

MBMBaM 709: Face 2 Face: Personal Hot Dog Thermos

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Clint: [yells] The McElroy Brothers are not experts.

[audience cheers]

Clint: And their advice should never be followed. Oh, Travis claims 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, just so you babies out there will know how cool you are for listenin'.

[audience cheers]

Clint: [yells] What's up, you cool baby?!

[theme music, "My Life (Is Better With You)!" by Montaigne plays]

[audience cheers]

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

[audience cheers]

Travis: What's up, Trav Nation?

[audience cheers]

Travis: For one night only, we've annexed Chicago, Illinois into Trav Nation!

[audience cheers]

Travis: You all belong to me. [chuckles]

[audience laughs]

Griffin: You have to—

Travis: I'm your middlest brother— I wasn't done.

[audience laughs]

Travis: Travis McElroy.

[audience cheers]

Travis: And the hat's already comin' off.

[audience laughs]

Griffin: And I'm your— And I am your sweet, baby brother and Thirty Under Thirty media luminary, Griffin McElroy.

[audience cheers]

Justin: This'll be the image they use for the "Where are they now" in 10 years.

[audience laughs]

Justin: "So listen, we have a pretty good hit rate here, with our luminaries."

Travis: I— Once again, I would also throw out, every year I'm struck by the costumes end up being something Justin would probably wear in real life, something Travis would probably wear in real life, and Griffin's choices.

[audience laughs]

Griffin: I asked what the dress code was for today's show. You guys said, "mushroom."

[audience laughs]

Justin: Griffin also continued his proud tradition of not trying on his costume.

[audience laughs]

Justin: And not a bit, I saw him pull it out of—

Griffin: [laughs] It's a child's hat.

[audience laughs]

Justin: [chuckles] I watched him pull it out of that child's hat bag, it is 100% fresh, unworn, unwashed.

Griffin: [laughs] We also came to the realization backstage.

[audience laughs]

Justin: Griff— Sorry, Griffin reeks of freighter right now.

Griffin: [laughs]

Justin: It's hard to—

Griffin: I'm the only one of us onstage who can't take their hat off because if I do, all of a sudden, I'm doing a very low quality, I would say tasteless, recreation of Aladdin.

[audience laughs]

Griffin: If I take my hat off, the outfit becomes appropriative. Those are the stakes!

[audience laughs]

Justin: [laughs]

Griffin: Those are the stakes, the hat's stayin' fuckin' on.

Justin: Wear this child's toadstool hat or get cancelled!

Griffin: [chuckles]

[audience laughs]

Justin: That's your evening.

Travis: Griffin, what we've got is kind of a fox and chicken and bag of grain scenario—

Justin: [chuckles]

Travis: — where the vest has to come off first, then the hat can come off safely.

[audience laughs]

Griffin: And then I can put the vest— [laughs]

Justin: And then the shirt—

Travis: No no no! You can't put the vest back on once the hat's off.

Griffin: Oh shit!

Justin: Can you—

Travis: If you put the hat back on, you can put the vest back on.

Justin: Now Griffin, can I ask super quick—

Travis: Don't ever take your pants off.

Griffin: [giggles]

[audience laughs]

Justin: If you could stand— Speaking of the pants, could you stand real quick, Griffin? I just need to ask a quick question. Are those special—

[audience member cheers]

Justin: Are those special Toad pants, or are they karate pants?

[audience laughs]

Justin: 'Cause they look like karate pants to me, and I was curious.

Griffin: They were a part of a Toad costume, Justin.

[audience laughs]

Griffin: Even though they might look like what could only be described as a long-sleeved diaper. They are—

[audience laughs]

Justin: [simultaneously] Something for the—

Travis: [simultaneously] [through laughter] Your Toad vest is shedding onto your T-shirt.

Griffin: Yeah, that'll happen with high-quality garments, Travis.

Justin: [wheezes]

Griffin: They take a while. It's called "pilling."

Justin: No.

Griffin: And good garments do it.

Justin: [wheezes]

[audience laughs]

Griffin: Good garments pill, Travis.

Justin: Yeah.

Griffin: So don't get on my fucking ass about it.

Justin: My entire outfit cost \$14 on Amazon, I feel so fuckin' flammable right now, you have absolutely no clue.

[audience cheers]

Justin: I had them turn down the lights a little bit just for safety's sake, so I didn't just immolate right here.

Travis: I just— I feel like a fancy prince and I love it.

Griffin: You look it.

Justin: Oh that's wonderful.

[audience cheers]

Justin: This is an advice show, okay? That's how it works. [chuckles] You send us your questions.

Travis: Deal with it.

Justin: Sorry.

Griffin: Maybe we haven't done it like this in over six months, but—

Justin: But.

[audience chuckles]

Travis: We've still got it.

Griffin: [chuckles] Yeah, for sure.

Travis: We've still—

Justin: I— Le— Thank you for coming, by the way.

Griffin: Yeah, y'all are wild.

Justin: It's really nice to be here.

[audience cheers loudly]

Travis: You know what I've always said about Chicago, Justin?

Justin: It is the home of our— Anybody know? Fun facts trivia. Chicago is the...

Griffin: Da— Our real dad!

Travis: Nope nope nope.

Justin: Oh.

[audience laughs]

Justin: It's the first city we ever played live.

Griffin: That's true, that's true.

Travis: That's true.

[audience cheers]

Travis: But Justin. Just to back up—

Griffin: And last!

Justin: Dun dun duuun.

[audience chuckles]

Travis: For reference, you can't start a sentence with "Chicago is the home of 'blank'," and expect us to know what the rest of that might be.

Justin: Well yeah, but in your head—

Griffin: So many people live here, dude.

Justin: Yeah, but it's like—

[audience laughs]

Justin: That's what springs to mind.

Griffin: Yeah, sure.

Travis: Yes, but you know what springs to mind for me, Justin?

Justin: What?

Travis: Sheer class.

Justin: Oh. Yes, I guess it's—

Travis: This is a classy city.

Justin: It is a classy city, for sure, yeah.

Griffin: Yeah, man.

Travis: And so I thought, since it was such a classy city.

Griffin: Oh no, which one is it?

Travis: We should class up the show.

Griffin: With which one, Trav? Give it to me straight, man.

Travis: And maybe talk about some Works of Fart.

Griffin: Alright.

[audience cheers loudly]

[Works of Fart stinger plays]

[audience laughs]

Griffin: I hate being onstage when that stinger... plays.

[audience laughs]

Griffin: I should be allowed—

Justin: Did you say— Sorry, did you say, "stinker"?

[audience laughs]

Justin: Did you?

Griffin: It was a good joke! What do you want— You want me to—?!

Travis: [yells] I wanted an audible laugh 'cause it's an audio podcast!

Justin: Okay. No.

Travis: [yells] You can't sit looking amused to yourself!

[audience laughs]

Griffin: I did a point.

Justin: I— [chuckles]

Griffin: Which is all that joke deserved.

Justin: [wheezes]

Griffin: And then you guys fucking froze the show for the people here like, "No, I'm gonna get my fuckin' nut"!

Justin: [wheezes]

[audience laughs]

Griffin: "On this joke!"

Justin: I just wanted an answer of you, up or down. It's not that—

Griffin: Yeah. Good!

Justin: [wheezes]

Griffin: Sorry, I used the wrong finger when I did a point. I should've done a—

Justin: I didn't know if you had made the joke first! And I didn't wanna steal it from you.

Griffin: [shouts] Wooooo!

[audience laughs]

Griffin: I've never made that sound before in my life.

Travis: I believe you meant [imitating Mario] "Wa-hoo!"

[audience laughs]

Justin: [laughs]

Griffin: Actually.

[audience claps]

Justin: Oh no.

Griffin: Toad doesn't sound like that.

[audience laughs]

Travis: Not my Toad. #NotMyToad.

[audience laughs]

Griffin: [chuckles]

Justin: Okay.

Griffin: Let's start the podcast. Over.

Travis & Griffin: [laugh]

[audience laughs]

Travis: The year is 2010! Okay.

Griffin: What could possibly be on there?

Travis: The answers.

Griffin: To Work of Fart? You can't get the Work of Fart answers locked away in your brain?

Travis: I don't wanna get it wrong, that would be embarrassing.

Griffin: Okay.

[audience laughs]

Travis: In this classic—!

Griffin: Did you explain what Work of Fart is?

[audience laughs]

Griffin: You haven't done it in a long ass time, you should explain what it is.

Travis: I will... describe a classic work of art.

Griffin: Yeah.

Travis: With some minor changes.

Griffin: Yeah.

Justin: Puerile in nature.

Travis: [uncertain] Mm...

Griffin: Yes.

Travis: Eye of the beholder. And Justin and Griffin will have to guess what the title of that classic—

Griffin: It's way more fun than it sounds, trust me, you're gonna get into it.

Travis: You're the one who made me describe it!

Justin: He's right.

Griffin: Okay, you're right, yeah.

[audience laughs]

Travis: In this classic children's story.

[audience laughs and murmurs with nervous anticipation]

Travis: Trapped in a magical, whimsical, upside-down world... A lost penis must find his way home.

Griffin: Narnia, Barnia, Farnia, Skarnia.

Travis: Wrong direction.

Griffin: Shit! Magical upside-down world?

Justin: Flaccid—

Travis: Whimsical!

Griffin: Whimsical, oh.

Justin: *Flaccid in Wonderland?*

Travis: No, close.

[audience chuckles]

Griffin: *Alice in Chunder*— "Chunder" isn't anything. Chund—

[audience laughs]

Griffin: Alice. Al—

Travis: Justin was closer.

Griffin: What was it— What did he say? A limp—

Justin: *Phallus in Wonderland!*

Travis: There it is! *Phallus in Wonderland.*

[audience cheers]

[airhorn siren sound effect plays]

[audience claps]

Justin: Nothin' feels worse than winning this game.

Griffin: [laughs]

[audience laughs]

Travis: The next is a classic film.

Griffin & Justin: [simultaneously] Okay.

Justin: Ooo. [chuckles]

Travis: Mm.

Justin: Alright.

Travis: In this classic film.

Griffin: Love those. Soooo exciting and funny and good, all of them.

Travis: Paul Newman's character makes a bet that he can eat a bunch of boiled eggs, and then he vomits everywhere.

Griffin: *Cool Hand Puke!* [grunts in satisfaction]

Travis: [chuckles] Yes.

[audience chuckles]

Griffin: [continues grunting in satisfaction]

[audience cheers]

Travis: In case you couldn't hear it, that was *Cool Hand Puke*, yes Griffin.

[airhorn sound effect plays]

Travis: It's one and one.

Griffin: I don't know how to celebrate.

Justin: I would ask—

Griffin: [laughs] I just realized.

Justin: I would ask that you let Travis finish his great skit that he wrote down.

Griffin: Nah man, if I've got it—

Justin: Okay.

Griffin: — I'm gonna fire.

Justin: That's fine.

Griffin: You can't stop me from doin' that.

[audience laughs]

Griffin: [sings] I got the heart of a champion.

[audience laughs]

Travis: This is the tiebreaker.

Griffin: `Kay.

Travis: This... line became the title of a book which there was an editorial written answering whether or not Santa Claus existed to a young labia.

Justin: *Yes Vagina, There is a Santa Claus?*

Travis: Yes!

Griffin: Damn it!

[airhorn sound effect plays]

[audience cheers]

Justin: Really good. Really good. Way better than Griffin. Twice as good.

Griffin: I almost ripped my hat off and threw it in protest.

[audience laughs]

Griffin: But I can't.

Travis: Yup. Yup.

Justin: You can't. I— Okay, advice show. Back on track.

Griffin: [cackles]

Justin: "I live— "

[audience laughs]

Justin: "I live in an apartment in Chicago. Classic. I—"

[audience laughs]

Justin: That was not be editorializing, it says, "Classic" in the email.

[audience laughs]

Justin: I guess that's a classic thing to live—

Griffin: We've all done it, yeah.

Justin: Live in an apartment in Chicago is— Okay, classic. "And one of my neighbors—" Some people like, "Yeah, I live in an apartment." [claps politely]

Griffin: "Yeah, sure."

[audience laughs]

Justin: "One of my neighbors in the building right next to mine has a wind chime hung outside their backdoor. Being the windy city, you could probably infer the sound hell this makes."

[audience chuckles]

Justin: "There looks to be around four apartments in the building, but I have no way of knowing which one is theirs. How can I let my feelings be known?" That's from *Sleepless in Chicago*.

[audience laughs]

Travis: Here's what I'll say—

Griffin: "These damned wind chimes have take everything from us!"

[audience laughs]

Travis: There's only one reason for wind chimes to exist and it's to signal that there's some bad magic flying into town.

Griffin & Justin: [simultaneously] Yeah.

Travis: Right?

[audience laughs]

Travis: Like—

Griffin: The Grim Reaper.

Travis: “Ohhh, a wicked wind’s a-blowin’.”

Griffin: Yeah.

Travis: Right? That’s the only time.

Griffin: Some teen had a premonition that allowed them to escape their rightful death. The wind chimes are a way— an alert system of letting you know.

Travis: That doe— There’s never a time in a movie that a wind chime blows and people are like, “Ooo!”

Griffin: “Ooo! That sounds fuckin’ great!” Yeah, that’s the thing, wind chimes are busted. They can only play one song.

Justin: Yeah.

[audience laughs]

Justin: That’s a good point, Griffin, we should ha—

Travis: You can’t even tune `em.

Griffin: You—

Justin: What if you had a Bluetooth speaker— Hi, sharks. It’s a Bluetooth speaker.

[audience laughs]

Justin: When wind blows through the hole, we call it the “reception hole,” and if wind blows through it, it’ll play any damn song you want, or one of 20 songs on shuffle.

Griffin: Ooo!

Travis: Ohhh.

Justin: Yeah.

[audience chuckles]

Travis: As the wind gets stronger, the music gets louder.

Griffin: [laughs]

Justin: It comes pre-loaded with a selection of holiday tunes that are all in the public domain, but you can upload your own—

Travis: Yeah.

Justin: — stuff if you want.

Travis: I would like an anti-wind chime that makes noise when it's not windy, 'cause I can hear when it's windy.

Griffin: Yeah, wind makes its own noise, guys.

Travis: I can see when it's windy.

[audience laughs]

Justin: Yeah.

Travis: But if I look outside and there's stillness, that bothers me.
[chuckles]

Justin: Yeah.

[audience laughs]

Justin: Yeah, I mean if you can— Yeah. Maybe bigger wind chimes than they have.

Travis: Oh!

Justin: Like really deep ones, that are even scarier than theirs, I guess?

Griffin: Yeah yeah yeah.

[audience laughs]

Justin: I like that the question asker includes the detail that they don't know where the person lives, as though that information would be in any way helpful to them,

[audience laughs]

Justin: Or actionable for this person whatsoever. You gonna go knock on the door? You gonna give it a quick tap?

Travis: I will say this, if I put up wind chimes and someone knocked on my door, before I even open the door I think "Time to take the wind chimes down."

Griffin: Yeah. [chuckles] "I get it." [laughs]

[audience laughs]

Griffin: Yeah.

Justin: Yeah.

Griffin: "Hey, I... I heard it too."

Travis: "Yeah, I know."

Griffin: "And it fuckin' sucks."

Travis: "I know. I was already on the fence about it as I was doing it, I bought 'em while I was on vacation at the beach. It was that or a dried-out seashell or whatever."

Griffin: "They're really nice— They're— For what it's worth, they're really nice wind chimes."

Travis: "I'm gonna hang 'em inside, that felt dumb, but I see now hanging 'em outside was way worse. I don't know what I was thinking. I was in the moment, I was drunk. I'm so sorry. What's that? Just sign for a package? Oh yeah."

Griffin: "Yeah, sure."

Travis: "Oh, I misread this."

[audience laughs]

Justin: What if you, huh, took the wind chimes down, smashed `em into a thousand pieces.

Griffin: [giggles]

[audience laughs]

Griffin: Yeah.

Justin: And then—

Travis: But you would have to get to them first.

Justin: Yes, you take `em down from— with a stick and then you smash `em into a thousand pieces, and then you put a note where they were that says, "Fuck you," and then— [wheezes]

Griffin: Yeah.

[audience laughs]

Justin: This is my new thing, I wanna try this kinda thing now. You know what I mean?

Griffin: But you understand though that you could give that advice to most questions, but there's a thing called "repercussions of your actions."

[audience laughs]

Travis: Now, here's what you do. You pin it on somebody else. You knock `em down, smash `em, and then you put a note that says, "Sorry, I got too windy. The Wind."

Justin: Okay.

[audience laughs]

Travis: 'Cause here's the thing about wind chimes.

Justin & Griffin: [simultaneously] Yeah yeah yeah.

Travis: There is an amount of wind where they're effective, and it's between here and here.

Griffin: Yeah.

Travis: Right? Because here, no wind, nothing.

Griffin: One to three knots.

Travis: Too much wind, they're gone!

Justin: Gone.

Griffin: They're gone, they're out of here baby.

Justin: Someone else's problem.

Travis: The wind will take care of that for you.

Justin: Yeah. How about another question?

Griffin: I would love that from you.

Justin: "I've learned my boss is a champion collegiate fencer."

[audience oos]

Justin: "How do I—"

Travis: Ooo!

Justin: I know, right?

Griffin: Right reaction, well done. [intrigued] "Oh."

[audience chuckles]

Justin: “How do I introduce more sword fighting into my boring payroll job?”

[audience laughs and cheers]

Justin: Travis told me that he made up the name, so I have to get the pronunciation just right.

Travis: Yes, because this is—

Justin: If you’ll excuse me. Okay. Epee-roll.

[audience chuckles]

Justin: Uh, that was actually—

Griffin: Again, another— You guys are fuckin’ kickin’ ass out there tonight.

[audience laughs]

Griffin: With the correct responses to the jokes comin’ off this stage. It’s really, really impressive.

Justin: It actually makes you feel better when you laugh right. [chuckles]

Travis: Yah.

Griffin: Yes.

[audience laughs]

Justin: It’s better.

Griffin: If you laughed too much at that, I would’ve been like—

Travis: No.

Griffin: — “What the fuck are we doing out here, guys?”

[audience laughs]

Travis: Don't give us that.

Griffin: No no no.

Travis: We don't need that.

Griffin: No no no.

Travis: Epee-roll.

Griffin: Yeah no, oh Trav, oh buddy, you can't try and hit again.

Justin: [wheezes]

[audience laughs]

Justin: [laughs] Now I'm mad.

Griffin: Now—

Travis: [laughs]

Justin: Now I'm against him. Yeah, I mean—

Travis: Wait, are you here?

Justin: You are.

Travis: Alright, here's what you need to do. You can't introduce sword fighting all at once.

Griffin: [laughs]

[audience laughs]

Travis: You have it—

Griffin: It's called "assault," bro.

[audience laughs]

Travis: Yeah. You have to do it... kind of inadvertently, but, pardon my pun, pointedly. When you're— You're going to start pointing at things sharply.

Griffin: Yeah yeah.

Travis: "Hand me that. Where's that? Give me that." Right?

Justin: And trigger—

Travis: And see if he starts countering.

Griffin: Yeah yeah yeah, that's huge.

[audience laughs]

Travis: If he'll meet your point with another point that stops you from pointing all the way. Oh, what's that? It's a tet-a-tet.

Griffin: What if he comes back too hot though, 'cause he's a champion fencer, and you go, "Hey, pa— Hand me those paperclips!" and he just goes, "Ahhh!" [imitates impaling sound effect] and stabs you through the chest with his sword?

[audience chuckles]

Griffin: I just spat all over your face.

Travis: Yeah, where'd the sword come from?

Griffin: From the fuckin' belt that they're wearing all the— Travis.

Travis: Is that how he found out he's a collegiate— Wait.

Griffin: Travis. Travis. If you were an Olympic level fencer—

Travis: Like they said in— [chuckles]

Griffin: Like I think that— Like I think they said that this person is.

[audience chuckles]

Travis: Wait, I think it just said, “award-winning,” was that it?

Griffin: Okay, award-winning—

Justin: What other awards can there be?

Griffin: They’re being humble.

Justin: It’s Olympic.

Griffin: It’s the Olympic gold.

Travis: Okay.

[audience laughs]

Justin: [wheezes]

Griffin: If you’re an Olympic—

Travis: *Yuri on Slice*.

[audience cheers]

Justin: [claps]

Travis: Thank you.

Griffin: That— Great.

[audience claps]

Griffin: I love it. If— If they’re carrying an Olympic gold in fencing, it’s wild that you think that they’re not also carrying a rapier or something with them all the time.

Travis: You would be wearing the medal all the time, yes?

Griffin: The medal would be on all the time, the sword would be on all the time.

Travis: There you go.

Griffin: That way nobody would ask me any questions fuckin' ever.

Travis: Yeah.

[audience laughs]

Griffin: They would look at the gold medal on my chest and be like, "Wow, that's dope. What did he do— Oh, I see the sword on his belt."

Travis: Okay.

Griffin: "Probably sword shit."

[audience laughs]

Griffin: "Be wild if he was a gymnast."

[audience laughs]

Justin: [wheezes] Now, I have a pretty complicated idea if you guys can give me a few minutes of your valuable time.

Griffin: Fuck yeah, man.

[audience laughs]

Griffin: Yeah, we ain't—

Travis: We rarely ask for that space.

Justin: I know, I know. It's weird for me to— But it's like—

Griffin: We're not goin' anywhere, man.

Justin: Yeah, I know. But it's just like you gotta give me a little room, okay?

Griffin: Yeah, sure.

Justin: So, here's—

Griffin: You want us quiet, or can we still do jokes?

Justin: Okay, no you can like ask questions if you want.

Griffin: Okay, cool.

Travis: Okay, 'cause—

Justin: Like— And if it's— If you start to think it's like a bad idea, you can just say that and I'll stop.

Griffin: Okay. Probably won't though.

Justin: [chuckles]

Griffin: That's not really the nature of comedy.

Justin: But just I'd like—

Travis: You asked for the space, Justin.

Justin: Yeah yeah, I'm just saying if you think it's a bad idea...

Travis: If you ask for a runway to take off on, the air traffic controller doesn't go "Actually, don't."

Griffin: You know what, Travis? I would actually love to get this bit started because I don't know how long it's gonna go.

Justin: [wheezes]

Griffin: And I—

[audience laughs]

Justin: Well, okay.

Griffin: I want Justin's space—

Travis: We gotta get these people home.

Griffin: [chuckles] Yeah.

Justin: What if you could arrange for your office to be robbed by Dr. Blade, the Sword Genius?

[audience laughs]

Travis: Uh-huh.

Justin: Now, this is important, this part's very important. For weeks before, you have to start [chuckles] talking up—

Griffin: Dr. Blade—

Justin: — Dr. Blade, the Sword Genius.

Travis: Now.

[audience laughs]

Justin: It's really important that you start saying weeks before.

Griffin: Weeks before—

Justin: "Have you heard of—"

Travis: "Did you see in the paper?" Yeah.

Justin: "Did you see in the paper that Dr. Blade, the Sword Genius struck another business?"

Griffin: Hey, do you think this—

Travis: Do you think you could just start by saying "DB... TSG," and they're like, "What?" And you're like, "Oh, I thought you would know."

Justin: “Dr. Blade—”

Griffin & Justin: [simultaneously] “— the Sword Genius.”

Justin: Yeah.

[audience chuckles]

Griffin: You’re not—

Justin: And then—

Griffin: “Check out this clip on my phone, it’s a news report about Dr. Blade, the Sword Genius. Yeah, the anchor looks a lot like me.”

[audience laughs]

Griffin: “Because it’s my brother.”

Justin: And then you say, I think this part’s gonna be tricky, but you have to start bringing a sword [wheezes] with you.

[audience laughs]

Justin: Because you—

Griffin: Wait, why?

Justin: Because you heard about [wheezes] Dr. Blade, the Sword Genius. Right? And—

Griffin: Oh, cool cool cool.

Justin: And so when Dr. Blade the Sword Genius finally arrives.

Travis: Yeah.

Justin: And this is a professional stunt person.

Travis: Obviously.

Justin: Yeah. 'Cause you don't want anybody to get hurt.

Griffin: Who has— [chuckles] Who has deep, deep financial debt.

Justin: [wheezes]

[audience laughs]

Griffin: That the only way they can free their family from is by sacrificing their life for this ruse. [chuckles]

[audience laughs]

Justin: Now you run a risk there, Griffin. Because if this person is on dire enough straights that they've put the work into getting good enough with a sword to become Dr. Blade, the Sword Genius plausibly.

Griffin: They can't turn that off.

Justin: They can't turn that off. It's a real fine line. They could start knocking over other— real Quiznos for real, and just—
[audience laughs]

Justin: You know what I mean?

Travis: Oh, then you create—

Justin: Then it's just a criminal.

Travis: Hey Justin, can I ask you question real quick that everyone's thinking?

Justin: We're only on step seven. Go ahead.

Travis: I know.

[audience laughs]

Travis: But everybody's bothered by this, so they have to know. Is he a genius with a sword, or a sword-wielding genius?

Justin: I mean, it's kinda both, right?

Griffin: Yeah yeah.

Travis: No.

Justin: Yeah.

[audience laughs]

Justin: Well—

Travis: 'Cause a genius with a sword does not imply— [wheezes]

Griffin: Yeah.

Travis: It's like a master of the blade.

Justin: It's a type of genius. It's just a genius.

Griffin: Yeah yeah yeah.

Justin: Yeah. So, anyway.

Travis: That didn't answer my question.

[audience laughs]

Griffin: It's okay, the— Travis, this is not the space that we can teeter.

Justin: The fateful day arrives.

Griffin: Yeah.

Justin: [chuckles] Dr. Blade, the Sword Genius, to everyone's surprise, bursts into the office, and—

[audience chuckles]

Travis: The payroll office.

Justin: The payroll office, and kicks a door in.

Griffin: Yeah.

Justin: And then you... try to, to the best of your ability, stand up to Dr. Blade, the Sword Genius.

Griffin: Yes.

Justin: But oop, you are killed.

Travis: Oh no.

[audience laughs]

Griffin: Yeah, sorry. Oh shit, we should've mentioned. The body count on this particular suggestion from Justin Tyler McElroy is two.

Travis: Yeah.

Justin: [wheezes]

[audience laughs]

Griffin: One of `em—

Travis: And it's including you.

Griffin: One of `em is you, most notably.

Justin: Wait! Wait! Wait!

Griffin: How bad do you wanna get this done?

Justin: Who else dies? Who else gets killed?

Travis: The Sword Genius! Or the professor, or like the payroll boss.

Justin: Yeah. Sorry guys, nobody gets killed for real in this idea. That's why it's so important that you let me finish.

Travis: Okay.

[audience laughs]

Justin: It's— Okay, here's the next two words I was gonna say. It's fake.
[wheezes]

[audience laughs]

Justin: It's— Okay, thank you. So if I could just say those two syllables, it is fake.

Travis: Now, but notably, the person most skilled with a sword doesn't know that, Justin.

Justin: That's fucking— Yeah, Trav. Absolutely.

[audience laughs]

Justin: That's why I told it the way I did so that you could be in his shoes.

Griffin: Yeah.

Travis: Yeah, Justin/

Justin: Yeah. Right, so. I'm almost done.

Griffin: This is a good idea so far.

[audience laughs]

Justin: Then. You're dead—

Travis: Hard to poke holes in it.

Justin: You're dead on the ground, the boss sees the sword and Dr. Blade, the Sword Genius.

Griffin: Yeah yeah yeah.

Justin: And there's only one person that can stand against him.

Griffin: When you get killed, you have to throw your sword backwards.

Justin: Exactly.

Griffin: And it stabs down into the ground.

Justin: I actually don't think you should do that, I don't think you should trust yourself.

Travis: You should gently lay it down.

Griffin: You'll practice it.

Travis: If it's a quality weapon, you don't wanna hurt it.

Justin: Yes. And then your boss finally gets a chance to shine and demonstrate their sword skills. Alternately, if he's a man, you could just do it wrong in front of him, and...

[audience laughs]

Griffin: [wheezes] That's one way, for sure.

Justin: He'll give you all the time you'll need.

[audience cheers]

Justin: And that's my two different ideas, either one would be equally effective.

Travis: One of those two.

Griffin: I have— I have an idea.

Travis: Do you need room for it?

Griffin: No, I don't. It's short, sweet, and to the point. Your boss has one thing. One thing that is your boss's, and he doesn't feed to all the employees at the office like a bunch of hungry little baby birds.

One thing is fencing and you wanna take that from him and make it a workplace activity. I'm just sayin' what about the bosses, though?
[giggles]

[audience laughs]

Justin: Yeah, what about this poor dude three years into the future, he's like, "Oh, another fencing mug. Thanks, guys."

[audience laughs]

Griffin: [chuckles]

Travis: And Griffin, I just wanna say it's really great that you're out here looking after the bosses, the landlords.

[audience laughs]

Travis: The... Like realtors.

Griffin: They get— They work so hard for us!

[audience laughs]

Justin: You only have to worry about one apartment. They have to worry about dozens!

Griffin: All of 'em!

[audience laughs]

Justin: Imagine that pressure.

Griffin: And the one thing! That they get to blow off steam is fencing, and you wanna take that from them?!

Travis: Every landlord and boss fences when you're not looking!

[audience laughs]

Travis: And I don't just mean when they get home, I mean any time you're not looking.

[audience laughs]

Justin: I'm— I feel like that was really helpful. Do you agree?

[audience cheers]

Griffin: Yeah, it kicked ass.

Justin: Okay. I was just asking the one person, but I should've been more clear, 100%.

Travis: How— Wait—

Justin: You couldn't know.

Travis: How applicable is this to the rest of the audience?

Justin: Yeah. A bunch of people were like, "Huh, some good stuff in there."

Griffin: [wheezes]

Travis: [chuckles]

[audience laughs]

Justin: "Some nice takeaways."

Travis: "I mean it's shot-putting for me, but yeah, that helps."

Justin: "Yeah, put all that into a *TED Talk* and I will buy as much as you got."

Griffin: If you guys—

Travis: [laughs] I don't think *TED Talk's* about selling product, Justin. Although who am I kidding, capitalism.

Justin: Yeah, man.

Griffin: You don't—

[audience laughs]

Griffin: [sighs] Do you— [chuckles] I forget what I was gonna fuckin' say because of Travis's mug.

[audience laughs]

Justin: [wheezes] Stupid.

Travis: I just thought I could win people over by shitting on capitalism.

Griffin: Yeah dog, in the laziest imaginable way!

[audience laughs]

Griffin: Next question.

Travis: [cackles]

Justin: "How do I—"

[audience laughs]

Griffin: [chuckles]

Travis: Speaking of buying things.

Justin: "How do I convince my mother to let me put metallic dinosaur sculptures in our front yard?"

[audience cheers]

Justin: "She thinks they are ugly and tacky, but I think they are majestic. We live in rural West Austin, so they could easily be seen as an eyesore, but I think they're fun." Now Griffin tells me that rural West Austin, and god he should now, 'cause— is a part of Chicago—

Griffin: [chuckles] I lived here for little less than one year.

Justin: Is that correct? Rural West Austin is part of Chicago, or adjacent?

Griffin: I mean Austin is part of Chi—

Justin: Okay. Thank you.

Griffin: Yes.

Justin: Alright.

Travis: And would that location make it an eyesore where it wouldn't be other places?

Griffin: No, probably not.

Travis: Okay.

Justin: No, probably not. "Brothers, how do I convince my mom to let me put up at least one dinosaur sculpture to spruce up our yard?" That's from Delightful Dinosaurs in Dripping.

Everyone, in your mind's eye, should take a second to imagine what you think the question asker is wanting to put up in their mom's yard, and then Paul if you could be so kind as to supply them with the actual—

Travis: They sent— This was sent in by them?

Justin: This was sent by them.

[audience cheer loudly]

Justin: Now... Now...

Travis: I have thoughts.

Justin: I don't know your mom. Buuuut.

Travis: Yeah, here's what I'll say.

Justin: If you're listening to this later... Oh boy.

[audience laughs]

Justin: It's a—

Griffin: Like they made a Tin Man out of a dinosaur, and painted it shitty.

Justin: [wheezes]

[audience laughs]

Justin: It's color block, it's got a red tummy and a blue leg and blue scoop of—

Travis: And the rivets are bad.

Justin: Yeah, it's rusty.

Griffin: It looks like someone flew it down the flight of stairs of an old, old boat.

[audience laughs]

Travis: It does look like an old boat thing! Yeah!

Griffin: Yeah.

Justin: Yeah, it does look like an old boat dinosaur.

Travis: Well the marks are gruesome.

Griffin: Is this from— Did this— Did you make this? Please say no, fuck.

[audience chuckles]

Griffin: Wait. Shut up everyone. Hey everyone, shut— [chuckles] shut up. Did you— Did, hey... Did— Hey. Did you make this?

Audience Member: [very distant yell] No.

Griffin: Awesome. Fuckin' holy shit.

Travis: Awesome, okay, great. Woo!

[audience laughs]

Griffin: Wowzers. Guys.

Travis: That's not even dodging a bullet.

Griffin: Guys! Heart is racing right now.

Travis: Yeah.

[audience laughs]

Travis: That's like somebody shot a bullet and you kept your eyes closed, saying "Did it hit me?"

Griffin: Yeah.

[audience laughs]

Justin: I agree with your mom, that you should not put...

[audience laughs]

Justin: One— Let me finish.

[audience boos]

Justin: Let me finish! Just let me finish. I agree with your mom that you should not put one dinosaur in the yard. You should not put one dinosaur in the yard, your mom is right. Not one dinosaur should go in your yard. Now, if you wanna put a lot of dinosaurs in your yard...

[audience cheers]

Justin: Now you got something going. Metal animals... We were talking about backstage, they have a proud, strange tradition, and there's a lot of power wrapped up in 'em.

Like in Huntington, we have the pink elephant and the pink giraffe at opposite ends of the city, and they help to keep everything in balance, right.

Griffin: Yes.

[audience laughs]

Justin: They don't—

Griffin: There's a leyline—

Travis: Yup.

Griffin: — running of—

[audience laughs]

Griffin: [chuckles] – of sweet West Virginia energy.

Justin: It's them to Blucifer.

Griffin: Yeah, to Blucifer.

Travis: To Blucifer.

Justin: And then—

[audience laughs]

Travis: About equidistance betwixt my house and my in-laws' house, there is a large oxen with a bowler hat on.

Griffin: It goes there.

Travis: And a jaunty scarf.

Griffin: It goes to the fuckin' cloud bean here in Chicago. Which is a dog. People don't know this! It was gonna be a dog but they didn't get to fuckin' finish it, man.

Travis: Yeah.

[audience laughs]

Travis: `Cause of capitalism.

Griffin: Travis.

Travis: [chuckles]

[audience laughs]

Justin: So a whole garden of `em though, then you got a theme goin'.

Griffin: Yeah.

Travis: Now—

Justin: Then you got a whole menagerie.

Travis: Counterpoint.

Griffin: Yeah.

Travis: You can do one, really big.

Griffin: Yeah.

Travis: `Cause then it's a thing.

Griffin: Yeah.

Travis: If you just have one— `Cause listen, I'm looking at this, question asker, to your mom's point, there's no way that just naturally fits in.

Griffin: [chuckles]

Travis: With whatever there is.

Griffin: No fuckin'—

Justin: There's also no sense of scale. It could be eight inches tall.
[wheezes]

Travis: Yeah.

[audience laughs]

Travis: But if it's 12 feet tall, now it's the rest of the yard's problem.

Justin: Actually—

Griffin: Yeah.

Justin: Can you shout the number of feet tall this is?

Audience Member: [very distant yell] Five.

Justin: Five?

Griffin: Five feet?!

[audience cheers]

Travis: That's—

Justin: That's— Hey, that's right— I don't know what line, but that is right on the line.

Travis: Yeah.

Griffin: That's—

[audience laughs]

Travis: It is—

Griffin: It's on the bubble man.

Travis: If it was six.

Griffin: I don't know in which direction.

Justin: Six!

Travis: I fit was six, now we've got something.

Justin: Six can stand on its own.

Griffin: Right.

Justin: Right? Six and up can be on its own.

Griffin: Six gets turned into a Pokéstop.

Travis: Yes.

Justin: Right.

[audience laughs]

Justin: Right.

Griffin: Six is—

Travis: Five is—

Justin: Six'll get you to a geocache.

Griffin & Travis: Yeah.

Justin: At least a nano or a micro.

Travis: Five feels like a lack of commitment to six.

Griffin: Yeah.

Travis: Could've been six.

Justin: Five looks like you're looking for a bad theme park to donate it.

Travis: Yeah, yeah yeah yeah yeah.

[audience laughs]

Travis: Five is seemed like fun at the store.

Griffin: Yeah.

Travis: Yeah yeah yeah.

Griffin: Unless you get a bunch of fives, and then it's—

Travis: Now, yes.

Griffin: All of a sudden, you got a little museum in your yard.

Travis: Or.

Griffin: And that's cool.

Travis: One one-foot Ian Malcolm to go underneath it.

Griffin: That's cool, yeah.

[audience laughs]

Justin: For scale.

Griffin: Create a whole tableaux. I will say, this looks like something maybe from the world market collection. I would be surprised if they offered an assortment of dinosaur varieties. I think the wildest imaginable scenario is you have 10 of this exact dinosaur in your yard.

[audience laughs]

Travis: All facing the same way.

Griffin: Can you imagine!

Justin: Towards your house.

Griffin: Oop!

Travis: [laughs]

[audience laughs]

Griffin: [laughs]

Travis: With one inside already.

[audience laughs]

Justin: And you're—

Travis: And maybe the window's broken. [wheezes]

Justin: And you're dead, but it's fake. [laughs]

[audience laughs]

Justin: I finished, thank you for letting me finish that time, 'cause that would've been really confusing if I just said you're dead.

[audience cheers]

Justin: I appreciate that very much.

Griffin: Have you got another question?

Justin: I have more, okay. "I—"

Griffin: Wait, the questions were fuckin' great, y'all.

Justin: Great, I have one more.

Griffin: You did such a good job.

Justin: "I am a herpetologist in training and I catch a lot of reptiles and amphibians."

Travis: "Some of them are five feet tall dinosaurs!"

[audience laughs]

Justin: "A while ago I brought one of my catches to my boyfriend's house and it got loose in his bedroom."

[audience groans in dismay]

Justin: "How do I stop this scenario from reoccurring?"

Griffin: [laughs]

[audience laughs]

Justin: "Or... how—"

Griffin: I have a billion thousand trillion suggestions right off the bat.

Justin: "I—"

Travis: But I got one big one! [laughs]

Justin: Yeah, it says— The next question is "Or how should I handle it if it does again?" I'm gonna amend that "if" to "when."

Travis: Yeah.

Griffin: Yeah.

Justin: Considering you don't know the answer to the first question.

[audience laughs]

Justin: "Or how should I handle it if it does again? The snake was eventually found, and it was non-venomous." That's from Reptile Wrangler in Wisconsin.

Travis: Are you here?

Justin: Are you here?

Audience Member: [cheers from a distance]

Justin: Hi, okay.

Travis: Now this is also important, and I hadn't thought of this until hearing it out loud. Boyfriend, are you here?

Audience Member: [from a distance] Yes!

Justin: Okay.

Travis: Okay.

[audience laughs]

Travis: Now boyfriend, this just yes or no answer context. Were you alerted to the presence of the snake?

Griffin: Huge! Huge! The implications of this question are enormous, boyfriend!

[audience laughs]

Travis: Before this occurred, before the animal escaped, were—

Audience Member: [from a distance] There was a chance.

Griffin: You knew there was a chance.

Justin: You knew there was a chance?!

[audience laughs]

Griffin: I like that.

[audience laughs]

Griffin: That's a good story.

Travis: So, your partner at some point said, "I might bring a snake home."

[audience laughs]

Justin: Chance of snakes is just outside.

[audience laughs]

Griffin: That's a [from a distance] great point also, Justin.

[audience laughs]

Griffin: Maybe fewer in the city of Chicago.

Travis: But if a snake does need brought inside anywhere.

Griffin: Yeah yeah yeah.

Travis: I would say Big City.

Griffin: Come in.

Travis: I see a snake outside.

Griffin: Big City snakes.

Justin: I will say this, Question Asker, for the future, that is an extremely... late time to put the word "non-venomous."

[audience laughs]

Travis: And—

Justin: It should not be, for future reference, the very, very—

Griffin: [chuckles]

Justin: — very, very, very last word in the question. The implications, as Griffin is fond of saying, are huge.

[audience laughs]

Justin: Of this word, you can't put it so low, it's gotta be earlier next time.

Travis: You also did kinda sneak "snake" in there, where you said, "I catch a lot of reptiles and amphibians. I brought one of my catches inside... Anyways, the snake was eventually caught."

[audience laughs]

Travis: Could've been a frog or a turtle.

Griffin: No fuckin' way, man! Every herpetologist that has ever gone into the field, you know they did it because they were just a fucking snake freak!

[audience laughs]

[some audience members cheer]

Griffin: Wait. Am I wrong?

[multiple audience members cheer]

Griffin: I heard eight nos!

Justin: A lot of noises. A lot of noises.

Griffin: A lot of herpetologists in the audience.

Travis: Not a lot of hissing, though.

Griffin: [chuckles] No.

[audience laughs]

Griffin: No one gets into it for the fucking frogs, Travis.

[audience laughs]

Griffin: They touch—

Travis: Frog is an amateurs game!

Griffin: A lot of us, when we're walking in the park and someone brings their snake, and they're like, "Do you wanna pet the snake?" And you say like, "Yeah, sure," a lot of us do it and you're like, "That wasn't as weird as I thought it was gonna be." But a lot of people are like, "I only wanna do that now!"

[audience laughs]

Travis: There is— One of my weirdest zoo-going memories.

Griffin: Yeah.

Travis: This one time I was at the Cincinnati Zoo, and this guy had an albino-like boa constrictor thing.

Griffin: Yeah.

Travis: He put it on my arms.

Griffin: No thanks.

Travis: And he was like, "Yeah, hold it for a second, ha. I'm just gonna open up its little enclosure and put it in," and the key broke in the enclosure.

[audience groans in dismay]

Travis: And the gentleman says, "Aw man, just hold on a second." And left!

[audience laughs]

Justin: What?

Griffin: That's a fuckin'— Travis.

Justin: You just got John Quiñones-ed, dude. No way.

Griffin: That's—

[audience laughs]

Griffin: That's fucking great dude.

Justin: [laughs]

Griffin: It sounds like he got advice from a different advice podcast.

[audience laughs]

Justin: A funnier one, to be fair.

Griffin: "Dear nephews. I really would love to prank a kid. I work as a zookeeper, mostly in snake department."

Justin: "Yeah, I'm a nasty one. You got me."

Griffin: "Yeah."

[audience laughs]

Justin: "I love these squiggly guys."

Griffin: [squeals in amusement]

Justin: "I love the way they schwiggle and schwurm. I love it."

[audience laughs]

Justin: [wheezes] "You got me."

Travis: "Yep, I'm one of those."

Justin: "You got me dead to rights, I love how their tongue splits in twain."

[audience laughs]

Justin: "They're perfect, the little eyes, they eat a hamster so slow, you wouldn't believe it."

Griffin: [laughs]

[audience laughs]

Justin: "You could watch these things eat for weeks."

[audience laughs]

Justin: "We just moved and our neighbor had a kid that mows lawns." That's— [chuckles] There's something off in the word usage in here somewhere. "Our neighbor has a kid that mows lawns."

Travis: [laughs]

Justin: "Knows" would maybe be a better thing there. "Knows a kid that mows lawns."

Travis: No, a kid—

Griffin: No no no.

Travis: No, our neighbor has a kid.

Justin: "Has a kid that mows lawns."

Griffin: Has a child.

Travis: But not like one might say they have a Roomba.

Griffin: [chuckles] Sorry.

Justin: Right. "He has—"

Griffin: Okay, you're right.

Justin: "— asked us several times and—"

Griffin: "We have just recently moved and our neighbor has created a kid that mows—"

Travis: Yes.

Griffin: “— that mows—”

Justin: [chuckles] Okay.

[audience laughs]

Justin: “He has asked up several times if we would like him to cut our lawns and we have rejected him and told him we really wanna cut out own grass, and we just bought a new mower. Well, I finally mowed and my lawn looks like shit compared to what he does.”

[audience laughs]

Justin: “Brothers, what do I do?” And that’s from Mower’s Remorse.
[laughs]

[audience laughs]

Griffin: This fuckin’ rules, thank you. For me, thank you, this kicks ass.

Travis: Okay wait.

Justin: It’s great.

Travis: I have another context question that’s very important, just shout it out, one word answer. How old would you say this kid is?

Audience Member: [from a distance] 12.

Griffin & Justin: [simultaneously] 12.

[audience laughs]

Travis: That’s the perfect answer, thank you very much.

Griffin: That’s a good answer, thanks.

Justin: That’s great.

Travis: Old enough to have a childlike judgment. [wheezes]

Griffin: Yeah.

[audience chuckles]

Griffin: I mean, the kid might not give a shit about your lawn. The kid is like— Kid lawnmowers, professionals.

[audience chuckles]

Griffin: They're like sharks, they have to always keep moving. They can't— You can't be like, "No, I don't want you to cut my lawn," and then they like circle around.

Justin: [chuckles]

Griffin: "Aw, shucks!" They have to move on to the next point.

Travis: Now, hold on.

Justin: If the mower is off, they're losing money. They always have to be mowing.

Griffin: Yes, exactly.

Justin: Like no matter where, they always have to stay in motion.

Travis: It depends on their grindset.

Griffin: Yeah.

Travis: Because if they see the opportunity.

Griffin: Yeah.

Travis: To swoop in and say, "Huh..."

Griffin & Travis: [simultaneously] "Looks like shit."

[audience laughs]

Griffin: "Looks super shitty huh. Not as eeeeasy as it looks, huh?"

Travis: Yeah.

[audience laughs]

Justin: [chuckles]

Travis: "Maybe when you went to the professionals, Mr. Gordon."

Justin: "Hey, tell you— Tell you what, why don't you let me dip in there, see if I can't get a few more inches off the top there."

Griffin: Yeah.

Justin: "Let me give it just a little clean up."

[audience laughs]

Travis: Mmm.

Justin: "Just a little—"

Travis: "What kind of pattern'd you do? Oooo..."

Griffin: "Oooo..."

Griffin & Travis: [simultaneously] "No no no no no no no."

Justin: This kid's gonna have to take you down a peg. I'm sorry, but that's gonna be the price you pay for a great looking lawn. [chuckles] Is you're gonna have to be absolutely humiliated by this child.

Griffin: I mean—

Travis: And that kid can name their price.

Griffin: Yeah.

Justin: Yeah, anything.

Griffin: History has told us that eventually every event that takes place in our lives will be a kid taking us down a peg.

Justin: Yeah.

[audience laughs]

Griffin: So get started now! So you're like used to it.

Justin: Trav makes a good point though, you are absolutely paying more money than you would have, had he not had to ask you seven times.

[audience laughs]

Justin: Before you came crawling back to him—

Griffin: [chuckles] Absolutely.

Justin: — with your shabby lawn.

[audience laughs]

Travis: Is it possible... what we're dealing with here is sabotage?

[wheezes]

[audience laughs]

Griffin: "The— That kid psychically made me do a shitty job mowing my lawn!"

Travis: Yeah. You flip it over, and wha—?! Where'd the blade go? This is just a series of Pokémon cards taped together!

[audience laughs]

Travis: Making fwap fwap noises as they spin around there.

Justin: Hey listen, it's just us here. If you... did it on purpose 'cause you actually hate mowing the lawn.

Griffin: Oh yeah.

Justin: And this is a long con, it's okay, this is a safe place.

Griffin: Yeah.

Justin: You don't have to say anything, but just know that I know, okay?

[audience laughs]

Travis: I will say this, I... don't have a large yard, neither does my neighbor, but he bought a riding lawnmower and I don't have that.

Griffin: Yeah.

Travis: And so it looks really fun for him to do it and really hard for me to do it. So sometimes I'll let my lawn go longer than I should, for hopes that he'll be like, "Do you just want me to do it?"

Griffin: Yeah. "Weeeee."

Travis: And I would say, "Yeah."

[audience laughs]

Justin: It— But he loves riding that thing, probably.

Travis: I bet he does, look how fun it is!

Justin: He does. You should ask him if you can have a turn.

Griffin: [chuckles]

Travis: No, I wouldn't trust myself with that, Justin.

Justin: Just ask him for a turn, one turn.

Travis: I've gone too fast in a golf cart and almost flipped it, I don't trust myself.

Griffin: No.

Travis: Imagine if I had killer blades on the bottom of a golf cart.

[audience laughs]

Justin: I'm gonna ask next time I come to your house if I could just take it for one spin.

Travis: Hey Justin, no you wo— I know you.

Justin: I probably won't.

[audience laughs]

Justin: Yeah. I talk a big game, but you're right Travis.

Travis: Yeah, the— You wouldn't knock on your own neighbor's door to ask that.

Griffin: No.

Travis: Let alone my neighbor's.

Griffin: My teen grindset was to mow lawns one time. It was our neighbor, Tommy's house. His dad hired me to cut his lawn. This is a true story. But our lawnmower sucked shit, and used fucking gasoline from the gas station. Are you kidding me?!

Anyway, to save costs, I got a push mower instead. [chuckles] And so I went and mowed his lawn with a push mower, one with no motor or nothin' in it, just blades whirling about.

Justin: Those blades don't do anything. You just—

Travis: Well, and your own natural athletic skill.

Griffin: My known— And I only got about halfway up the yard and was like, "That sucks. No way.," and I... went home.

[audience laughs]

Griffin: Without saying anything to him, and two weeks later I went to his house like, "Hey, I... never did get paid."

Justin: "Hello."

[audience laughs]

Griffin: "I'll have my office send you an invoice."

Justin: A little compensation.

Griffin: "For the 27% approximately of your yard that I did mow."

Justin: [chuckles]

Travis: I'm pretty sure mowing is an all or nothing job.

[audience laughs]

Travis: I don't think that you get paid for the amount mowed.

Griffin: There was one... beautiful patch of his yard, where—

Travis: But that makes the rest of it look so bad!

Griffin: Where a young boy did the hardest thing he's ever had to do in his entire life.

[audience laughs]

Griffin: Thank you so much, we'll be right back.

[transition music plays]

Justin: If you want to mix up your look.

Travis: Like— Wait. Mix it up like wear pants instead of a shirt.

Justin: What? No.

Travis: Put shoes on your hands.

Justin: Not in some sort of zany detective way, but like a real way that real people do when they change up their clothes 'cause they want a fresher look. But it's hard to know where to start, right? Because you're the only you that you have.

Travis: Whoaaa, wait. You can't just breezes past that, Justin.

Griffin: That's huge.

Justin: You need an outside perspective, somebody to say—

Travis: Second you.

Justin: — “I see a future you,” and that's StitchFix. They got stylists that are willing to work— [wheezes] I shouldn't have said, “willing,” but you get it.

Travis: [laughs]

Justin: Stylists— [wheezes]

Griffin: Willing to look at your terrible body and make choices for you.

Travis: It took some convincing, sure.

Griffin: Sure, of course.

Justin: No, they want to help you. They wanna help you to upgrade your wardrobe with some pieces that are gonna feel authentic to you, with a fresh new you kinda energy. I love it.

Travis: I love that, Justin.

Justin: You tell 'em your budget, you tell 'em what kinda events you might have comin' up, what kinda garments you're in the market for. They're gonna send you a box, you keep all the stuff you like.

Travis: And you keep the box. We've never talked about that before.

Justin: That's true.

Travis: But hey man, free box.

Griffin: It's a nice box.

Justin: Good news for some cats. That we get a free box comin'—

Travis: Free box.

Griffin: Yeah.

Justin: Free box comin' for yah. But you're gonna hang onto a lot of those clothes, I bet, because they're gonna get you. They're just gonna understand you. You got style that makes you feel as good as you look. Get started today at stitchfix.com/brother. That's stitchfix.com/brother. [Stitchfix.com/brother](https://stitchfix.com/brother).

Travis: We also wanna tell you about Aura Frames. I love my Aura frame, it sits right next to our front door.

We come back from a trip, we come back from a day out with the kids, we upload the photos right there, and then they scroll through, and then our kids point at them and go "Is that me or Dotty?," and I'm like, "It was— That's you, we just put it there," and they go "Is that me when I was younger?," and I say, "Yeah."

And they go "Scroll back, this is a picture of you. Scroll back to a picture of me," and I'm like, "Okay, you got it." And that's why for you, an Aura frame is the perfect gift for anyone you love.

Griffin: Can you imagine trying to navigate that situation with a paper... No thanks.

Justin: Check this out. Watch this, right now. [imitates electronic beeps] I just sent a photo to my mother-in-law's frame. Literally in that amount of time.

Travis: Whoaaa!

Justin: I opened the app, shot her a new photo I took of the girls. That's how quick and easy it is.

Griffin: Amazing.

Justin: Fantastic.

Travis: Are you looking for a gift for a mother in your life? Well sure you are, 'cause Mother's Day's coming up, so let me recommend Aura frames. Also great for like graduations or birthdays or just 'cause.

Justin: Didn't they have a great deal for Mother's Day, Trav? I heard somethin' about that.

Travis: They do! They do, Justin! Right now, Aura has a great deal for Mother's Day. Listeners can save on the perfect gift by visiting auraframes.com to get \$30 off plus free shipping on their best-selling frame. That's A-U-R-Aframes.com, use "mybrother," all one word, at checkout to save. Terms and conditions apply.

[intense rock music plays]

Bizz Ellis: Hi, this is Bizz. And this is the final season of *One Bad Mother*, a comedy podcast about parenting. This is going to be a year of celebrating all that makes this podcast and this community magical.

Caller One: I'm so glad that I found your podcast.

Caller Two: I just cannot thank you enough for just being the voice of reason as I'm trying to figure all of this out.

Caller Four: Thank you, and cheers to your incredible show, and the vision you had to provide a space for all of us.

Bizz Ellis: This is still a show about life after giving life. And yes, there will be swears. You can find us on maximumfun.org. And as always, you are doing a great job.

[music fades out]

[school bell rings]

Caroline Roper: Alright class, tomorrow's exam will cover the science of cosmic rays, the morals of art forgery, and whether or not fish can drown. Any questions? Yes, you in the back.

Speaker One: Uh, what is this?

[upbeat electronic music plays]

Caroline Roper: It's the podcast *Let's Learn Everything!*

Tom Lum: Where we learn about science and a bit of everything else. My name's Tom, I studied cognitive computer science, but I'll also be your teacher for intermediate emojis.

Caroline Roper: My name's Caroline, and I did my masters in biodiversity conservation. And I'll be teaching you intro to things the British Museum stole.

Ella Hubber: My name's Ella. I did a PhD in stem cell biology, so obviously I'll be teaching you the history of fan fiction.

Tom Lum: Class meets every other Thursday on Maximum Fun.

Speaker One: So, do I still get credit for this?

All: [laughs] No!

Ella Hubber: Obviously not.

Caroline Roper: No.

Tom Lum: It's a podcast.

All: [laugh]

[pause]

[audience cheers]

Justin: [imitates high-pitched beeping sounds] What?!

[audience cheers loudly]

Justin: This just came across my desk. This just came across my desk just now. Holy crap. First image, please.

Griffin: [cackles]

[audience cheers]

Griffin: Yeah!

Justin: "No manufacturer's marking that we see. Negative energy, shows signs of age. Unsure of its composition. Maybe a plaster type? But also looks like it may have had some type of hair."

Travis: Justin.

Griffin: Juice!

Travis: Justin.

Griffin: J-Dog.

Justin: Listen.

Travis: Justin, read the title of the posting, for the love of God.

Justin: "Haunted paranormal creep four-inch doll face mask." Huh? "Question mark. Not nice. Negative? Evil?"

[audience laughs]

Justin: "Evil?"

[audience laughs]

Griffin: Yeah man.

Travis: I'll never forget when they made that death mask of Steve Martin after he'd been burned in a fire.

[audience laughs]

Justin: “We purchased this odd vessel online auction about a years and a half ago. Seller had it listed as an evil entity, they purchased it in occult shop in Michigan.”

Griffin: It—

Travis: “In an occult shop,” or “in a cult shop”?

Justin: “When we communicated, we tried only once.”

Griffin: [laughs]

[audience laughs]

Justin: “We’ve all experienced the same feeling of being outside our bodies, looking at what was going on in the room.”

Griffin & Travis: [yell in terror]

[audience laughs]

Justin: “Instead of actually being there.”

Travis: No!

Griffin: Holy shit!

Travis: No!

[audience laughs]

Justin: “Our daughter tried to see what she could feel. Also being a sensitive, I picked it up as she did. The burning sensation she felt through her arm made her drop it back down. She felt a rush go through her, and as she started to speak, started choking uncontrollably, where she had to leave the room.

Took a few minutes, still having a hard time speaking. We told whatever was physically attacking her was not allowed. We gave it no permission to

make physical contact. And as we decided to remove it, two family photos fell off a side table, smashing the glass no each.

Asking 'good or evil' as we started to pack things up, we heard what sounded like the word 'enforce'."

[audience laughs]

Justin: "Our K2 kept flashing between yellow and red, and the Mel Meter rose quickly up to 1.5. Daughter and I being sensitives, we felt hatred, very uneasy, and we didn't want her to hear us.

As we said before, the chances are with attachments, they just don't like you, wanting to react or act out because of it. Maybe it'd react differently in a different environment, but we have no room to attempt a negative entity living among us.

We think it's a negative entity, unsure if evil. We do start my bidding at just above the cost of what I paid for the items."

Griffin: [wheezes]

[audience laughs]

Justin: "As to cover the cost of selling."

Griffin: Yeah. I—

Travis: The co— Wait, hold on. The cost of selling.

Justin: "I don't believe in hiking them up. The bidding is your decision. And re-homing items is my goal."

Travis: Yeah!

Griffin: Yeah.

Justin: "If for some re—"

Travis: Yeah, you're on eBay! Yeah!

Griffin: Yeah, you are on eBay though. My favorite part of every *Child's Play* movie is when the parents are like... "We did spend a lot of money on that doll, though."

[audience laughs]

Travis: Yeah, "Mom and Dad just throw it in the fire!"

Griffin & Travis: [simultaneously] [uncertainly] "Ehhhh..."

Griffin: "I don't know."

Travis: Woah, hold on!

Griffin: Hey, can we go back to the inside of the mask picture, thanks.

Travis: Yes.

[audience groans]

Griffin: Hey guys. Hey gang. I can smell that image!

[audience laughs]

Justin: Hey Paul, this is all well and good, but I'm ready to meet Todd. He—

Griffin: I don't think Todd's haunted, guys.

Justin: "This—" I'm gonna read this one verbatim. "This is Todd. He is a trickster. Loves to play pranks and trick people."

Griffin: "He looooves his pet flashlight."

[audience chuckles]

Justin: "He will have you going— He will go— have you going around in circles. He does move his vessel. It is very slight, from what I have seen. You wouldn't even know he moved it." [chuckles]

[audience laughs]

Travis: But he'll crook his knee slightly.

Justin: But I know! But I can tell he moved it. "I would definitely take a picture to see how exactly he was placed. If you love pranks."

[audience laughs]

Justin: "You—"

Travis: And who the fuck doesn't?!

Griffin: Yeah.

Justin: "If you love pranks, you and him would definitely get along. Definitely—"

Travis: "This doll looves YouTube."

Justin: Listen. Listen. "I would— If you love pranks, you and him would definitely get along. Definitely needs a keeper who doesn't mind pranks."

[audience chuckles]

Justin: "I would definitely recommend setting boundaries on how far he can go with the pranks."

Griffin: Yeah, man.

[audience laughs]

Travis: Hey, and I can't stress this enough, that's true whether we're talking about dolls or friends.

Griffin: But especially... Travis.

Travis: Dolls.

Justin: Yeah.

Griffin: Not dolls. Todd.

Justin: Todd.

[audience laughs]

Justin: “I don’t feel positive energy from him. But—”

[audience laughs]

Griffin: [cackles]

Justin: “I also don’t feel negative energy from him. He is—”

[audience laughs]

Travis: If only there was a word.

Justin: “He is definitely an interesting spirit to get to know.”

Travis: Wait, Todd’s only a green!

Griffin: But he— The red also looks illuminated. Todd’s all over the fuckin’ place, man.

Travis: Well, it’s because he’s not negative or positive, Griffin.

Griffin: Right, he’s...

Travis: He’s both—

Griffin: He’s just... negative positive.

Justin: Hey, speaking of neutral spirits, let’s meet another one.

Travis: [gasps]

Griffin: Now listen.

Travis: Wait.

Griffin: You know I love Neutral Roberta, she is my doll that I keep at home.

Travis: No, she's my doll.

Griffin: You got Neutral Roberta?

Justin: I think—

Travis: Yeah, Griffin!

Griffin: Damn. Oh shit.

Travis: Now hold on!

Griffin: This is embarrassing.

[audience reacts loudly]

Justin: It's just— Listen, it's just a neutral spirit named Bob.

Travis: Now, hold on.

Justin: Okay.

Travis: I have a neutral spirit in my home, sir, and that is no [chuckles] neutral spirit.

[audience laughs]

Justin: No, it's a neutral spirit. It looks like kind of a floppy clown, if you can't see the picture. It's a neutral spirit. Now, everyone, think of a question, in your mind. Help me out. Think of a question in your mind.

You're looking at this doll, you have one question in your mind, think of that question. Have that one question and I'm gonna answer it for you with the very first like which gives you the most important information.

Griffin: Great.

Justin: "I'm unsure of Bobby's gender."

Griffin: [laughs]

[audience laughs loudly]

Griffin: Great.

Justin: Folks. Folks.

Griffin: As a description of an item that you are selling, that is one of the sort of more wild ways to—

Justin: “I’m unsure of Bobby’s gender, as it hasn’t really given me a clear answer to that question. Though not necessarily harmful, this spirit is a major trickster, so beware of that.”

Griffin: Is something going on in the spiritual plane that we need to be concerned about?

Justin: Now, this is where things—

Travis: Can I also say, when someone’s talking about a “neutral” thing to me, rarely is the word “beware” associated.

Griffin: Yeah.

[audience laughs]

Justin: So. “It definitely seems to favor women over men. I don’t know if it’s due to possible trauma, or is a simple preference.”

Griffin: What the fuck are they doing in this fucking sale description?!

Justin: It’s just “buyer beware,” I guess, huh? I don’t know. “I just know the spirit goes haywire when my husband is near the vessel.”

[audience laughs]

Travis: There’s—

Griffin: [shouts] Why are you so concerned about this?!

Justin: 'Cause they wanna brag how hot their husband is. I get it.

[audience laughs]

Travis: Also— Wait. “Haywire” to you is like, “Ooo, lah lah”?

[audience chuckles]

Justin: Yeah, right. I can— “It can be a bit uncooperative when trying to communicate with.” Like many—

Travis: Yeah.

Justin: Like many inanimate objects. [wheezes] You’ll find.

Griffin: [laughs]

[audience laughs]

Justin: And it is a little bit uncooperative on the conversation front. “The vessel itself isn’t in the best conditions. The neck seems to be quote ‘broken’.”

Griffin: [wheezes]

[audience laughs]

Griffin: [laughs]

Travis: Do you think it’s a haunted doll of a haunted doll?

Justin: That’s— You don’t need to describe it that way ever in a million years. I never would’ve looked at that and thought “I hope the neck’s unbroken.”

Griffin: [cackles]

[audience laughs]

Travis: But to be fair, if you were gonna haunt a vessel.

Justin: Lastly is one of my favorites I've ever covered, and I might buy 'em.

Griffin: Holy shit. [laughs] Is it just a racehorse?

[audience laughs]

Justin: I'm gonna read you all of Hugo's description, so everybody can fall in love with Hugo.

Travis: It's Hugo Weaving.

Griffin: [chuckles] Yeah.

Justin: Hugo is probably— All of these are probably still for sale.

[audience cheers]

Griffin: Oh yeah! Hugo!

Justin: Hugo is a little— He looks like a little raccoon kinda Ewok kinda guy.

Griffin: Why do you—

Justin: I guess?

Travis: No, Justin!

Griffin: What the fuck did you say he looked like?!

Travis: He looks like a chihuahua bandit.

[audience laughs]

Justin: Okay, he looks like a chihuahua bandit, whatever. Okay, so here's the description on Hugo.

Griffin: Looks like a Mogwai superhero.

Justin: Okay.

[audience laughs]

Justin: Here's the description on Hugo.

Griffin: I love him!

Travis: Now hold on! Hold on! Fuck you, Griffin, that's a villain! That's a thief! Look at the thief mask!

Griffin: No, I like him.

[audience laughs]

Griffin: I wanna pet him.

Travis: Griffin, you're drawn to a bad boy.

Griffin: I wanna pet him.

[audience laughs]

Travis: Okay.

Griffin: How much is he?

Justin: Listen.

Travis: That's a chihuahua that steals thing.

Griffin: I don't care, I want him

Justin: He's probably already been sold, listen. "Hugo is here and there, and seems to be everywhere."

[audience laughs]

Griffin: That's great!

Justin: "Sometimes he is nowhere to be found, and just likes to watch."

[audience laughs]

Justin: "If you are leaving the house—"

Travis: No, we've turned the corner on Hugo.

Griffin: You dropped the fuckin' bag, spirit of Hugo.

[audience laughs]

Justin: "If you're leaving the house, he just wants to come with. He is a little fellow."

[audience laughs]

Justin: "Easy—"

Travis: "He loves perching on top of statues."

Griffin: I like him again.

Justin: He—

Griffin: I like him again.

Justin: "He is a little fellow."

Griffin: That photo's good, I like him again.

[audience laughs]

Justin: "Easy to travel with." And that's the whole description.

[audience laughs]

Justin: That's it. They don't even act like it's haunted. It's just this thing's name is Hugo and it's here, there, and everywhere.

Griffin: Yeeeah. Yeeeeeah!

Travis: Okay, I—

Justin: Yeah.

Travis: Actually, I'm coming around.

Griffin: Yeeeeeah!

[audience cheers]

Travis: I'm coming around on Hu—

Justin: Paul.

Travis: See, it's a mask!

Griffin: Of course it's a mask, Travis.

Justin: Paul, quick, I need you to lock these files on your hard drive so they can't accidentally be deleted. I need you to save all these files, Paul.

Griffin: I fuckin' love Hugo, he's everywhere.

Justin: That's their entire description, by the way. That's all we know about Hugo. He may not even be haunted, in retrospect.

[audience laughs]

Griffin: This might just be a cool doll.

Justin: Might just be a cool dog. And that is your Haunted Doll Watch, Chicago.

[audience cheers]

Griffin: Chicago. Chicago. We are going to ask some people to come down to the microphone here, center stage, right in front of God and everyone. Hi.

Travis: Hi.

Morgan: Okay. I'm Morgan, my pronouns and she/hers. Later this summer, I'm donating a kidney.

[audience cheers and claps]

Morgan: Thank you, and—

Justin: For money. She's selling it.

Griffin: [laughs]

[audience laughs]

Justin: No, sorry, go ahead.

Morgan: To a—

Travis: And more importantly, from your own body, right?

Morgan: Yes.

Travis: Not just one you have lying around.

Morgan: Yes. To a guy I met on a different podcast.

Justin: Oh wow.

Morgan: But the tradition at the hospital, Rush, where I'm donating, is that they do—

[Some audience members cheer]

Morgan: — a little like hero walk. Where you're in a hallway, and there's all these people lined up, and they clap at you. And I hate it.

Griffin: Yeah yeah, for sure, of course, yeah.

Morgan: I—

Justin: Yeah.

Travis: But you haven't done it before, right? Because Morgan.

Morgan: Just— yeah. [laughs]

Justin: Wait wait wait.

Travis: Because Morgan, this is important Morgan, if you've done this kidney donation walk before, do not do it a second time!

[audience laughs]

Griffin: Yeah.

Morgan: [giggles] But I'm the kind of person who donates a kidney to a stranger, so I don't wanna say no and make them sad.

Griffin: Right, of course.

Justin: Right.

Griffin: No, you can't say no because people are gonna clap at you, Morgan.

Morgan: Yeah.

Griffin: That's fuckin' wild!

Morgan: So what are some cool things I can say [giggles] while they walk me down this aisle—

Travis: Okay, wait, no.

Morgan: — and they clap at me.

[audience laughs]

Justin: Morgan, let's start with this. "Second time's the charm." Will just build off of—

Griffin: That's funny.

[audience laughs]

Morgan: [laughs]

Travis: Morgan. You're the one giving a kidney. You can ask for whatever the fuck you want.

[audience laughs]

Morgan: [laughs]

Griffin: Yeah, stop—! Hey, how about this? "Stop! Fucking! Clapping!"

Morgan: [laughs]

[audience laughs]

Justin: [laughs]

Travis: How about—

Justin: "This is weird. No one look at me!"

Travis: Ask to be carried in a fucking Egyptian litter.

Griffin: Yeah.

[audience laughs]

Travis: With curtains on the side, so you don't have to see the duo kidney peons.

Griffin: Yeah.

Travis: Standing on the sides.

[audience laughs]

Travis: Send a fake Morgan down the line.

[audience laughs]

Travis: You're the one giving a kidney!

Griffin: Yeah. [chuckles] That's a really good point, Trav.

Justin: I think it would be amazing if you pushed one person over.
[wheezes]

[audience laughs]

Griffin: [cackles]

Justin: At that exact moment, you see someone standing near a trash can, looks like a real Poindexter, right?

[audience laughs]

Griffin: [laughs]

Justin: And then you walk past 'em and they're like [claps] "Kidneys," and then you just give 'em a tough shove.

Griffin: Yeah.

[audience laughs]

Justin: A little cold one right into the recycling bin, that would be amazing.

Travis: Any practical person— I was gonna say, it balances out.

Justin: Fair, it's fair.

Morgan: I can only do one!

Justin: "I guess it was a misunderstanding," and then as you're walking away, [shouts] "It wasn't a misunderstanding!"

[audience laughs]

Morgan: [laughs]

Travis: "I'm a jerk kidney donator."

Griffin: [laughs]

[audience laughs]

Griffin: You could go the opposite direction which is be stoked fucking out of your mind as you walk down this receiving line of just like, "Yeah! Here it cooomes!"

[audience laughs]

Griffin: "Here comes the Meech!"

Travis: And then at the end yell "I'm so excited to get a kidney from someone!"

Griffin: Yeah.

Morgan: [cackles]

[audience laughs]

Justin: "Witness meee!"

Griffin: "Witness me, I'm about to be insiiiide youuu!"

[audience laughs]

Travis: I'm— Hey, walk down, whispering to people "I'm giving `em the bad one."

Griffin: Yeah.

[audience laughs]

Travis: "Psst, don't tell anyone."

Griffin: "It actually—"

Travis: “That’s the one I put all the bad shit in.”

Griffin: “It’s— [close to the mic] It’s got a fucking stone in it. Gotchaaaa.”

[audience laughs]

Justin: As you’re goin’ under, just tell the surgeon “I’ve buried all of the clues inside of me, best of luck.”

[audience laughs]

Justin: “Best of luck, Doctor Man. Agh.” You’re out. And then there’s gonna be some part where it’s like [clicks tongue in thought] “I wonder if there are clues...”

[audience laughs]

Travis: That was my joke, put—

Justin: “A little poke around couldn’t hurt.”

[audience laughs]

Travis: And then what’s that they find in there? A diamond.”

Griffin: Yeah.

Morgan: [chuckles]

Griffin: Cool.

Travis: That’s the kidney stone you were talking about.

Morgan: [laughs]

Griffin: That’s awesome. I’m pretty sure I was the one who talked about—

Travis: And there’s more— and short— and a tiny ship.

Griffin: Woah.

Travis: Wait, no that's not what happened in the movie?

Griffin: No, it's absolutely not what happened in the movie *Inner Space*, that nobody in this audience has seen.

[a lot of audience members cheer]

Griffin: Oh fuck, sorry. Wow, Chicago. [chuckles] Okay.

[audience laughs]

Griffin: Fuckin' *Inner Space*-heads over here.

Travis: Hey, Morgan?

Morgan: Yes.

Travis: You wanna back out of this?

Morgan: Absolutely not. [laughs]

Griffin: Okay great. This was your one chance to do it, legally.

[audience laughs]

Justin: Hey Morgan, have you thought about the fact that you're gonna have to walk back to your seat with a bunch of people [chuckles] applauding at you yet?

Morgan: [laughs]

[audience laughs]

Griffin: Now wait. Now wait wait wait wait!

Travis: No, wait wait wait wait!

[audience applauds]

Justin: Oh, this is good!

Griffin: No, wait wait wait! Shh!

Travis: No, hold on! No wait, this an excellent point!

Griffin: This is a—

Travis: An excellent point!

Griffin: — once in a lifetime opportunity!

Travis: Morgan, we're gonna fucking cancel it out.

Griffin: Okay. No no.

Travis: You're going to walk back to your seat in your complete silence.

Griffin: No one make—

Travis: And then you're going to decide which you like better.

Morgan: [laughs]

[audience laughs]

Griffin: This is huge. No, seriously, don't think like [in a goofy voice] "I'm gonna be the one person that fuckin' gets on the—" No.

Justin: This'll be special, this'll mean somethin' someday.

[audience chuckles]

Travis: I want—

Griffin: Did that help, Morgan?

Morgan: It did, a lot.

Travis: — complete silence!

Griffin: Thank you, Morgan.

Travis: Go.

Griffin: [wheezes]

[Some audience members laugh]

Charlie: Hello.

Griffin: Hi.

Charlie: I'm Charlie.

Griffin, Travis & Justin: [simultaneously] Hi, Charlie.

Charlie: I— He/him's cool. I work at an ice rink.

Justin: Okay.

Charlie: That's a little while from here, and I work as a Zamboni driver.

Justin: Cool.

[audience cheers]

Travis: I just wanna say, Charlie.

Charlie: Yup.

Travis: You did put in your question that you drive a Zamboni. If you didn't work at an ice rink.

Charlie: Yes. Yeah.

Travis: I would be confused.

Charlie: That's—

Griffin: A free— street Zamboni artist.

[audience laughs]

Charlie: Yeah, we can get— we sometimes do get in a lot of trouble for that, but—

Justin: [wheezes]

Charlie: We—

Travis: Oh!

Justin: Do you ever— It would be cool to see a Zamboni drivin' down the street in the winter—

Griffin: [laughs]

Justin: — like, “Aw, here it goes!”

Charlie: I mean.

Griffin: [laughs]

[audience laughs]

Charlie: To be honest, that is how you transport them between ice rinks. Like—

Griffin: I was gonna say, how do you get a Zamboni from one place to the other, yeah.

Travis: Yeah.

Charlie: Well—

Justin: So—

Charlie: — anyway, the point is I know very little about hockey.

Justin: Yeah.

Charlie: And I— how do I interact with people that are hockey players, big hockey fans?

Griffin: Yeah.

Justin: Charlie, you mind treating me to a little bit of a bio real quick on how one ends up drivin' a Zamboni.

[audience laughs]

Griffin: [chuckles] Without being interested in hockey.

Justin: How do— You just like cold stuff? Or what's up?

Griffin: [wheezes]

[audience laughs]

Griffin: Big, round, cold stuff, huh

Charlie: The non-funny answer is that it's also at a pool that I started working at first. And then—

Travis: Wait, how did that get broached though?

Charlie: No.

Travis: Were they like, "Oh, you're really good at taking care of the water. How are you at driving large machinery and smoothing things out?"

[audience laughs]

Griffin: "What if the pool was colder and very dense."

[audience laughs]

Charlie: Yeah.

Travis: "But rough." [wheezes]

Griffin: Rough.

Travis: "And needed some work."

Charlie: And needed to be sliced up, yeah. But yeah, basically they— pool's only open in the summer.

Griffin & Travis: [simultaneously] Yeah.

Charlie: And so when—

Griffin: Indoor? Outdoor?

Charlie: Outdoor pool, yeah.

Travis: Oh, okay.

Griffin: Outdoor pool, so an outdoor Zamboni driver.

Charlie: No...

[audience laughs]

Charlie: The pool is outside.

Travis: Now hold on, Charlie.

Charlie: The ice rink is inside.

Griffin: Oh no, wait!

[audience laughs]

Griffin: So the pool— Hold on, no no no, hold on.

Travis: No no no. Everybody shut up.

Griffin: Oh yeah, okay! "We're all so smart!"

Justin: Griffin thought the pool froze.

Griffin: “We’re so smart, yeah!”

Justin: Griffin thought the pool froze, and they skated on it, guys!

Griffin: “We’re so smart!”

Justin: Everybody, shut up, listen.

Griffin: That’s you, by the way!

[audience laughs]

Justin: Griffin was like—

Griffin: “I’m the smartest! I didn’t think the pool was the ice rink in the winter!”

[audience laughs]

Justin: Griffin was thinking like, “This is really smart. Why isn’t everybody doing this?”

Charlie: [laughs]

[audience laughs]

Travis: If it was an ice rink, and I know Chicago gets cold. But I don’t think it’s an ice rink— outdoor ice rink nine months out of the year.

Griffin: If only there was someone we could ask.

[audience laughs]

Travis: Charlie stepped away from the microphone.

Charlie: I—

[audience laughs]

Griffin: I don’t blame Charlie.

Travis: Charlie said, "I'll let them have their moment."

Griffin: Yes.

Justin: Okay. Sorry, Charlie.

Griffin: So it's two different things.

Charlie: Yeah, basically.

Griffin: Okay, kick ass.

Charlie: Yeah, it's cool. It's fun there. My heart rate is very high right now.

Griffin: Yeah yeah yeah.

Charlie: We—

Travis: You're alright.

Griffin: Just like drivin' a Zamboni, right?

Charlie: Oh yeah.

Griffin: Just fuckin'—

Charlie: It is actually very exhilarating.

Justin: Probably the first time, I would think, certainly.

Griffin: Hey.

Charlie: Well, it does get— you do get used to it, but it's—

Griffin: It's still fun though, I bet.

Charlie: It is fun.

Griffin: Yeah, I bet!

Justin: Charlie.

Charlie: But the— what's— It's scary too.

Travis: Yeah, it's driving!

Charlie: 'Cause you know there's a big stinkin' blade in there.

Justin: Yeah.

Charlie: That's like—

Travis: Mowing the lawn.

Charlie: — really sh— Yes, similar. Similar.

Griffin: Wait, hold on, wait.

Charlie: But I don't do a shitty job, yeah.

Griffin: It's scary when you do the Zamboni for you?

Charlie: Well...

[audience laughs]

Griffin: No judgment, I'm curious.

Charlie: No yeah, like a little bit, because they... it's got the big blade in it.

Griffin: Right.

Charlie: You can't really see it.

Griffin: Right.

Charlie: But it's there.

Travis: Yeah.

Charlie: It's a big blade.

Travis: I would hope so.

Charlie: And I have to do it while there are like also people on the ice still.

Travis & Justin: [simultaneously] Oh no.

[audience groans sympathetically]

Justin: Wow. Hey Charlie, have you ever thought about the fact that you are able to hold a bunch of motherfuckers' lives in your hands?

[audience laughs]

Justin: And that doesn't stress you out, but faking an interest in hockey is like too much?

[audience laughs]

Justin: You're ice cold, literally, Charlie. What do you care?

Travis: Similar question, Charlie.

Charlie: Sure.

Travis: Say you're a Zamboni driver for 70 years.

Charlie: Okay.

Travis: In that 70 years, you kill one person.

Charlie: Okay.

Griffin: Yeah.

[audience laughs]

Travis: That seems pretty good to me, statistically. Will they give you that one? [wheezes]

Justin: I'm assuming it would be at the end of the seven years.
[chuckles]

[audience laughs]

Charlie: That seems like it would be a good time for retiring. I don't know.

Travis: Yeah.

Justin: Yeah, good time for letting go.

Travis: Yeah, is that how they know you're done?

Charlie: Pr—

[audience laughs]

Charlie: Probably.

Travis: Yeah.

Charlie: Probably.

Travis: "Oh, here's the watch."

Charlie: So I'm not there yet. [laughs]

Griffin: "A very cold watch." Charlie do you— So, do you live here in Chicago?

Charlie: Yeah. It's suburban, but yeah.

Griffin: Okay, but do you—

Charlie: Yeah.

Griffin: Are you interested at all in hockey?

Charlie: [hesitantly] Kind of.

Griffin: You could join— You could get on board with the world’s fuckin’ worst hockey team ever.

Charlie: Yeah.

Griffin: [claps]

[audience boos loudly]

Griffin: [cackles]

Justin: No!

Travis: Okay no. Hold on.

Justin: No!

Travis: Hold on.

[audience boos loudly]

Griffin: [laughs] No!

Charlie: Chicago and friends.

Travis: Hey, everybody.

Charlie: I’m very sorry that I let Griffin do that to this podcast.

Travis: Even— Just keep in mind, that was Toad saying that.

[audience laughs]

Justin: [laughs]

Travis: How much do they know about Zambonis?

Charlie: Usually very little, right.

Griffin: Okay.

Travis: There you go! You don't about their world, they don't know about yours.

Griffin: That's huge.

Travis: And one of you could kill the other one easily.

Justin: [laughs]

Griffin: [chuckles] Yeah.

[audience laughs]

Griffin: With their giant ice tank.

Charlie: The thing is—

Travis: They have tiny blades on their feet! You have a giant blade on your giant tank!

[audience laughs]

Justin: Practice this.

Charlie: Okay.

Justin: "I can't hear you! Zamboni!"

Griffin: Yeah.

[audience laughs]

Griffin: That even works—

Justin: "So loud."

Griffin: That works when you're not on the Zamboni.

Charlie: Yeah.

Griffin: You could be like, "I just finished up on the Zamboni, that shit's real loud."

Charlie: [chuckles]

Griffin: "So I'll talk to you about hockey... tomorrow."

[audience laughs]

Travis: I'll also give you this, I saw this recently as a thing that you can say in response to anything anyone says to you, whether you know about it or not. "Yeah, can you believe it?"

Griffin & Justin: [laugh]

[audience laughs]

Charlie: Ooo, okay.

Travis: 'Cause then they're like, "Oh, did you see that trade for the— that the hockey team just made?"

"Yeah, can you believe it?"

"Oh, did you see the game last night?"

"Yeah, can you believe it?"

[audience chuckles]

Justin: This isn't— It sounds so specific, and yet it's the most nothing ever.

Charlie: Yeah.

Justin: Okay, there's another solid technique where you could just repeat the last three words the person said. And this always works 100% of the time in any conversation.

Griffin: Yeah yeah yeah.

Justin: So Griffin, please talk to Charlie about like something general, like what kind of— Like don't ask him questions.

Griffin: So there's a—

Justin: Just ask him something about—

Griffin: There's a child prodigy named Connor Bedar.

[audience cheers]

Griffin: He plays for—

Justin: Okay, no wait. You have to take— You have to take breaks. Okay, so say that first sentence.

Griffin: There's a child prodigy, Connor Bedar.

Charlie: Child prodigy, Connor Bedar.

Griffin & Justin: That's four words.

Griffin: But that's fine. That's fine.

Justin: Yeah, yeah. That's good.

Travis: And you might wanna make it a question.

Charlie: Well— Oh.

Travis: Like not just repeat the word.

Justin: Yeah, sorry.

Charlie: Oh, Connor?

Travis: "Connor?"

Justin: "Connor Bedar?"

Griffin: He has— He had a—

Charlie: Instructions unclear, can we start over?

Griffin: He had an oopsy daisy fall down.

Justin: [wheezes]

Charlie: Okay. He fell down, did it hurt?

Griffin: That was so much more than three words, Charlie. I can't believe you're struggling with this so much.

[audience laughs]

Justin: Alright, one more try. Go ahead Griffin. Somethin' about hockey.

Griffin: He got a boo boo on his mouth, and had to become big soup fan.

Charlie: Big soup fan.

Griffin: Yes!

Charlie: Of—

Justin: Yes, that's great. Exactly!

[audience cheers]

Justin: Big soup fan!

Travis: "Big soup fan?"

Griffin: And I'm like, "Fuckin' Charlie knows hockey, man!"

Justin: Yeah, yeah. Or yeah, if you wanna fake you know, like, "Ha, big soup fan."

Charlie: Yeah.

Griffin: Yeah.

Justin: Like you know what I mean, like—

[audience laughs]

Justin: Charlie, does that—

Travis: “Big soup fan.”

Justin: Does that help, Charlie?

Charlie: Yes, it does.

Justin: Oh my god.

Griffin: Thank you, Charlie.

[audience cheers]

Griffin: [sings] Please be Callum, not a stranger coming down to take over the show.

Justin: [laughs

[audience laughs]

Griffin: Hi.

Justin: Hello.

Callum: Hi. I’m Callum, I use they/them pronouns.

Justin: Hello Callum.

Griffin: Hello Callum.

Travis: Hi Callum.

Callum: So I [sighs] am a snack person.

Griffin: Yeah.

Callum: I cannot go throughout my life hangry. This is a consistent problem for me.

Griffin: Right.

Travis: This is a wonderful framing of this question, 'cause I know what the question is, Callum. Go on.

Callum: Yeah. My question is is it socially acceptable to, let's say, bring a thermos of hotdogs out and...

[audience laughs]

Callum: Either do I keep this for myself?

Justin: Okay.

Callum: Should I offer to share?

Justin: Right.

Travis: No. No, please don't interrupt Callum.

[audience member cheers]

Travis: Say it again, social or...

Callum: Like personal, private hotdogs.

Griffin: [cackles]

Travis: There you are.

[audience laughs]

Griffin: Private hotdogs, the hotdogs for money.

Justin: That's a—

Callum: [laughs]

Justin: Personal hotdogs are a fun concept that Callum invented while writing this email.

[audience laughs]

Justin: And then said, "Yeah, that sounds like somethin' that exists."
[chuckles]

Travis: Now.

Justin: "Send."

Travis: Callum, here's what I love about this.

Callum: Yeah.

Travis: I am a parent, I have two children.

Callum: Mm.

Travis: Who I often have to pack snacks for.

Callum: Yes.

Travis: When we go places. Never, ever.

[audience chuckles]

Travis: Have I thought "Oh, okay. Maybe like a little baggie of Goldfish. Okay yeah, maybe some mini muffins. A thermos of hotdogs."

[audience laughs]

Griffin: But at the same time, I have put some shit into bento boxes that had no fucking business being there.

[audience laughs]

Travis: But here's what I wanna focus on, Callum, and here's what I loved about the question.

Callum: Mm.

Travis: Which do I love more? The idea of someone cracking open the thermos of hotdogs and going “Sorry, these are just for me.”

Callum: [chuckles]

[audience laughs]

Griffin: These—

Travis: Or, “Yeah. Oh, I’m being so rude. Hotdog?” [wheezes]

[audience laughs]

Justin: Both are unfathomable.

[audience laughs]

Travis: But here’s the thing, at most, I’m consuming hot— two hotdogs before I’m thinking about my actions.

Griffin: Yeah yeah.

[audience laughs]

Travis: But if you’ve prepped six or more hotdogs for an occasion, in a thermos.

Griffin: No, Trav Trav Trav Trav Trav.

Travis: You thought—

Griffin: No no no. It’s not— You’re not prep— Correct me if I’m wrong. You’re not prepping six— You’re not getting six dogs deep in the thermos.

[audience chuckles]

Griffin: For one occasion. That’s a day. You might have a breakfast dog or two, and then lunchtime, the thermos is still doing its job.

Travis: Well now, Callum! Are you packing a meal?! Or are you having a snack?

Justin: [wheezes]

Griffin: Is this an emergency revolver of hotdogs?

[audience laughs]

Justin: You have—

Callum: I—!

Travis: Do you have some wieners chambered?

Justin: Do you have breakfast sausages in there, and then more of a lunchtime sausage to enjoy?

Travis: And then maybe a bratwurst to finish off the evening, and then a dessert sausage!

[audience laughs]

Callum: I... This is where I get into is this a group of a private thing.

Justin: Right.

Callum: Because if I just have just one on deck for me.

Griffin: Yeah.

Callum: We're raising heads. But if I get the gang and we're all going to town—

Griffin: Weeeell...

Travis: Well now hold on.

Griffin: Now, hold on.

[audience laughs]

Justin: [wheezes]

Callum: [laughs]

Justin: Callum, stop it. You know what you've done, and it's ridiculous.

Callum: [laughs]

Justin: Your question presupposes, "Should I bring hotdogs to share?"
Not, "Should I get a bunch of fucking hotdog accomplices..."

Callum: [laughs]

[audience laughs]

Justin: "To come eat these meats in the wrong way in a party setting?"

Callum: [laughs]

Travis: Because here's the thing, Callum! That presupposes you've
texted, as you put it, "the gang."

Justin: "The gang"!

Callum: [laughs] Yeah!

Travis: And said—

Justin: The hotdog gang.

Travis: — "Hey everyone! Who's bringing the thermos full of hotdogs this
time?!"

Callum: [laughs]

Justin: "Psych, it's me, Callum, as always."

[audience laughs]

Griffin: [wheezes]

Travis: "I've already ruined this one, it's not like I'm putting coffee in it after this!"

[audience laughs]

Callum: [laughs]

Justin: "I have the thermos that smells weird."

[audience laughs]

Griffin: I do wanna say, you said if you go on a private hotdog adventure, you'll turn head. There's a lack of creativity in that statement, in that you could go into a nearby bathroom or something to do your business.

[audience groans in disapproval]

Travis: That's worse, and you fucking know it. [chuckles]

[audience laughs]

Travis: If you go to shoot up hotdogs in the— [wheezes]

[audience laughs]

Travis: You know that that is a problem, in and of itself.

Griffin: Yeah, but no one has to know, right Callum? [chuckles]

[audience laughs]

Griffin: It's just a hotdog or two. Or you didn't— don't even have to go to the bathroom. You got the thermos right there like, you could be like, "Yum yum, time to crawfee."

[audience laughs]

Griffin: "Om nom gronk gronk."

Travis: Seems like some thick coffee.

Griffin: Yeah, I don't know what sound you make while eating a hotdog discretely from a thermos.

Justin: Yeah.

Griffin: But it apparently it's "gronk" over and over.

Justin: "There's a shade grown." [imitates noisily eating]

Griffin: [laughs] This kicks ass, Callum! Yes! It's not— Okay, to answer your question, no it's not socially acceptable. Now!

[audience laughs]

Callum: [laughs]

Justin: Today.

Griffin: There's no trailblazers.

Travis: But you know we used to think that the sun went around the Earth.

Justin: Thank you, Travis. Thank you.

[audience cheers]

Justin: Callum, does that answer your question?

Callum: Yeah, that answers my question.

Justin: Thank you so much.

Griffin: Thank you so much.

[audience applauds]

Travis: I love that question so much.

[audience cheers]

Griffin: Do we have Titus?

Justin: Titus.

Griffin: Do we have Titus?

Justin: Titus?

Travis: Oh yeah. Oh Titus.

Griffin: Oh Titus, there he is.

Travis: Okay.

Justin: Oh, great Titus, good. I bet you're surprised to be up here, huh.

Travis: Titus.

Titus: Very surprised.

Justin: Okay.

Griffin: Okay, yeah. [laughs]

Justin: Hey folks, we got four emails in a sequence from Titus.

Griffin: [laughs] Alright, now listen.

Travis: Now Titus.

Griffin: This is not us putting you on blast, Titus. We had a real good time reading your emails backstage.

Travis: Titus, you know that this is from a place of love, right?

Griffin: Yeah, it's important.

Justin: Right?

Travis: Hold on, Griffin.

Titus: I'm glad you guys laughed so much.

Griffin: It was so good. We—

Justin: Okay. Now here's Titus's four emails.

Griffin: We— By the way.

Justin: I've memorized the first one, 'cause it was blank.

Griffin: Yeah.

Titus: [laughs]

[audience laughs]

Justin: Email one.

Griffin: Email one.

Travis: Wait wait wait, hold on. Titus, are you havin' a good time tonight?

Titus: I'm having a very good time tonight.

Griffin: Yes.

Justin: Yeah.

Travis: Okay okay okay okay okay.

Justin: Okay.

Griffin: Okay.

[audience cheers]

Griffin: Email one, blank. Email two, "I won half a vasectomy. U103."

Titus: [chuckles]

Griffin: Email three. "Sorry, I meant 'U206'."

Justin: Okay, now hold on.

[audience laughs]

Justin: You put in a seat number that was half of your actual seat number.

[audience laughs]

Justin: Now you didn't get one number wrong, you put half of what your actual seat number was. You did division and fucked up. Got it—

Travis: Were you too focused on the half a vasectomy part?

Titus: [laughs] No, I realized I was sitting in the wrong seat after I sent the email. [laughs]

Travis: Okay.

[audience laughs]

Travis: So it wasn't, Titus, my original assumption that you were counting 103 per testicle.

Justin: So you sent the first email from— [laughs]

[audience laughs]

Justin: You sent it—

Travis: And then you were— Titus! Then you were worried.

Griffin: [cackles]

Travis: That a different Titus in U103 would have a testicle-related question.

Griffin: One testicle!

[audience laughs]

Justin: One testicle.

Travis: And there would be a confusion.

Griffin: Yeah, okay.

Titus: Very much so.

Justin: Okay, for—

Griffin: So blank, “I won half a vasectomy – U103,” “Sorry, I meant U206,” fourth email “Also, I’m Titus. Sick show, by the way.”

[audience laughs]

Griffin: And this is how you do it.

[audience cheers]

Titus: [laughs]

Griffin: Yeah.

Justin: So Titus, we don’t actually have any advice for you, Titus, we just wanted to come up and say thank you. [chuckles]

Travis: No, I—

[audience laughs]

Travis: I do have one question.

Titus: Mm.

Travis: How did you win it? [wheezes]

Griffin: I have like 55 fucking ques—

Justin: Yeah.

Griffin: How do you not have more than one?

Titus: Oh boy, do I have a story for you.

Justin: Oh no, see—

Griffin: Mr. Beast!

Titus: [laughs]

Griffin: Was it Mr. Beast?

Justin: See, it was—

Titus: It was not Mr. Beast.

Griffin: Did you win it in one of Mr. Beast's diabolical games?

Titus: [laughs]

Travis: Did it start off the winner doesn't have to get a vasectomy, second place half of a— [wheezes]

Griffin: Or two players win first prize and have to share it?

Titus: It was at one of my jobs, they had an event and it's the only art house theater in the entire state, so a lot of different people will contribute different things for charity.

Griffin: Right.

Titus: And for some reason, this doctor who has done, I've done my research, over 4000 non-scalpel vasectomies, decided to donate half of a vasectomy that is worth \$800. You have to pay the other half.

Justin: It's a coo—

[audience laughs]

Griffin: So let's say—

Travis: Can I say, that's good business.

Griffin: Can I say, I would spring for this.

[audience laughs]

Titus: Ohhh, don't worry.

Griffin: That's remarkable value.

Justin: Yeah.

Travis: That's a good deal.

Griffin: And I'm pretty much done. [chuckles]

[audience laughs]

Griffin: With that whole department.

Travis: And can I say? 50/50 odds.

Titus: [chuckles]

Travis: Better.

Griffin: It's pretty—

Travis: Can you get "just have a—" [wheezes]

[audience laughs]

Griffin: No, I don't think the doctor was offering one.

Titus: I don't think that's how that works.

Griffin: No.

Titus: I'm not a doctor, but.

Travis: Hey, I've had one, have you?

Titus: Woah.

[audience laughs]

Justin: But that's— I don't wanna know the answer to that question. Don't answer that question. I don't wanna know the answer to that question, thank you.

Titus: [laughs] Well, I didn't win it in the raffle, but later that night, there was a contest, and the vasectomy was untaken, and I won that contest.

Justin: Ahhh.

Titus: And they're like, "You could choose from the raffle prizes." So I out loud, in front of—

Griffin: What were the other fucking options, Titus?

[audience laughs]

Titus: [laughs] Nothing as funny as half of a vasectomy.

Justin: That's true.

Titus: That was announced by a drag queen in front of a whole bunch of old people.

Griffin: Yeah no, that's fuckin' great.

Justin: Good, that's good.

Griffin: You gotta do it.

[audience laughs]

Titus: I looked at them and I said, "I'll take the half of a vasectomy," and nobody laughed!

Griffin: I'll betcha—

Travis: Oh, okay.

Justin: Aw, what?

Griffin: [cackles]

[Some audience member boo]

Travis: Listen, Titus, I'm gonna tell you right now. You're funnier than the three of us put together for that move.

Justin: Yes.

Griffin: [laughs]

[audience laughs]

Justin: Yeah, it's a good play. Titus, thank you so much, I hope we helped you.

Titus: Oh yes you did. Thank you.

[audience cheers]

Justin: Enjoy.

Griffin: Enjoy your half a vasectomy.

Justin: Thanks Titus, you rule.

Griffin: Thank you.

Justin: And this has been really fun, thank you! [chuckles]

Griffin: Thank you so much for coming out tonight.

Justin: Hope you had a good time.

Griffin: Thank you to the Riviera for having us. Thank you Chicago.

[audience cheers]

Griffin: A lot of— Just a lot of thanks up here tonight. Thanks to Paul and Rachel and Amanda.

Justin: Amanda and...

[audience cheers]

Justin: Our dad.

Griffin: Thank you to our dad.

Justin: Clint McElroy.

Griffin: Thank you Clint McElroy.

Travis: Eh.

Griffin: And there's the poster by Cynthia Sularis. Thank you so much, check it out in the lobby, it's beautiful and we signed some of 'em. Hey, y'all. [chuckles] We've got a new way to finish out the show that we've never tried, because y'all are the first stop in our 20-Fungalore tour.

[audience cheers]

Griffin: We've started submitting wishes to Fungalore at the end of our episodes. Fungalore is a benevolent mushroom guy [wheezes] who grants wishes sometimes.

Travis: Well, no, not benevolent. I would say ambivalent.

Griffin: Ambivalent mushroom guy.

Travis: Because he does not grant.

Griffin: He does hear them though, he hears the, for sure.

Travis: And can I say, as the person who goes through the questions and the wishes.

Griffin: Please clear this up.

Travis: A lot of you are asking Fungalore to grant wishes. Fungalore does not grant wishes.

Griffin: No.

Travis: He simply hears them.

[audience chuckles]

Griffin: He detects desire.

Travis: He is the US Postal Service.

Griffin: Yes.

Travis: To Santa Claus.

Griffin: Right.

Travis: Yeah?

Griffin: Okay.

Justin: So.

Griffin: We would—

Justin: We said all our thank yous. Thank you so much, come see us at C2E2.

Griffin: Have we said thanks to Montaigne for the use of our theme song, "My Life (It's Better With You)"?

[audience cheers]

Griffin: I don't think we did.

Justin: Can we all get you all to create a gentle sound bath?

Griffin: Gentle, there's a lot of you.

Justin: Gentle.

Travis: Gentle.

Griffin: A gentle sound bath.

Travis: It doesn't have to be uniform.

Justin: Go ahead.

Griffin: No, but if you do wanna harmonize and make it sound like—

Justin: [starts humming]

Griffin: — we're at a cool concert or something.

Justin: I'll get you started. [sings a note]

Griffin: [sings a sustained note]

Justin: Let's hear it. Shh.

Travis: Okay, you boys stop.

Justin: That's perfect.

[audience sing together]

Justin: Keep goin' don't be afraid.

Travis: Yeah.

Justin: We're all in this together.

Travis: Wait, no don't.

Justin: "I wish that candy corn didn't make you feel like that afterwards."

[audience laughs]

Travis: "I wish my dog would stop acting like I'm the villain when I put on his harness."

[audience oos in understanding]

Griffin: "I wish I was the type of person that buys tastier gummy vitamins."

[audience laughs]

Justin: "Please make my father stop bringing home deli-sized logs of salami!"

[audience laughs]

Travis: "I wish my dad would stop buying china cabinets."

Griffin: "Please, please let me do one, one hit at work with the giant blow up Tootsy Pop!"

Justin: "I wish the children at the library would stop asking me if we have *Roblox* on the computers."

[audience laughs]

Travis: "I wish that bugs were slightly bigger, so that I wouldn't have to worry about losing track of them. It would also be kind of cool!"

Griffin: "Fungalore, please make them put the rat hole back."

[audience cheers uproariously]

Justin: My name is Justin McElroy.

Travis: I'm Travis McElroy.

Griffin: I'm Griffin McElroy.

[theme music fades in]

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

[outro theme music plays]

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