icon, not long dead. Real quick, just—

**Griffin**: "How was the Dave Matthews concert?"

"Weird. Quiet. It was a quiet one." [laughs]

**Travis**: [laughs] Wait, who's switching voices? Dave Matthews, Dave Thomas or Dave Thomas, the actor? I'm so confused. Are they all three switching? Are they all gonna pee in a fountain together?

**Griffin**: Just throw 'em in the bag and we'll pull out which one we need.

**Travis**: [laughs] Mix 'em up. Can't tell the difference.

**Justin**: Popeyes, gotta give them a quick shoutout. They got a new sandwich. It's the Blackened Chicken Sandwich. They're starting the chicken wars anew with the Blackened Chicken Sandwich. And I just wanna give a shoutout to their Twitter.

Because their press campaign on this is, "To the copycats that tried to copy our Chicken Sandwich back in 2019, here are the ingredients of our new, breading-free, flavor-full Blackened Chicken Sandwich. Now try to copy us again." And there is a list of ingredients for the sandwich right there.

Travis: Woah!

Justin: So, they're like, "Come on! Let's go."

Travis: Shots fired.

**Justin**: "Here, we'll give you a leg up. You wanna keep your ingredients secret? We're gonna put 'em on Twitter."

**Travis**: Now, Justin, I— You have just made me think about what an impact the current state of Twitter is going to have on Munch Squad. Because anybody could claim to be a restaurant and just make up some wild shit.

Griffin: Yeah...

Justin: Yeah.

Travis: And like, we could record it and have to walk it back. Can you

imagine?

**Justin**: Oh my gosh!

Griffin: Embarrassing.

**Travis**: It would be such a blow to our integrity as an organization.

Griffin: Yeah. All right... Gross.

**Justin**: Hey, that's our—that's our program. Thank you so much, seriously, to everybody who came out to see us in Cincinatti, Detroit and D.C. Absolutely super-duper fun shows. We had a great time, we really hope you did too.

**Travis**: It might be three of our best—three of our best live shows.

Justin: I mean, it's hard to say.

Griffin: We did do four shows, so-

**Travis**: And an amazing Adventure Zone.

**Griffin**: Oh, okay.

**Travis**: And an amazing Aventure Zone.

Griffin: Oh, okay.

**Travis**: Thank you to Brennan Lee Mulligan for that, by the way. Anybody who came to the D.C. TAZ got a real treat.

**Justin**: It was... That one was... That one was wild. That was a wild show. [chuckles]

**Travis**: I can't stop talking about it. Like, I literally have kept telling people. And then, how it ended, oh my.

**Griffin**: Hey, how about, we got Candlenights coming up.

**Travis**: Yes, we do.

**Griffin**: Pretty soon. It's gonna be virtual again this year. We're doing it cyber style. December 17<sup>th</sup>, 9:00 PM, eastern time. Tickets are on sale—

Travis: We're gonna cyber.

**Griffin**: We're gonna cyber— Tickets— Tickets are on sale now at bit.ly/candlenights2022. It's gonna be a really fun time. We have fun special guests lined up. We're gonna have skits and sketches and—

Justin: Woah.

**Travis**: Yeah, bits too.

**Griffin:** There will be a hand full of bits. And the—

**Travis**: And all proceeds for that show go to Harmony House.

**Griffin**: I was just about to say that, yeah. But go ahead.

**Travis**: Oh, yeah. They go to Harmony House. So, when you buy tickets, there is just the base ticket option. But you can also choose to give more if you'd like to, to help the people of Harmony House help people who are experiencing homelessness in our hometown of Huntington, West Virginia.

You guys have all like steeped up so much in the past. We love doing it and we're excited to do it again this year. And yeah, thank you to you and thank you to our guests. It's gonna be real fun.

**Griffin**: There's also an exclusive Candlenights 2022 poster and a Candlenights ornament. Both designed by Bree Paulsen. And sales for those

will also benefit Harmony House. So, that's coming up, December 17<sup>th</sup>. Don't sleep on it, get your tickets now at bit.ly/candlenights2022.

**Travis**: And speaking of merch, 10% of all merch proceeds this month go to NĀTIFS, which promotes indigenous foodways education and facilitates indigenous food access. Once again, mcelroymerch.com, you can find all of that.

We've got some more shows. It's our like... 20... Rendezvous in 2023, Fancy Takes Flight Tour. It's the shows we had to reschedule. Those are in San José and Denver. April 27<sup>th</sup>, San José, California is Adventure Zone with Aabria. April 28<sup>th</sup> is San José, My Brother, My Brother and Me. April 29<sup>th</sup> is Denver.

All existing tickets will be honored for the new dates. And if you would like to get tickets, now that they have been rescheduled, you can get those as well. Mask and proof of full vaccination or negative COVID test within 72 hours of event start is required.

Also, one more thing, preorders for TAZ: 11<sup>th</sup> Hour are open now. It comes out February 21<sup>st</sup>. But go ahead and preorder now, why wait? Theadventurezonecomic.com. Like Justin mentioned, we started the TikTok channel for McElroy Family. So, go follow that if you haven't.

Griffin: Yeah.

**Travis**: You can also find McElroy Family on Instagram. As well as the YouTube channel, The McElroy Family, where we do streaming stuff from time to time.

**Griffin**: Yeah.

**Travis**: We've been doing a lot of Fortnite on there.

**Griffin**: Funny stuff.

**Travis**: And a lot of other stuff. So, go check it out.

**Griffin**: Thanks to— I'm gonna thank Montaigne for the use of our theme song, My Life Is Better With You. I'm gonna struggle through it 'cause Justin keeps making his Haunted Doll that we all have to keep in our office, do like a— do like a funny Fortnite dance.

Justin: That's for kids! That bit's for kids!

**Travis**: Justin, I've seen that doll. I ordered it. That doll isn't for kids and should not be witnessed by children.

**Griffin**: No, it sucks.

**Justin**: I love that guy—

**Travis**: What's that— do you remember that doll's name? What's his name,

Justin?

Justin: Jack.

Travis: Jack?

Griffin: Jack.

**Travis**: There was a parenthesis next to it, that I think makes it not

appropriate for kids.

**Griffin:** Meoff.

**Travis**: [chuckles]

**Griffin**: Is the last name. So, that's it for this show. And I think Justin wanted to share a little word of wisdom as we walk away from it. Walk away from the burning wreckage.

**Justin**: Yeah, absolutely. Yeah, I mean, I've always got something... something to share.

**Travis**: You know what? I'm actually gonna say, we've shared a lot of wisdom. How about some words of comfort, Justin?

Justin: Oh, yeah.

Griffin: Yeah.

Justin: Yeah, yeah. That's—

**Griffin**: Or just read whatever Bible verse you're googling right now, too.

Justin: No, I had some ones about that. And this is— Let— Hm... No, I don't

want-

**Griffin**: Do another badass one that's like if you—

**Justin**: I don't want it to be too Jesusy, you know?

Griffin: Yeah.

**Travis**: Yeah, yeah, yeah.

**Griffin**: No, I wanted badass one that's like, "If you fuck'n lie, cut your own

head off and put it in a volcano."

**Travis**: That'll make you think.

**Justin**: [stammers]

**Griffin**: Eat violence. Eat violence—

Justin: Eat violence.

**Griffin**: ... And shit justice. Don't borrow.

**Justin**: Eat violence. Cut your own feet off. [laughs]

**Griffin**: Cut your own feet off, eat violence and don't borrow. And go to your house before you buy it.

**Justin**: Matthew 5:4 tells us, "Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted." So, I guess what I'm saying is like don't even trip.

Griffin: Don't even trip.

Travis: Yeah, man.

Justin: [chuckles] It's fine.

**Griffin**: It all comes out. It all comes out in the wash.

Justin: Yeah, it'll be fine.

**Travis**: I guess what we're saying is, it's totally cool that you're sad. It's awesome, man. Don't worry—

**Justin**: It's fine. It'll be fine. It'll— Yeah. It's fine.

**Travis**: It's awesome.

**Griffin**: It kicks— It kind of kicks ass that you're sad, actually.

Justin: Yeah.

Travis: Yeah.

**Justin**: 'Cause then you can be comforted. That's—

**Travis**: It gives us somebody to comfort, so that we can feel superior.

**Justin**: It's just—

Griffin: Yeah, man. Yeah.

**Justin**: Sadness is just an opportunity.

**Griffin**: Sadness is just not— is just an opportunity to get happy later. Eat your own feet.

Justin: [laughs]

Travis: [laughs]

Justin: My name's Justin McElroy.

**Travis**: [through laughter] I'm Travis McElroy.

Griffin: [chuckles] I'm Griffin McElroy.

**Justin**: This has been My Brother, My Brother and Me. Kiss your dad square on the lips.

Travis: [laughs]

[theme song, "My Life Is Better With You" by Montaigne plays]

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