

## Here to Judge- Episode 37- Podcast of the Year

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[Here to Judge Theme Song]

Robin: Welcome to Here to Judge where we scour the internet to dissect dilemmas and decide who's to blame. Here to Judge today is me, Robin Morgan.

Leila: Me, Leila Navabi.

Priya: And me, Priya Hall.

'Am the asshole telling the truth in a wedding toast? I'm a 30 year old male and my best friend got married last week. I just bought a house and my wife is expecting our son in November, so I let him know I was limited in what I could contribute financially, but did tell him I would try my best. So I went to the bachelor party in Maine. I rented the tux, I paid for mine and my wife's dinner at the rehearsal dinner. I also had a gift of \$300 that I was going to give them, but we will get to why I didn't give it to them. His (now wife, then fiancée) texted me multiple times a day with updates, fine. I didn't always respond and it got to the point where if I didn't respond at least once a day, I'd get a call from my buddy. (I have a full time job and I'm redoing some rooms in the house, so I'm busy.) She texted me for the following reasons'. Just for reference this is a bullet pointed and numbered list.

Leila: Oh my god.

Robin: Christ.

Priya: '1) My wife was not allowed to talk about our pregnancy at all. She didn't want anyone to focus on that more than her, the bride. 2) She was not going to order special food for my wife (no one asked her to, my wife was fine with whatever she was going to be served.)'

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Leila: [Laughs]

Priya: '3) I was not helping the groom enough, he had to help her with favours, seating charts and programs, so I had to help him with those things, according to her. She also said to get ready to help with thank you notes after the wedding. 4) She said if I was a true best man, I would offer to pay for the bar bill. I don't even know what that means.'

Priya: 5)

Robin: Wow.

Priya: I know this is so long.

Leila: This is crazy.

Priya: [Laughs] 'She had to read a approve my speech before the rehearsal dinner and wanted to be included as much, as my buddy. She told me to make up things up if I had to. I was also not allowed to include anyone but the two of them and no inside jokes or stories about my buddy that didn't include her. 6) Her last text said to tell my wife to keep it together and not make a pregnancy scene during the wedding. Also, she wanted her to choose a dress that downplayed her pregnancy as much as possible.'

Leila: What the fuck?!

Priya: I know.

Robin: [Laughs]

Priya: 'I was just so aggravated, I spoke to my friend to see if he could reason with her. He told me to just play ball on this one, it's her day and to cut him a break because he'd be dealing with her nonsense for the rest of his life.'

Leila: Oh my god.

Robin: Oh that's so sad.

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- Priya: 'I was annoyed but calmed down.' It's so bleak isn't it?
- Leila: Run for the fuckin' hills run.
- Priya: 'The day of, all the bride and my buddy do is scold me, berate me, and bark orders. I head down to the bar for the a drink, the bride's mother is there and warns me not to get drunk because I've ruined her daughter's day enough. Final straw. I didn't give them the card with the cash and in the speech, I used my friend's exact wording about having to deal with her nonsense for the rest of his life.'
- Robin: No way.
- Priya: 'I wished them the best and told him I'd always be there for him, especially during the divorce.'
- Leila: Ah yes!
- Priya: 'Am I the asshole?'
- Robin: Ohhhh!
- Leila: Not even a bit, no.
- Priya: This is brutal.
- Robin: That is such a lovely way of finishing this off.
- Leila: Brutal.
- Robin: I completely forgot the title of this and I was just feeling sad for the guy. And he's absolutely smashed it.
- Leila: Yeah, no that's what you would do isn't it? If it was me at this point I think I'd be like 'I'm not being your best man, you need to run very far away, this is terrible, don't get married.'
- Priya: I say run as soon as it becomes obvious that the bride hates pregnant women. Like is that not immediately obvious that she hates them?

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- Leila: Yeah the fact that it was like she's going to give him, like what can't pregnant women eat? It's going to be like Yakult?
- Robin: [Laughs]
- Leila: Like everything that could possibly kill the baby that she's just literally going to like induce an abortion.
- Priya: Just unpasteurised milk.
- Robin: It will be raw meat, loads of shellfish, caffeine induced shellfish and she has to eat it on a trampoline whilst doing heroine.
- Leila: Yeah what the hell.
- Priya: She's drinking from a carafe of gin for the whole thing.
- Robin: Yeah [laughs]
- Leila: No actually maybe he was right to keep doing the speech because it was almost like she just kept going. You know when someone wants to fuck you off and you're doing really well? But they keep 'You can't do this, and also you can't do this and also don't do'. Have you ever had that?
- Priya: Yeah.
- Leila: Someone wants to piss you off that badly, especially like if you worked in retail in your life, that's definitely like a managerial. I remember there was this one woman when I was working at John Lewis, it was like one of the managers who would be like 'Oh Leila you can't wrap the mugs because you don't have wrap training'.
- Robin: I thought you are going to say 'You're not allowed to rap, you're not allowed to rap in the shop'.
- Priya: Leila she might have had a point.
- Leila: [Rapping] What the hell? You've ruined my life. Why do I work here every night? Yeah [laughs].

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- Robin: Just trying to become the new Christmas advert with like rapping [laughs].
- Leila: [Laughs]
- Robin: They're bound to see it.
- Priya: And the rapping is all incredibly offensive Leila. It's two o'clock in the afternoon in a John Lewis.
- Leila: [Laughs] Oh god. No, they called it wrap training and they were like 'You haven't done it'. And I was like 'No worries' and then she'd demean me constantly in front of customers, and it would be like constant, constant, constant and it got to the point where I just wasn't giving her any reaction and she clearly wanted me to blow up at her or something. And she got so irritated that I wasn't giving her a reaction that she went 'Bwah!' at me, just like that once, and I was like OK. And she was like 'Nothing fazes you!' That's what this is.
- Robin: No way, she actually said that?
- Priya: She practically admitted it.
- Leila: Yes, yes. She went like 'Ahhhh!' like that in my face.
- Robin: Oh my god.
- Leila: Because she was just desperate and she just kept being more and more offensive and you know what it's like, you just, the best way to conquer retail jobs is to just eradicate any semblance of personality at all.
- Priya: Just completely die them in the eyes.
- Leila: I would go in there and be like, I'm acting, I'm playing a character.
- Priya: I'm not here.
- Leila: I'm not here, it's not me. I honestly would leave the shift and be like [draws breath].

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Priya: I think that's called disassociating Leila.

Leila: Yeah [laughs].

Priya: I think it's a symptom rather than a defence mechanism.

Leila: [Laughs] Yeah it's like if you had an operation and you wake up afterwards and it's like no time has passed, do you know what I mean? Like I'd walk out of that building and then be like, oh back in my body.

Robin: Yeah it's like crossing the threshold is becoming lobotomised and then going back in [laughs].

Leila: Yeah, yeah. Yeah, yeah, yeah. I would walk in there and yeah disassociate to get through a job in retail.

Robin: I just remembered those things of like my retail jobs of the thing of having to put stuff, did you have lockers at John Lewis?

Leila: Yeah, yeah, yeah, yeah of course.

Robin: That for the moment for me I think is when you're like, oh it's because you know before you start...

Leila: Yeah and it said on the inside of them 'Don't forget to smile' as well.

Robin: Ahhhhhh!

Priya: When I worked in cinema we had like a key-card log-in system.

Leila: Yeah.

Robin: Sure.

Priya: And it was doing that and some people would avoid doing that for as long as possible because it was just so soul crushing [laughs].

Leila: Yeah.

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Robin: Yeah of course.

Priya: Seeing all the signs being like 'Remember you're not allowed to steal anything from concessions. You're not allowed to be rude to the customers'.

Leila: All the fuckin' things. Like as if you're going to drink the melted cheese. Is that what they're like?

Robin: [Laughs]

Priya: We're in a cinema, I don't want to eat this food, I've seen how many children touch it like.

Robin: Yeah.

Leila: Oh stop! That's so grim. Yeah.

Robin: Slush Puppies in your pockets by the end of the day.

Leila: Yeah Tango Ice Blasts.

Robin: [Laughs]

Priya: Just like whole hotdogs.

Leila: [Laughs]

Robin: Open up a jacket and like there's just loads of hotdogs inside it.

Leila: [Laughs]

Priya: But one guy did once steal some chicken nuggets from the cinema I worked in and my main memory from that job is him eating them in the staffroom and just going 'These chicken nuggets taste like ass!'

Robin: [Laughs]

Priya: And being like OK I need to leave.

Leila: Yeah what the fuck yeah. Do you know I've never done that but like.

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Robin: Oh god [laughs].

Leila: You could like go fine dining for the price of like a cinema. This is so not related to this story at all.

Priya: I think we got distracted from the wedding.

Robin: Yeah.

Priya: I think he is an asshole but I think he's a justified asshole.

Robin: Yeah.

Priya: It's definitely an asshole move but completely understandable given the circumstance.

Robin: Totally.

Leila: Oh but you would be wouldn't you? You'd have to.

Robin: I'm glad he's defended himself.

Priya: I think he should have bowed out straightaway. As soon as she started ragging on his pregnant wife, I think he should have been like oh this isn't...

Robin: I mean this woman sounds unhappy.

Priya: Mm yeah.

Leila: So does he!

Robin: And the fact that the dude is just like 'It's her day, it's her day' not our day, it's her day. That's a red flag.

Priya: The groom being like I'm going to have to put up with her nonsense for the rest of my life I don't know why you're complaining.

Leila: Yeah!

Robin: Oh it's so sad isn't it?

Priya: Jesus Christ what a lot of effort and money to go to, to be legally bound to someone you hate.

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Leila: If you're a good best man which I'm assuming means you're his closest friend, that's when you sit down with that person and say 'I don't think you should do this'.

Robin: Yeah. Mad.

[Here to Judge- Interim Music]

[Promotion for Welcome to Spooktown]

[Here to Judge- Interim Music]

Leila: 'Am I the asshole for taking a weekend to myself over the death of a fictional character?' Hang on, look my lovely girlfriend has brought me a cup of tea, thank you so much [laughs].

Robin: [Laughs]

Priya: [Laughs]

Leila: It's good isn't it? Right. OK let me do this. 'So, Saturday evening I (Female 22)' I'm going to say now, this isn't me. I feel like I've been given this deliberately, right here we are. 'Saturday evening I (Female 22) I was supposed to go out with a friend. We didn't have any particular plan, we just wanted to hang out and maybe grab a coke or whatever.'

Robin: [Laughs] It was in the '60s.

Leila: Yeah [laughs] Grab a coke, yeah, yeah, yeah. 'I was reading a book, earlier this week and my favourite character died. It was a pretty terrible death, it was a young character, and well there were a lot of details about his death that were pretty heartbreaking to me. I still cry when I think about it.' Oh my god this person is such a wet wipe, sorry.

Robin: A wet wipe!

Priya: What a description.

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Leila: 'I often react in similar ways to the deaths of fictional characters, but I have a couple of coping mechanisms. I write fan fictions'

Robin: Of course you do. Of course you do.

Leila: 'But somehow this time it only made things worse. I talk to other people who have read the book, but this series seems to have no fan base. So I just decided to allow myself to grieve, how stupid it may sound, and I took a weekend to take care of myself and cry while eating ice cream.'

Robin: Imagine if this book is the bible and the character is Jesus.

Leila: Yeah [laughs] I was going to say, yeah, yeah, yeah aw god. 'I told my friend I couldn't go out with her and asked if we could reschedule for next week, she said 'no problem'. However, today she asked me if I was alright and why had I rescheduled. She's my oldest friend, she knows me well, so I decided I might as well just tell her the truth, and I did, thinking nothing of it. She was appalled and called me an asshole for caring more about a fictional character than her. But I mean, that's not what happened, I just get emotional over stupid things sometimes and I need to disconnect myself from the world to deal with it. Also, if she had told me she couldn't reschedule I would have hung out with her anyway. So am I the asshole?'

Priya: What a dweeb. What a fucking dweeb.

Robin: Yeah.

Leila: Yeah sorry this is proper damp innit? It's like I want to have patience with people like this but when there are so many actual people dying in the world, that's when I'm like. Back in maybe 2014 when everything was fine, fine like be upset about a fictional character you have nothing

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else to be upset over. Now you're not allowed to be upset over fictional characters I've decided, that's my.

Robin: [Laughs]

Priya: I think that's a good shout.

Robin: Yeah.

Leila: Yeah?

Priya: The ocean is on fire, there are worse things to be worried about than your book that is probably bad if it has no fan base.

Robin: I'd love to know what it is.

Priya: Yeah.

Leila: What book? Like do you know what I mean? She wrote fan fiction about it but it has no fan base.

Robin: Yeah so she's just writing fiction [laughs].

Priya: Yeah she's just writing, she is fan.

Robin: Yeah [laughs].

Leila: Also isn't fan fiction sexual? Or am I going mad?

Robin: Often times yes, I mean sometimes it's sex based.

Leila: Isn't that what it is? Isn't it like a? I thought in my head, I had a friend when One Direction were really popular who used to write One Direction.

Robin: Yeah.

Leila: And when I say I had a friend it wasn't me, definitely I swear to god it wasn't. That's what that sounded like.

Priya: [Laughs]

Leila: I remember she showed me once and it was like he put his boiling hot cock into my.

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Robin: [Laughs]

Priya: [Laughs]

Leila: And it was really like, it was really horrible.

Priya: It shouldn't be boiling hot [laughs] It shouldn't be hot.

Leila: [Laughs] I know.

Robin: Can we please put a trigger warning on? Because honestly if anyone has a boiling hot cock this will really.

Leila: Boiling hot cock [laughs]. I'm proposing a series now, lesbian writes...

Robin: Yeah, yeah, yeah.

Priya: Yes please.

Leila: ...gay fan fiction about gay men or just penises in general. Because I have no clue. It's boiling hot! That's how it works isn't it? Yeah, yeah, yeah.

Robin: That's so funny. You should write sex for straight men [laughs].

Priya: Oh yes, please.

Leila: My boiling hot cock is smiling at you, yeah [laughs].

Robin: It's respecting you.

Leila: This episode is called Boiling Hot Cock, it just is now.

Robin: There goes the sponsors.

Leila: Yeah bye everyone.

Priya: I will say, I have been a dweeb that reads fan fiction.

Leila: Have you?

Priya: Not sexual ones, because they're all really creepy and they have boiling hot cocks.

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Robin: [Laughs]

Priya: If it's for something, like say you enjoy a book or a TV show, I don't do it now. Say you enjoy a book or a TV show and you want more of that content it used to be that all you could do was read fan fiction. And it was bad.

Leila: Like read the same thing written by teenagers.

Robin: What did you? What was the book or film?

Priya: Buffy the Vampire Slayer.

Robin: OK.

Priya: And Firefly. I've been this dweeb but I would never miss out on an actual social engagement because I was crying over a fictional character. Get a grip.

Robin: Yeah.

Priya: If I got a grip, you can get a grip.

Leila: I'm trying to think if I've ever cried over a fictional character? I mean yeah, I really cried at Mae Martin's show.

Robin: There's not enough boiling hot cocks in that show for me.

Leila: There's not enough boiling hot cocks, yeah there really aren't.

Robin: No, no, no.

Priya: If anything there's too many boiling hot cocks in that show.

Robin: [Laughs]

Leila: Yeah I cry at Disney films but like that's why I don't watch them.

Priya: Yeah.

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- Robin: Do you reckon people have written fan fiction about Disney films?
- Leila: Yes.
- Priya: Oh for sure.
- Robin: Like sexual fan fiction?
- Leila: Yes. Yeah I'm sure.
- Priya: Yeah, no doubt.
- Robin: Really? Eww.
- Leila: 100%.
- Priya: That should be a podcast, where we review Disney based erotic fan fiction.
- Leila: I feel like every week we're like just going for a better idea for a podcast than our podcast [laughs]. I'm like now we should just do one where we dissect lyrics from songs.
- Robin: We could do it like a spinoff episode.
- Priya: Yeah.
- Leila: I would like to do that.
- Priya: You describing this person as a wet wipe really resonated with me and that's how I'm going to describe myself from now on.
- Leila: Yeah.
- Robin: Yeah.
- Priya: But even I have not been in this state.
- Robin: Well that's it, that's what I was going to say at the start. Like it's quite rare to sort of feel like I have the upper hand in terms of not being the biggest wet wiper known in a conversation. Like all three of us feel that way about this person.

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Priya: Yeah.

Leila: Yeah.

Robin: It's great.

Priya: Once in my school we had to do a presentation on song lyrics, we had to choose song lyrics and do like an analysis of them. And someone chose Family Portrait by P!nk and I cried throughout the presentation.

Leila: [Laughs hysterically]

Robin: [Claps]

Priya: And I remember all of us going 'We shouldn't be here'.

Leila: Is this person a big les now? Is that? Are they? They are aren't they?

Priya: Oh my god yeah [laughs].

Leila: Yeah of course they are! Of course they are yeah 100%. Yeah P!nk. I'm sorry there are two types of lesbian in my opinion, there are only two types it's very binary. It's I love P!nk and I'm deeply uncool. Or I hate P!nk and I'm really fucking cool. And I would like to put myself in the I really don't like P!nk's music at all, it really grinds my gears.

Robin: [Laughs] I love how P!nk is literally the like the middle of the entire lesbian culture.

Leila: I can't stand P!nk. Yeah it is, it really does. It separates us all apart like.

Priya: [Laughs] There's P!nk and Shannon Matthews.

Robin: Yeah [laughs].

Leila: Yeah it is, it is.

Priya: Are you a P!nk lesbian or a Shannon Matthews lesbian?

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Robin: That is so funny.

Leila: Yeah that is genuinely true, of course she is. Yeah people who cry at P!nk songs. Ugh.

Robin: That is amazing, going into a gay bar 'P!nk or Shannon? P!nk that way, Shannon that way'.

Leila: What song did you do Priya?

Priya: What song did I do? I think I put off doing it for the longest time because I didn't like public speaking. And then eventually just graduated [laughs].

Leila: Oh brilliant.

Priya: Without doing it at all [laughs].

Robin: Do you think they're going to ask you to go back now you're famous and you'll have to do it?

Leila: Yeah.

Robin: At a sort of um alumni event.

Priya: I think they will never let me into that school after listening to the Podcast. It's a great idea for an English teacher to go like, 'They hate poetry, what about your sad angsty teen songs? What about you talk about them instead'.

Robin: Yeah.

Leila: Yeah that is really good.

Priya: A shout out to my English teacher, she was great.

Robin: Mine English teacher she did the sort of thing she was really into it, she was really, really good and she awarded me poet laureate in sixth form.

Priya: Aww.

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Robin: And then my first year of uni I had to go back to school and accept this award and I was very nervous and shy, I had to walk onto the stage and get given this. And my teacher had written this like bio for me. 'His poetry is very influenced by music' and I think I just sort of like copied and pasted my death metal band lyrics for some of it.

Leila: When I was a young man my father...

Robin: Yeah, yeah, yeah. Took me into the city...

Priya: Is this death metal guys?

Robin: Yeah, yeah.

Leila: Yeah that's death metal in my eyes.

Robin: It's not and I want everyone to know that I know that it's not. So I walked onto the stage and the guy who was just some fuckin' dude, I think he was like a local MP or councillor or something? Sort of said 'So what music are you influenced by?' In this kind of like sort of like handover thing.

Leila: Oh.

Robin: And I uh panicked and said Lighthouse Family.

Priya: [Laughs]

Robin: There we go, you know shy boy.

Leila: Aww.

Priya: He was a people pleaser.

Robin: Yeah.

Leila: I've got to tell you something now. I'm scared to tell it because it's so good that you have to keep it in but I'm worried that this person will hear it. There is a woman [laughs]...

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Priya: Oh no.

Leila: There's a woman out there that claims to be the LGBT poet laureate right. Her website is [LGBTpoetlaureate.com](http://LGBTpoetlaureate.com) That award doesn't exist. And she headlined London Pride.

Robin: Nooooo!

Leila: Or did the main stage at London Pride. She does gigs all the time with like lesbian comics and is like she was awarded the LGBT poet laureateship in 2016. And you look it up, it's never existed, she's made up this title. And she's made so much fucking money off pretending she's the LGBT poet laureate whatever the fuck that is [laughs].

Robin: That's amazing.

Leila: I'm telling you, she's quite like big because she calls herself the LGBT poet laureate but it's never existed.

Priya: I've got so much respect for that.

Robin: It is insane isn't it?

Leila: The role of LGBT poet laureate [bleep] has become the inaugural LGBT+ poet laureate since 2016. There has never been another one.

Priya: [Laughs] She's appointed it herself.

Leila: [Laughs] Yeah exactly, isn't that amazing?

Robin: It's just like me calling myself it's just like a name isn't it? She's just branded herself as that.

Leila: I'm going to start calling myself Lesbian Comic of the Year.

Robin: Yeah totally.

Leila: Fuck it.

Robin: Oh that would be so good wouldn't it?

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Leila: I'm a fan. I think this is such a great idea. Just give yourself an award. Like fuck these awards. Let's be honest though, right. Awards in general, and I'm sorry if either of you have ever won awards right, but I think awards are absolute tosh, bollocks. It's just old men sitting in a room deciding which other like, I hate, how can you make people compete like that for titles? I think it's all stupid. So you might as well just call yourself whatever you want to call yourself I think.

Robin: So are you saying that the high school poet laureate award was not...

Leila: [Laughs] No you're allowed that one.

Robin: That's lovely, but awards are bullshit! So...

Leila: No not all awards, comedy awards.

Robin: Tell them to go fuck himself.

Leila: Specially comedy awards. And I'm not just saying that because I've never won one all right? But actually I have because I'm LGBTQ Community Comedian of the Year.

Robin: And podcaster of the year as well.

Priya: Yeah.

Leila: Five years running. Here to Judge, can we start calling ourselves the Podcast of the Year?

Priya: [Laughs] I'm sure Podcast of the Year actually exists as an award so we need to go for one that isn't real on account of fraud.

Leila: OK but we'll be like the PRL Podcast of the Year.

Priya: Yeah fully onboard with that.

Leila: Priya, Robin and Leila's podcast. No one fucking...

Robin: It took me a little while. It took me a little while to work that out.

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- Priya: He's sleepy today.
- Leila: PRL Podcast of the Year 2020 and 2021.
- Priya: Delicious, yes please.
- Leila: I think that's brilliant.
- Robin: Yeah nice.
- Priya: And we can just refer to ourselves as award winning all the time.
- Robin: Yeah.
- Priya: Award winning comedians.
- Robin: What was the story?
- Leila: This is the asshole fictional character one.
- Priya: Oh right yeah.
- Robin: Um?
- Priya: I think asshole.
- Robin: Yeah.
- Priya: It is rude to her friend. Keep your messiness to yourself. We've all been there but get a grip.
- Robin: Yeah.
- Leila: Just like hide it, just lie about your issues.
- Robin: Yes correct.
- Leila: That's a lesson we like to perpetuate on [sings] Here to Judge.
- Robin: The award winning Here to Judge.
- Leila: The award winning podcast Here to Judge.
- Priya: [Laughs]

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[Here to Judge- interim music]

[Promotion for Who Are You Wearing?]

[Here to Judge- interim music]

Robin: OK we're off to the land of Reddit. 'Am I the asshole for telling my girlfriend that her cosplay is incorrect? Me, 23 female and my girlfriend, 24 female, were going to go to an event in cosplay as a couple. This was a cosplay picnic outside. She was going as a character from a show we like and I was going as a character this character ends up in a relationship with. Her character is a butler but hasn't always been that (This is important!) We were both going to base our costumes on the movie costumes, so that we could match. Her character does not wear white gloves in the movie and haven't wore them since the first season of the series. White gloves are therefore very inaccurate for this character. She still made white gloves for her cosplay. I think there is some Mandela effect going on because she swore he wears white gloves in the movie but he doesn't and the movie poster clearly shows him without white gloves' I don't know what the Mandela effect is, let's talk about that in a second.

Priya: [Laughs]

Robin: 'I said it's inaccurate and that she shouldn't wear them. A lot of the people in our cosplay group are very strict on accuracy and I was afraid they were going to point it out and make it awkward for her at the picnic so I'd rather point it out to her at home. She got upset with me and says I'm wrong and also always nitpicking. I said 'I'm not nitpicking and I'm not wrong and that butlers shouldn't wear white gloves!' Cool. 'She said the brim of my hat is one inch too big for the era and I should focus on that instead (she's an milliner focusing on historical hats). I said the character has a large brim in the movie and it's a movie inaccuracy, not an inaccuracy from my side. She said she's not going with me to the picnic if I'm going to

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be an 'r' ward about this. I said I won't go with her if she's going to look like an idiot in her white gloves. She went to the picnic alone and now she's mad at me and saying I was an asshole about the situation. Should I have left it alone? Am I the asshole for criticizing her cosplay?' What is the Mandela effect?

Leila: Right, so it originated when, well when did Nelson Mandela die?

Robin: He died like 2012? 2014?

Priya: It was when he was freed wasn't it?

Leila: Yeah OK so that's right. But a lot of people remember him dying in prison even though that didn't happen.

Priya: Oh!

Robin: Right.

Leila: And so because it's like a thing that's been passed on sort of thing. But it applies to loads of things.

Robin: Like a false memory?

Priya: Yeah.

Leila: Yeah so for example spell Looney Tunes?

Robin: L-o-o-n-e-y T-o-o-n-s.

Leila: See this is what everyone thinks but it's actually spelt Looney tunes, T-u-n-e-s.

Robin: Mm. Because of the two o's in Looney people assume that it's it.

Leila: Yeah. And then Curious George's tail, he didn't have a tail, the monkey Curious George never had a tail.

Priya: Really?

Leila: Yeah. And then Sex in the City.

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Robin: Never existed famously.

Leila: Never existed because it was Sex and the City.

Robin: Boiling Cock in the City.

Leila: Boiling Cock.

Robin: [Laughs]

Leila: And then Febreze, how are you spelling Febreze?

Robin: F-e-b-r-e-e-z-e?

Leila: No it's actually spelt F-e-b-r-e-z-e. So those are all...

Priya: I used to know someone who used to call it FreeBreeze and we always used to get very, very angry at her [laughs].

Robin: Free breeze, you're freeing the breeze. Sure so this is kind of about like sort of false memories type thing.

Leila: Yeah.

Priya: Yeah but like group ones.

Robin: Sure, yeah, yeah exactly. OK cool

Leila: Yeah it's that group thing and it's the stuff that gets passed down basically. But I just find those really interesting.

Robin: That's interesting. So and the white glove of this character is one of those despite, I mean these people have bigger issues?

Leila: Why are we on dweeb Reddit now?

Robin: [Laughs]

Priya: Yeah I think if she's using an a-list slur in an argument, they've got bigger issues to worry about. He should be angry with her for wearing gloves.

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Robin: Yeah.

Leila: Yeah.

Priya: They should be having other conversations.

Leila: Surely look, I've never done cosplay, I'm not particularly interested in that world personally. However, surely the fun of cosplay is like just doing whatever you want to do. And like just dressing up and enjoying that sort of vibe.

Priya: The fact that she says that their friends are really, really specific about it makes me think there's probably like worlds within cosplay like you said where some people are really chill about it and other people are like 'No you have to do it exactly right'. And I think there is a point to be made that if you're going to criticise other people's costumes then yours should be exactly right as well.

Leila: Yeah.

Robin: Yeah.

Leila: Yeah I agree.

Robin: I think my issue with this story is that I don't care.

Priya: Yeah.

Leila: [Laughs]

Priya: I'm angry that they're dweebs, I'm really angry about it.

Robin: [Laughs] It is dweeb FM today isn't it?

Leila: I feel bad because I'm like aww like I do think look cosplay is like do whatever, look ultimately I feel like we all agree like do whatever you want to do. But why on Reddit talk about it? Just go do cosplay, like go and enjoy your sad...

Priya: Do what you want, just don't bring it in my door, like.

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- Robin: [Laughs] Don't bring it to the award winning Here to Judge, how dare you?
- Priya: My god.
- Leila: Do you not know who we are? I'm really scared that poet laureate is going to come after me, I'm really genuinely shitting myself now.
- Robin: Oh honestly she's going to write such a bad poem about you. It's going to be so bad [laughs].
- Leila: Leila, gay, laugh!
- Priya: I hope they cut that bit out of that section but they keep in the bit where you go 'I'm really worried that the poet laureate is going to come after me'.
- Leila: [Laughs]
- Priya: With no context or explanation.
- Leila: Well I think they're talking about Robin and his Cardiff LGBT tour.
- Robin: That's very true.
- Leila: Not LGBT tour...
- Robin: I am the Welsh LGBT poet laureate.
- Leila: No you have to fight me for it first, who can get the IP first.
- Priya: [Laughs]
- Robin: I'm already registering the domain name.
- Leila: Welsh Comedian of the Year. That's the sort of thing you could say in England that everyone would be like yeah.
- Robin: Yeah, yeah, yeah.
- Priya: Could be yeah.

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- Leila: We could all, listen let's make a pact and we'll go like Robin you're 2019...
- Priya: ...Leila strikes again.
- Leila: Priya 2020, I'll be 2021, Welsh Comedian of the Year.
- Robin: No when we next gig on the same bill we should all come on stage and say 'I am the Welsh Comedian of the Year'.
- Leila: I bet, yeah, yeah, yeah.
- Priya: And then we'd battle at the end.
- Robin: Yeah, yeah, yeah, great.
- Leila: That's so good. We should just make our own competition and then make us all win it and then we've won.
- Robin: It's a three-way tie.
- Leila: Yeah.
- Robin: And then we close the competition. When we do our lives shows 'And on my left we have Welsh Comedian of the Year Leila Navabi. And on my right we have Welsh Comedian of the Year Priya Hall. And I am Welsh Comedian of the Year, Robin Morgan.
- Priya: [Laughs]
- Leila: Actually I love that. We're going to start, no we're saying it.
- Robin: [Laughs hysterically] [Claps] More merch. Every t-shirt says Welsh Comedian of the Year on it.
- Leila: Welsh Comedian of the Year.
- Priya: And then how many units there are underneath...
- Leila: Can you please. I am genuinely, genuinely going to suggest we all put this in our bios on Twitter.

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Robin: [Laughs hysterically]

Leila: Right. Where were we with this?

Robin: Cosplay. Cosplay, cosplay, cosplay. I think this person is an asshole for shouting at her partner for having white gloves. But the partner seems to also dish out brim related insults.

Leila: Yeah.

Priya: Also uses slurs and loses all sympathy from me.

Leila: Oh you can't use that word.

Priya: I hate both of these people.

Robin: As soon as that came in...

Leila: No I missed that.

Priya: They both...

Robin: Yeah totally. But that's the thing, it became a very, very low stakes argument and then it turned into, oh you're just not nice people are you?

Leila: No that word's not allowed. It's banned. That word is banned from Here to Judge all right? As are any slurs. Apart from les which is what I what I said and I'm allowed to say it because I didn't mean it in a slurry way and I am a les.

Robin: [Laughs] I think...

Leila: I'm a bigger Les than Les Dennis, that's not a joke, shut up Leila!

Robin: [Laughs]

Leila: I'm getting really irritated with myself now, I can like feel myself trying to like be funny and it's annoying [laughs] Shut up.

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Robin: Save it [laughs].

Leila: Leila Navabi has a meltdown in a podcast, right.

Robin: Yeah. I think they're both assholes and I think they can really use the absolutely dynamite Leave Your Partner by Robin, song.

Priya: Agreed.

Robin: Which I love.

Leila: I loved it.

Priya: So good.

Robin: So fun.

[Leave Your Partner song]

[Here to Judge Theme Song]

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