

Brunch: Episode 5
Brunchdel Test

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INT. CAFÉ OLÉ

Devon, Maggie, Emma, and Lesley are seated at a booth.

SERVER

Can I get you ladies anything to start?

DEVON

I'll have a (hiccup) - do you guys do wine spritzers?

SERVER

We do.

DEVON

One please.

LESLEY

I think I'll get a caesar. Double, really spicy.

MAGGIE

Ah, okay, me too.

EMMA

Just a coffee for me, thanks.

SERVER

Okay, I'll grab those for you.

Server leaves.

MAGGIE

What is this sprintzer that I keep hearing about today that never seemed to exist before?

DEVON

Someone spelled it wrong on one of the threads, so we just made it a spritzer you drink fast. (hiccup) Dammit.

EMMA

Okay, this is what - you have to bend over. Wait seven seconds since your last hiccup, and then breathe out all your air.

DEVON

What?

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LESLEY

Sounds complicated. You're better off if you just --

Lesley interrupts herself by yelling loudly, trying to scare Devon.

DEVON

I've actually (hiccup) never seen that work.

LESLEY

Yeah, me neither. But maybe if --

Lesley yells louder, trying to scare Devon.

DEVON

Nothing.

EMMA

Do my thing. Seriously. Ah, It's so nice out.

DEVON

It'll be like this for the next like six months. You need to move here. (hiccup)

EMMA

I would actually love to. I'm getting so bored now when I'm off work. I have like fifty new hobbies.

DEVON

Yeah, I saw you were making cheese now. That's new.

LESLEY

You're a cheesemonger?

EMMA

I made it once. I had to carry it around in a fanny pack when I would go for a run, to soften it up. I felt like a crazy person.

Devon hiccups.

DEVON

Okay, what do I do again? Hold my breath?

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EMMA

Bend over and put your arms on your chest.

LESLEY

Yeah, just grab your boobs.

EMMA

Now as soon as you hiccup --

Devon hiccups.

EMMA

Okay, don't breathe. Don't do anything. Now exhale.

DEVON

I think it -- (hiccup) Ah!

LESLEY

Just try not to think about it.

DEVON

I wish I didn't have to work last night. How was supper? Did you guys all go?

LESLEY

Really good. Normally their wine is overpriced but their best sauv blanc was on special for seven bucks a glass and I was like -

(hands up)

"Yasss!"

DEVON

What were you like?

MAGGIE AND LESLEY

(hands up)

"Yasss!"

EMMA

I had the best time. We danced for a long time.

MAGGIE

I know. How we laughed and laughed. Except there was that mouse in my house when we went back late night. Definitely my onion, dealing with that.

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LESLEY

Yeah, that was gross. It did help us invent that new show, though - Planet Earth, but for your house.

MAGGIE

Right! Planet House. Which is mainly just a random British guy with a camera pointing out mice, and fruit flies, and your cat.

EMMA

But also food that used to be animals, like burgers in your freezer.

MAGGIE

They're still animals. Just dead ones.

DEVON

I can't see me watching that. (hiccup) You guys must've stayed up late, based on that story you posted.

EMMA

Yeah, we barely slept.

LESLEY

I'll sleep when I'm dead.

DEVON

I'll sleep when I'm dead and also every night for at least nine hours. (hiccup) All the same, Mom woke me up at like eight o'clock this morning. It's like she has no clue it's the weekend and I might want to sleep in.

LESLEY

Every time I talk to my parents, they are completely blown away by the time difference. Every time. "What time is it there?" "Four o'clock, Mom." "Really? It's almost seven here! AM or PM? Is it still Saturday?" And after she gets over - if she gets over that, it's straight to talking about the weather. "What's it like outside? We got rain today." "It doesn't

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LESLEY (cont'd)
matter, Mom. The weather here is
completely independent from yours."

MAGGIE
Are they still trying to get you to
move home?

LESLEY
Obviously. "Why wouldn't you want
to live in a town of 200 people
with one bar that everyone goes to
and we might be getting a Starbucks
soon and the only people you know
here married their high school
boyfriend and has fifty kids?"

DEVON
(hiccup) 'magine! Can't imagine.
Can't even begin to imagine.

EMMA
Unfortunately I kinda can.

Drinks arrive.

INT. CAFÉ OLÉ

Food on table. They're eating.

MAGGIE
Julia and her husband just sold
their house for like half a
million.

DEVON
(overlapping)
They're married?

LESLEY
I can't talk about real estate in
this city any more.

DEVON
Are you guys still thinking of
selling your condo?

MAGGIE
Yeah, we're laying the pipe for it
now. We had a meeting with Will
Corbett. Nick knows him and said
he'll give us a good rate.

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LESLEY
(overlapping; laughing)
Wait, laying the pipe?

MAGGIE
Like getting ready to sell. Laying
the groundwork for it.

LESLEY
That's not what that means.

EMMA
(overlapping)
It usually means something
different. It's what, like, bros
say for having sex. Laying the
pipe.

MAGGIE
What? My mom always said it for
laying the groundwork for
something.

LESLEY
That's amazing.

MAGGIE
I feel like I say it all the time.

SERVER
Can I get anyone another drink?

MAGGIE
I think I'll have a mimosa.

LESLEY
Yeah, mimzi for me too.

DEVON
I'll do another spritzer.

SERVER
For you?

EMMA
Ah, I shouldn't.

MAGGIE
Oh right. When does your conference
start?

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EMMA

Uh, now? The meet and greet is at twelve.

DEVON

We'll get you there by one. Nothing happens at the beginning of a conference anyway. It's all muffins and lanyards.

LESLEY

Lanyard! Ah, I just remembered - I had a dream the other day that I had a moth stuck in my ear, after reading that thing you posted. And I kept trying to get it out and the moth powder was getting everywhere.

MAGGIE

Moth powder?

LESLEY

Yes! That's a thing.

EMMA

(overlapping)

That's a real thing.

MAGGIE

You sure it's not dust? Moths hang out in dusty places.

LESLEY

No, it's true. Hold on.

(to server)

Do you know about moth powder?

SERVER

I think so. It's on their wings, right? And, if it falls off they can't fly anymore and they die or something.

MAGGIE

They nasty.

LESLEY

They nasty, for sure.

DEVON

You know there's some hip place around here that's probably adding moth powder to fancy cocktails now.

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LESLEY

It wouldn't surprise me.

DEVON

(hiccup)

Okay, this has gone on for way too long.

EMMA

There's this guy who had the hiccups for like seventy-five years.

DEVON

I think I'd - (hiccup) yeah, I'd definitely kill myself.

LESLEY

Here, think about the last time you were truly happy.

DEVON

Okay?

LESLEY

Did it work?

DEVON

(hiccup)

Obviously not.

MAGGIE

I don't know about this whole moth powder thing.

INT. CAFÉ OLÉ

EMMA

God, it's so hot. I'm shvitzing.

LESLEY

Sh-wa... What is that?

EMMA

Shvitzing, like sweating.

MAGGIE

Oh, I thought it was getting a Turkish bath.

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DEVON

Yeah, I'm picturing old naked men
in a steam room, probably making
deals.

EMMA

It's both - they're connected.

LESLEY

Ooh! Wine shvitzer!

DEVON

Nice. But like h-whine? 'Cause
she's complaining about the heat?

EMMA

I wasn't complaining! It's just
hot.

MAGGIE

I'm with her.

LESLEY

Dev, do you remember - last year me
and Devon were out to dinner, ended
up splitting like four bottles of
wine, so we were pretty on the go.
But after it was late and we
couldn't get a cab anywhere, so her
boyfriend at the time comes and
picks us up in his truck, with his
friend Brett.

MAGGIE

Wait, Brett Unger?

LESLEY

No, thank god. Anyway, We all go
back to Devon's and her and her
boyfriend go to bed, which leaves
me and this guy Brett on the couch.
I'm passing out, he tries to put
his arm around me, I don't let him,
then he goes in and tries to kiss
me.

DEVON

I wish I knew this was going on.

LESLEY

It's obvious he doesn't pick up on
vibes easily so I outright tell him
to fuck off - he doesn't really,

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LESLEY (cont'd)
and then I turn and puke all over
him. Like he's covered in vomit. So
finally he leaves.

DEVON
Trav had some of the worst friends.

LESLEY
Flash forward to the other day,
Brett shows up to the house I'm at,
and he acts like he wasn't a total
piece of garbage before. He's like
"Hey! How are you?!" I go, "I
wasn't expecting to see you here,"
and just walk into the other room.
Later on he comes up to me, "Just
so you know, I never told anyone
about that time you got sick. It's
probably embarrassing." I'm like,
"Actually, I tell everyone that
story, I think it's hilarious, and
you're a piece of shit." It was
great.

MAGGIE
I can't believe he did that. Well I
can, but --

LESLEY
I know!

DEVON
I still can't believe Snoop Dogg
needs an umbrella just for a bit of
drizzle.

SERVER
Can I get any dessert for anyone?

EMMA
No thanks. Not me, anyway.

DEVON
Just the bill is fine. Hey, do
either of you want to go to that
art opening thing next Friday I
think? It's free drinks, and it's
supposed to be really weird.
There's apparently an entire
exhibit dedicated to, like, tiny
kids who are bodybuilders.

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MAGGIE

Bodybuilding is outrageous.

EMMA

I know. One of my cousins does it. He spends so much time trying to look like a freak of nature.

LESLEY

Does he think it looks hot?

EMMA

Apparently he only eats Cap'n Crunch before his "shows" or whatever. It brings out the shine or the muscles or something.

DEVON

If that's all it takes I could probably be a bodybuilder.

EMMA

What are you guys doing later? I should be able to meet up at like eight.

LESLEY

I'm meeting this guy Conor for a drink around then, at the new brew-ry that just opened. Brerery. God, I can't say that word.

DEVON

Brew-a-ry. Brewery. Got it. (hiccup)

LESLEY

Anyway, you should definitely join us.

EMMA

Is it like a date?

LESLEY

Not really. We hung out the other day and --

MAGGIE

Did he lay your pipe?

LESLEY

Lay the pipe. Like his pipe. I don't have a pipe.

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DEVON

The pipe is his penis.

LESLEY

And no. Not yet, anyway.

Devon hiccups.

MAGGIE

Wait! There's this thing my weird uncle does - it's like hypnosis.

(begins speaking very quickly)

Look at me. Just keep staring into my eyes. Forget about everything around you. Except the food. You can think about the food. Did you like what you had? Don't answer that. What colour was the bar last night? How much did you drink?

LESLEY

That was a bit ridiculous.

DEVON

Nice try. I think - oh my god. It worked! Thank you!

MAGGIE

Right?!

SERVER

Here are the bills, whenever you're ready.

MAGGIE

Oh shit, I think I left my credit card at the bar last night.

LESLEY

Here, I'll pay for you and then hold it over your head for awhile.

MAGGIE

(digging around in purse)

I have two dollars.

LESLEY

(joking)

I don't want your filthy change.

SERVER

Thanks so much guys!

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EMMA

Thanks so much. It was so good.

DEVON

Yeah, I'm with her! (hiccup)

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