

Sage G.C.:

Hello, everyone! Yes, the CATACOMBS have returned! And for this episode, super cool, we got video in addition to audio.

Joined by some of the cast of *Pirates of the Public Domain*, I shared my screen and did a lot of Google and YouTube searching to accompany the various media that we talked about. Certainly fine to listen to as audio-only per usual, but Adventure Pass holders, you can sail on over to patreon.com/20SidedStories if you wanna get the full visual experience. All right! Let's do this!

[CATACOMBS intro music plays.]

[eerie, deep] Welcome to the CATACOMBS.

Pirates of the Public Domain

Sage:

Hello and welcome to 20 Sided Stories, the Adventure Pass! (more than likely). My name is Sage. I'm your director, and I'm joined by most of the cast of *Pirates of the Public Domain*, but we're not gonna talk about that yet. We're just here to talk about good old-fashioned pirates.

But first let me introduce everybody! Greg! Greg is back!

Greg Reasoner:

Yes. I'm back!

[David claps.]

Jessica Dahlgren:

Whoo! Whoo, whoo, whoo!

Sage:

we also have Jess, the-

Jessica:

Hi!

Sage:

[laughs] Okay, you're clipping.

[Chuckling.]

And David, of course!

David Michmerhuizen: Hi, I'm David.

Sage:

Emily.

Emily Ervolina:

I remembered how to unmute my microphone.

[Greg laughs.]

Hello.

Sage:

That's one way to introduce yourself. [chuckles]

David:

We're all very proud.

Sage:

Very confident entrance.

Emily: I'm humble.
[Laughter.]
What can I say?

Sage: And Christian, finally coming onto the audio waves.

Christian Baltazar: Hi, I'm Christian. Wow, hi, hello! Nice to meet you all.

Sage: And a 20 Sided debut! Hendo Bendo. Or, uh- [chuckles]
[**Jessica** chuckles.]
Your actual name.
[Laughter.]

Henry Benny: Hello! Yes, Hendo Bendo or Henry or the Hendolorian.

Sage: Yeah.

Henry: Or Hendo Nintendo.

Jessica: Hendocron.

Henry: Or Hendocron variant. Yeah.

David: Hendia.

Henry: Hendai- [laughs] Oh. Yes.
[Laughter.]
Hendai.

Jessica: Classic.

Sage: So tonight- tonight we're going to talk about pirates, the genre, the history. I have asked everybody to bring something to talk about some piece of media. Kinda like show-and-tell style. I would like to hear what anybody has seen or what your favorite is.

I myself have been consuming a lot of things to stay inspired, and studied up as I- as I work and write on this series. And yeah, otherwise, there's not a whole lot of structure, 'cause structure is for bureaucratic *losers*! Am I right?

Henry: For wienies!

Sage: But I'll just start and Jess can chime in here. The other night- we'll get the easy one out of the way. And then we'll get to the interesting stuff. We watched the-

Greg: You guys watched a Burt Lancaster movie?
[Chuckling.]

Jessica: Who?

Greg: No? Okay, nevermind.

Emily: What d'you mean "who"?

Sage: How'd you know, Greg?

[Henry laughs.]

No, we watched *Pirates of the Caribbean: Curse the Black Pearl*, which I had not seen...

David: What?!

Sage: ...like, since it came out.

[Greg laughs.]

David: Oh.

Emily: Oh.

[Laughter. **Emily** sighs in relief.]

Jessica: That pause.

[Sage chuckles.]

Emily: Whew!

Jessica: We're just shocking everybody left and right.

Henry: Yeah.

Greg: Yeah.

Sage: That was a good "what", David. That's a sound bite there.

Greg: Girl, dat pause.

Sage: You got- oh-

David: I was- I was taken aback, man.

[Sage chuckles.]

A dope film. It was the first Blu-ray I ever owned.

Sage: Nice.

Jessica: Oh, wow.

David: I've watched it, like, six-

Sage: It's a good one.

David: I've watched it, like, 60 times.

Sage: The VFX does hold up. Like, I, uh, some of the animation wasn't, like, perfect. You could kinda see it in the skeletons. But like, that was something- that's something when you go and watch old movies, like, pretty much anything prior to 2010.

[chuckles]

Now you're just like, oh god, how is the, uh, how is the VFX gonna be? And it was- it was-

Greg: *Jurassic Park* still great.

Sage: Still great! Well, that's- they're kind of the exception to the rule, honestly. Um, but they have some black magic in- in that movie that a lot of other people are just now catching up to.

David: They didn't- they- they- uh, they weren't using those cameras back then, sage. You don't know what you're talking about.

Emily: Ha! Got 'im.
[Chuckling.]

Henry: Oh-ho.

Sage: Wow.

Greg: [laughs] I just got that.
[Laughter.]

Sage: Took me even a second. Yeah. Uh, for anybody confused, I'm using a Blackmagic right now. This one looks nice.
Okay. Jess, what'd you think? Rewatching that.

Jessica: Uh, the- oh, yeah. It's amazing. I was like- I don't- I honestly don't remember the last time I watched that movie. I always- I've seen I think every one except for the last, like, the latest sequel.

Emily: The fifth one?

Greg: *Stranger Tides?*

Emily: The fifth one?

David: No, *Dead Men Tell No Tales*.

Emily: The fifth one is better-

Sage: There is a fifth one.

Emily: The fifth one is better than the fourth one.

Jessica: The fourth one, okay.

Henry: Mm.

David: Yeah.

Emily: Fourth one is the worst. Fifth one...is probably like that- Sorry. I'll get into my right- my tier list later.
[Chuckling.]

Jessica: Yeah, yeah, yeah.

Sage: You could- you could do it now. I- we only-

Emily: Okay. Well...
[Chuckling.]

Sage: I only wa- we only watched the first one. I wanted to watch the first three. That's kinda like a trilogy-ish. Um...

Greg: Mm-hmm. You're right.

Sage: But yeah, I only- we only had time to watch the first one. And it was great!

Jessica: Yeah.

Sage: It was fun.

Emily: It's the best one.

Sage: Yeah.

Emily: On my tier list. Which I won't tell you right now.

[Henry chuckles.]

Jessica: But it-

Sage: Is your tier list, like, S, A, B? Or do you have a custom grading-

Emily: Yeah, I guess it's not really a tier. It's more like just a list. [chuckles]

[Chuckling.]

[amused] I may have oversold this.

David: Made the record.

Jessica: Top- top five. Top five *Pirates of the Caribbean* movies.

Emily: Right.

Sage: Yeah, name the order. Name the order.

Emily: *Black Pearl*.

Sage: Okay.

Emily: *Dead Man's Chest*. Now, this is- this is gonna be a crazy one, right? I actually like the fifth one better than the third one. I think the third one is, uh, it's not my favorite.

Which is surprising 'cause they put Keira Knightley in pants, which, you know...

Jessica: Yeah.

Emily: Whoo!

Jessica: That'll do it.

Emily: Um, and Keith Richards is in it, which is great, but it's still not my favorite. I- I liked five better than I liked three. Which maybe I'll get hate for this, but whatever. I don't care.

Sage: I remember just being, like, bloated. Like, it was just like there's so much going on here.

Jessica: Yeah.

Emily: There was too much. And then they were- it's like they waited till the third movie to remember that piracy was not only in the Caribbean.

[Chuckling.]

Greg: [amused] Yeah.

Emily: And it's like, no, but this is- this is the *Pirates of the Caribbean*. It's okay. Like, we didn't need everybody from everywhere. Like, it's cool. But if you were gonna do that, you had, like, two movies before this.

Sage: Mm-hmm.

Emily: Two!

Henry: Where do- where do you rank three and four?

Emily: Four is the worst.

Henry: Okay.

Emily: By far. That's the Penelope Cruz Blackbeard one.

Jessica: Mm.

Henry: Okay. Yeah.

Emily: I don't even... Yeah.

Jessica: It feels like a fever dream.

Emily: Yeah.

Greg: I was more- I was more interested in the priest and the mermaid who only had, like, two scenes.

Emily: Yes! Yes.

Greg: And I didn't care about the other characters.

Henry: Mm.

Emily: Absolutely.

Sage: This is-

Christian: When does Orlando Bloom dip out of the series?

David: After the third one.

Emily: After the third.

Christian: After the third one? Oh, okay.

Emily: But! Spoiler alert for the fifth one, he- he and Keira Knightley are both back in the fifth one.

Jessica: Oh.

Henry: Oh.

Christian: Oh, they come back. Where did they go during the fourth one?

Sage: See, I just found that out through the Wikipedia.

Henry: Oh, wow.

Sage: And I was like, oh!

Emily: Yeah, it's a beautiful moment. Um, that will probably make you cry if you have a heart, uh, and a deep love for these- [amused] this film franchise.

Sage: Oh.

Emily: Uh, so watch it.

Henry: Okay, okay.

Greg: Has anybody seen the new *Jungle Cruise* movie?

Emily: Mm!

Henry: No.

Emily: I watched it on the plane. It was bad.

Henry: Mm.

Greg: I watched the first half and it was bloated. It was way too much.

[Christian laughs.]

Um, but-

Emily: But also somehow no plot.

Greg: Yeah!

Emily: Like, there's a plot. But, like, we all knew what was gonna happen. [amused scoff]

Greg: Yeah. Okay, so I bring it up because since I didn't finish it, I was wondering if it had any sort of tie in with the pirate movies because it felt like it was. Like...

Emily: I wouldn't be surprised if they, like, retroactively or like, yes, conquistador Dwayne Johnson-

[Sage chuckles.]

-is for simply- for some reason, he's like a-

Greg: He was in the fourth one.

Emily: He's a Spanish conquistador in that movie.

Greg: Yeah.

Emily: There's like a flashback to the 15- it's very strange.

Sage: If they try to make a cinematic universe out of all their rides, I mean-

Christian: [laughs] Wait, wait.

[Henry laughs.]

Jessica: They already are- they have it. They have it planned already. There's- there's-

Sage: But then they- they're gonna have to-

Emily: Why can't we have good Tarzan?

Christian: Yo!

Sage: They're gonna have to reunite Tomorrowland. Nobody liked that.

Greg: I liked that movie!

Christian: Are you telling me-

Jessica: What-

Henry: Oh. I forgot about that.

David: Oh, I was a huge fan of Eddie Murphy's *Haunted Mansion*.

Christian: Eddie Murphy and *The Haunted Mansion* is-

Sage: I didn't-

Emily: Yes.

Sage: Oh, well, ev-

Jessica: Yes.

Emily: A masterpiece.

Christian: [amused] Will someone show up in the Pirates movies? [laughs]

Greg: Aw, man, the Eddie Murphy one doesn't count anymore. Now it's the Muppet one. That's the one that counts.

Christian: [amused] Oh shit!

Emily: Oh! You're right. Yeah.

Sage: I didn't catch that one.

Greg: All right. Good podcast.

[Laughter.]

Emily: I feel like it's important to note, with my strong opinions about the *Pirates of the Caribbean* franchise, that I think it was my... Well, no, I'm actually not going to dox myself for how old I was.

It was one of my birthdays was pirates themed when I was a very young child. And it was the year that the first *Pirates of the Caribbean* movie came out. And as an LA child, I think my mom knew the set design or something. But my birthday party, we got all of the napkins and doubloons from the premiere.

Jessica: Ah!

Emily: So.. [chuckles]

Henry: Woah.

Greg: [impressed] What?

Emily: Yeah! So my, whatever year that was, we had a man, a pirate impersonator with a parrot, I'm pretty sure. And it was just pirate themed. But all of the, like, the plates and the napkins and, like, all- all of that party stuff was from the Pirates premiere. Stuff they just didn't use.

Christian: That's so cool.

Jessica: [gasps] I could've so close been at a *Pirates of the Caribbean* premiere because they used to do it at Disneyland.

Sage: Mm.

Emily: Oh, right!

Jessica: And I went to Disneyland with my family. We went for, like, a week. It was like- that was the longest we'd ever been. It was, like, I think, like, six days we were there. And then the day we left, the next day they had the premiere in the park, and I was really mad. But that's... That's that.

Greg: [sympathetic] You wanna talk about it?

Jessica: No, I really don't.

[Chuckling.]

Henry: Aw.

Jessica: It's a s- I brought it up, then I'm like, oh shit. I'm sad now.

Henry: Aw.

[Greg chuckles.]

David: I want them to make a movie about the train that goes around Disneyland that you get on when you're just fucking exhausted.

[Chuckling.]

And you're like just...

Christian: Oh, yeah.

David: [irritated] Put me on the fucking train.

Jessica: Yeah, they have the whole prehistoric section. That probably-

Greg: So cool.

David: Oh, yeah, the train randomly goes back in time. It's completely normal. You're driving through Disneyland, here and there it stops. Now the trains going to the Grand Canyon!

[Chuckling.]

It's just like, this is unhinged!

Greg: Walt's ghost is like look, it made sense back in the '60s, but...

[Chuckling.]

David: Yeah. Walt's Ghost would be a great movie. I would love a good Walt's Ghost movie.

[Chuckling.]

And they have to, like-

Emily: He technically died on my high school campus.

[**Jessica** gasps.]

So we-

Henry:

Whoa!

Sage:

Cool!

Emily:

We did used to joke that it was haunted by him.

Jessica:

He died on your campus?

Christian:

What's the technicality that- [chuckles]

Emily:

Okay, so my high school-

Greg:

Half on, half off.

[Laughter.]

Emily:

-was attached to a hospital. But then back in the '60...whatever year, there was like hospice-

Sage:

[amused] The '60s?

David:

The Paleolithic Era.

Emily:

The sidlis-sidis-biddies. There was like hospice care in between the two. And he was in the hospice care that, like, technically now would be considered the high school campus, but at the time was a part of the hospital.

Jessica:

Oh!

Christian:

Ah!

Emily:

But there's tunnels running under the whole thing. So the joke was always that Walt's frozen head was in the tunnels leading to the morgue underneath our school.

David:

Now you have a movie. This is-

Henry:

Hey.

[**Sage** chuckles.]

David:

This is what the podcast is gonna be about.

[Laughter.]

Greg:

This is gonna be like *Tusk*, where we create the movie in the podcast.

David:

Oh, yeah. This is gonna be dope.

Henry:

I love *Tusk*. *Tusk* is underrated.

Jessica:

I never saw it.

Sage:

Me neither.

David:

We're gonna be in the tunnels.

Christian:

It's long.

Emily:

Don't Google it, Jessica.

[Chuckling.]

Jessica: I-

Emily: Save yourself!

Greg: Never saw it. Too scared.

Jessica: I remember you talking about at one time, being like, uh-uh. Uh-uh.

Emily: [amused, scared] Justin Long. Oh, no. Mm.

[Chuckling.]

Greg: I'm waiting for a moose jaw to come out.

Sage: The last thing I'll say, that I thought was kind of interesting, is I definitely had this DVD.

[Picture of the *Pirates of the Caribbean: The Curse of the Black Pearl* DVD art.]

And there was a specific part in the movie, I got to that I was like, hmm. This must've been where I kept falling asleep. [chuckles]

[Chuckling.]

'Cause I remembered, like, every- not that it was, like, boring this time around. But it was just like, all of a sudden...

Greg: It all felt new?

Sage: Ah. I don't know what it was. But like, everything was like, I don't remember this. [chuckles] Don't remember that. But that- the whole like, first couple of scenes where they're raiding the town and, like, dude, like, every shot was like...

[**Sage** waves towards his face, memories flooding in.]

You know, it was all, like, coming back to me. I guess-

Christian: Were you the type of kid that would, like, go to Scene Selection on DVDs and just go straight to your favorite scenes and, like, you know, screw the rest?

Sage: [amused] No.

Christian: Oh.

Sage: But I would-

Greg: When you told me about that, about Star Wars, that blew my mind.

[**Christian** and **Henry** chuckle.]

Christian: It's a thing, man. I did it with *Lord of the Rings* too.

Emily: No offense to you as a child, but if you'd done that in front of me, I- I probably would've slapped the remote outta your hand.

[Laughter.]

Christian: I had so much to do! I can't waste time with the *entire* movie.

[**Jessica** snorts. **Emily** chuckles.]

Just get to the good stuff. [chuckles]

Emily: I'm sure the filmmakers would be thrilled to hear that.

[Chuckling.]

Sage: Um-

Greg: I'm a VHS kid, so that wasn't even an option.

[**Jessica** chuckles.]

Sage: Any- any final *Pirates of the Caribbean*, any thoughts on the- on the fran- the most famous franchise?

Christian: They're just- I- I just started, uh, I rewatched it for the first time ever since I saw it in theaters as a kid. I remember going to Lake Tahoe and, like, I don't know why anyone would go to Tahoe just go watch a movie in the theaters. [chuckles]

[**Jessica** laughs.]

But my dad was like, let's go watch *Pirates of the Caribbean*.

Greg: [amused] Best sound is there.

Jessica: [amused] Lake Tahoe.

Christian: Um, and that's how I remember it. And, like, going back and watching it last week, um, Orlando Bloom and Keira Knightley are babies. They're so *young*!

Jessica: She was 17!

Emily: She was 17! Yes. Here we go.

Christian: Right?! She was a wee little babe!

Jessica: It's so wrong of them to do that!

Christian: It's horrible! Yeah!

Sage: Yeah, horrible.

Jessica: The amount of people in the world who probably had no idea she was 17 in that movie makes me so uncomfortable.

Christian: Yeah. Yes.

Greg: No, no, no, it was about being historically accurate.

[Laughter.]

Jessica: [amused] Oh, get the fuck outta here.

Emily: [unamused] Rrrright...

[Laughter.]

Uh... Right.

Christian: Ah, man.

Emily: I know it's a plot device, but speaking of historical accuracy, the scene where they tight lace her in that corset, not strictly accurate.

Christian: Yeah. Wha- how so?

Emily: Tight lacing was considered vulgar, um, and was not something that was done by upper-class ladies.

Sage: Oh.

Christian: Oh, so corsets were for, like, the middle to lower class?

Emily: Well, no, everybody wore corsets, but tight lacing them specifically.

Christian: Oh.

Emily: 'Cause the whole plot device is like, I can't breathe.

Henry: Right.

Greg: Yeah, yeah, yeah.

Emily: And she falls and then Captain Jack has to save her.

Christian: I remember that.

Emily: Um, yeah, the tight lacing is not historically accurate.

Christian: Mm.

Sage: Mm.

Emily: Yeah. So yes.

Greg: Other than that, though, the rest of the movie-

Emily: Other than that, spot on!

[Laughter.]

No other detail out of place! [chuckles]

Sage: I am excited-

Greg: It's a documentary.

Sage: -to watch the second one. I remember the second one's pretty funny.

David: There are a lot- there's lots of historical evidence to support the existence of Skellington pirates.

Jessica: Yeah, yeah.

Emily: That is true.

Sage: Yeah?

Emily: That is true. Yeah.

Greg: Jack Skellington.

Emily: Read a book, Sage.

Sage: It's only fuckin' enemy is *Sea of Thieves*, which is the other thing I might talk about.

Christian: Mm.

Jessica: Oh, yeah.

Sage: But I'll save that.

Christian: Had a feeling.

Sage: Um, I don't wanna hog. I'm sure you guys have some stuff. I'm just gonna toss it to you, Jess, since I already mentioned you. I saw you were watching *Treasure Planet* right before this.

[Chuckling.]

Jessica: I did! Yes.

David: Dope movie!

Henry: Ooo. What a good pick.

David: Dope fuckin' movie!

Greg: So underrated, that movie.

David: Fuckin' golden age movie. Fuckin' tight.

Jessica: Yeah! You know, it- I really think it's not- like, it kinda- yeah, it's underrated. It went, like, went under the radar I think also because *Atlantis* came out around the same time. And the main- the protagonists both sorta look alike. Got like-

Greg: Titan AE.

David: You want the-

Jessica: -floppy, really good hair.

David: You want the third point in that triangle, s- Jessica, you're gonna have to trust me, okay? Are you ready?

Jessica: Okay. Yeah. Yeah.

David: *Prince of Egypt*.

Emily: Yes.

Jessica: Oh! Yeah.

Greg: Oh! Wow!

David: Watch that fuckin' movie. That movie is so good! And it's like...

Emily: [whispers] Oh, I love that movie.

David: It's- what- it- I think it's got, like, kind of like, I don't wanna watch a religious thing going on with it. But, like, it's so fuckin' good.

Sage: But I remember it being pretty good.

David: Exactly!

Emily: No, no, no. It's all- it's about the Jews too.

David: Yeah.

Emily: Let's be honest.

Sage: Like- yeah.

David: Yeah.

Sage: I- I remember that one kinda being surprisingly, like... Like it was- it was- it wasn't talked about that much 'cause it's DreamWorks. Right?

Christian: Yeah.

Emily: Mm-hmm.

Sage: So like Disney kind of had, like, the monopoly on the word of mouth. But like, that's a good- pretty fuckin' good movie.

Emily: They also kill, like, a lot of children.

Christian: It's so scary!

David: Yeah.

Sage: It gets- it gets...

Christian: It is so scary.

Emily: They kill so many children.

Sage: I mean, it's- [chuckles] it's pretty accurate to the story. So like, it gets kinda dark.

Christian: I was like, I'm so glad I'm not the firstborn child. Because isn't that, like, who goes, like, in the movie or something like that?

Greg: Yeah.

Emily: Yeah. Anecdotally, that movie made me afraid that God was going to come and steal me because I was my parents' only child.

Greg: Oh, so you were putting blood all over?

Emily: So after watching that movie, I was like, we *please* put lamb's blood on the door?

[Laughter.]

And my mom's like, no.

Greg: Yup.

Emily: No one's gonna take you. [chuckles]

David: Your mom is not- not metal.

Jessica: I'm low-key surprised she didn't play along with it.

Emily: Um...

[Christian laughs.]

Jessica: I feel like...

Emily: Yeah, that-

David: Your mom is not metal. Your mom needs to be more metal.

[Chuckling.]

Jessica: I feel like she would put blood on the door. I don't know. Just... [chuckles] for fun.

Sage: Any, uh, any impressions, Jess, from *Treasure Planet*?

Jessica: Oh.

Sage: Other than what we already said?

Jessica: Well, I'm- really, it's unfortunate, because I didn't get to finish it.

Sage: [amused] 'Cause I don't remember this movie very much at all.

Jessica: Well, the thing was is that I wa- I was watching a little bit of it before we started recording. And then I was like, Sage, we should probably just watch this together.

Sage: Sure.

Jessica: Um, I'd be down. Um, but it looks so fantastical. And like, I-

Sage: [laughs] How 'bout this half-hour-long YouTube video called *Treasure Planet: Disney's Biggest Mistake*?

Greg: No. Don't.

Christian: [laughs] Ah, that's messed up!

Jessica: No, no, no.

Greg: Don't give them the views.

Jessica: What we gotta do is have David do, like, a commentary of *this* video being the biggest mistake video on YouTube.

Emily: Yes.

[Laughter.]

Sage: That's good. That's good.

Emily: Uno Reverse.

[**Jessica** chuckles.]

David: First of all, I think we can all think of at least three really, really bad Disney mistakes off the top of our heads that are *way* worse than *Treasure Planet*.

Sage: [chuckles] Yeah.

Jessica: Yeah.

Sage: That's fair.

Emily: Yeah.

David: Especially older folks. [chuckles]

Jessica: Yeah.

Sage: Well, what about you, David? Got any, uh, got any pirate med- we talked a lot on our one-on-one episode.

David: If I send you a- If I send you a link- If I send you a link in the messaging, will you pull it up on the chat?

Sage: Are you able to share it? Do you want me to just hand it to you?

David: No, no. I- I don't think I can.

Sage: Okay. No, no, no. Se-send me a link. I'll grab it.

David: Okay, so it's gonna go on the chat. And you can feel free to like start it and then, like, kinda skip around. 'Cause it's a 50-minute video just, like, a couple of seconds of- of whatever.

[Sage chuckles.]

I'll let you D- I'll let you VJ. All right?

[Chuckling.]

Sage: [amused] Okay.

Jessica: [sings] Hey, Mr. VJ. [chuckles]

Sage: Where's- where's the, uh- oh. Did you even- that's not a link.

Greg: I just wanna say really quick thing about *Treasure Planet*.

Sage: Hey- hey Dad. Dad, that's not a link. That's the name of the video. [chuckles]

David: It- it's a link.

Jessica: What, Greg?

David: It's a link.

Greg: I just- I just wanna say a quick thing about *Treasure Planet*. The, uh, the captain is both 2D and 3D animated.

David: Yeah.

Sage: Yeah.

Jessica: Yes! That have a-

Greg: Seamlessly. It's amazing.

Jessica: They have a really good combo of 2D, 3D.

David: That gets-

Sage: And that's sort of-

Greg: Yeah.

Jessica: And I'm really excited to see all the different species that are in this movie 'cause the one thing that, you know, looking forward to recording for the podcast is just the- oh, what the heck?

Sage: Can you guys hear this?

David: I can't hear it.

Jessica: I can't hear it.

David: I can't hear it.

Emily: No.

Sage: Okay. I don't know, David, if it transmits sound.

Greg: Turn it up.

David: That's okay. Just fullscreen it and- and lets see the visuals.

Sage: I can hear it. I'm turning it down. [chuckles]

David: All right.

[Chuckling.]

So the- what you're seeing here is my childhood.

Jessica: Fisher...

Sage: Okay.

David: Yeah.

Jessica: This is- this is your show and tell of pirates?

David: This is my childhood. Yeah, I had- I had the-

Sage: You want me to go to, like, 40 minutes, you said? Pirate's theme song.

Greg: Is this an old computer game?

David: Yeah, I- I had the Fisher-Price toy of this ship. And I had this guy who's talking. That's Captain Stubbs, I had his action figure.

[Chuckling.]

And, uh...

Christian: Dude, they made a toy of that guy?

David: They made the toy and they made a point-and-click adventure game, and it's dope! And you-

Christian: Man...

David: I don't even know. And this is all on Windows like, 95.

Greg: Mm-hmm.

Sage: Nice.

David: Um, doxing myself.

[Chuckling.]

And uh, and you can see all this-

Christian: Whoa!

Greg: Is doxing getting canceled?

Jessica: [chuckles] No.

Emily: Not quite.

David: Yeah, so what- it's kinda like a che- it's kinda like a baby version of *Myst* where you just click around the ship. You can put all that stuff in that cannon and then, uh, the gunner-

Jessica: [shocked] You put animals in the cannon?

David: Yeah. Yeah, look. You put the guy who is supposed to run the cannon in the cannon.

[In the video, the pirate gunner is dragged over to the cannon and stuffed inside. The cannon blasts and the gunner goes flying into the distance. The gunner swims back to the ship and drags himself back onto the deck to stand near the cannon again.]

Christian: [laughing] That's crazy!

[Chuckling.]

David: And then you can shoot the cannon.

Christian: Whoa, man!

David: Ah, did he just fly? I feel-

Christian: This is a first-person shooter!

Greg: You never, never get to shoot it again.

[Chuckling.]

David: You know, you're- you're a f- you know, you're a fuckin' four or five-year-old little kid, that's the funniest shit. Put the chicken in the cannon.

[In the video, the chicken is picked up and stuffed into the cannon. The cannon blasts and the chicken flaps into the distance. A purple whale breaches in the distance and shoots a blast of water into the air, saving the chicken. The chicken swims back to the boat and flaps back onto the barrel it was sitting on.]

Christian: The chicken, how'd the-

David: Put the chicken in the cannon!

Christian: The chicken can't swim!

Sage: It's still funny.

Christian: That's a whale over there gonna eat that chicken!

Sage: It's still funny. In, um, in Sea-

David: Yeah, this is dope.

Jessica: No, the whale saved him.

David: Yeah, the whale saved him.

[**Christian** chuckles.]

Sage: In *Sea of Thieves* you can do this.

Jessica: Yeah.

David: Oh, yeah, they stole it.

Sage: And I have a mo- I have a monkey-

David: They completely ripped it off. The completely ripped it off.

[**Jessica** chuckles.]

Sage: I have a monkey in *Sea of Thieves*. He's a purple monkey.

Jessica: [laughs] They ripped it off.

Sage: His name is Captain Acab.

Jessica: Yes.

Sage: And every time I play this game, uh, with my friend, Duncan, he grabs my monkey and he says, "Fuck you, monkey." And he shoots him out of the cannon.

[Laughter.]

Emily: Oh no!

Christian: Poor monkey, man!

Jessica: Yeah.

Henry: Every time. [CROSSTALK]

Sage: And it's still funny every time. [chuckles]

[Chuckling.]

David: I have to say, Sage, that sounds like a blast.

[Chuckling.]

And keep going.

[**Sage** fast-forwards the video.]

Greg: Christian when you say this is a first-person shooter, did you mean it's the first *person*-shooter?

[Chuckling.]

Christian: It's the first person-shooter.

David: So then there's a karaoke-

Christian: [chuckles] Dude, that's where Activision got their idea for *Call of Duty*, man.

Sage: [chuckles] Is *Great Adventures*?

Christian: Was this Fisher-Price game.

David: Yeah, that's the parrot.

Christian: Yeah, man.

Sage: [amused] By Fisher-Price.

Christian: No, this comedy is, like, real smart.

Greg: I like the concept of a baby version of *Myst*.

Sage: What did you- David, what did you do in this game other than shoot animals out of cannons? Was there anything else to do?

[Henry chuckles.]

David: Oh, there's so much to do! There's so much to do. Every time you click on something, something happens.

[Sage chuckles.]

You ever play- you ever play- you played the Humongous games.

Jessica: Yes.

Sage: Yeah.

David: This is something that they published alongside by Fisher-Price of, like, oh yeah, kids love it when you just have this, like, weird diorama you just click shit on.

Jessica: Yeah.

Emily: Jessica, sounds like you need to play this.

David: You win the-

Jessica: It does sound like I need to play this.

Sage: Yeah. Attic city-

David: Yeah, you win the game- you win the game when you find some buried treasure. But, like, you can- it's kinda like *Skyrim*, you can kinda spend as much time doing the side shit as possible without having to worry about- [laughs]

[Laughter.]

Henry: [amused] Yeah, looks like *Skyrim*.

Sage: [amused] Looks *just* like it!

Christian: [amused] I can't tell the difference!

[Laughter.]

David: Look there's penguins. Like, you can't even make this shit up!

Sage: Yeah! Just like in Sky- [chuckles]

Henry: Oh, no.

Christian: Oh my gosh.

David: And then there's-

Sage: Mister Pym!

[In the video, a black and white poster of a man holding a blunderbuss reads: "Mister Pym" in large, bold letter at the top. The bottom is captioned "Cap'n Stubbs' first mate is brave Mister Pym. He's a trusty helper and a bold adventurer."]

David: Yeah. And then you can print that out. I had a- I printed out the Mister Pym-

Sage: Oh! One of those!

David: Yeah, I printed out the Mister Pym trading card on a dot matrix printer.

Greg: Hell yeah.

[Chuckling.]

Sage: Old school.

Henry: I don't really know what that is.

David: [amused] Yeah, I know. It's great.

[Henry laughs.]

Greg: Then you get to take the little parts off and fold 'em. Yeah.

David: More chickens. And there's the raft. It's like- I had the raft too. The- 'cause I had the Fisher-Price set that this is modeled after.

[Laughter.]

So I had- I could play the computer game-

Greg: Is that a shark face on the front?

David: Yeah! I don't know why! I don't know why. I know you could put-

Christian: Yo, that's dope!

Henry: Yeah, [CROSSTALK] That's cool.

Sage: It's not even like a- like- like- [chuckles] Like, it- [chuckles] that's not right. Like, this-playthrough. [chuckles] This is just-

David: Bro, I played this game for *hours*!

Greg: But it's not wrong.

Sage: It's true. It's true. [chuckles]

Christian: Man.

David: Hours and hours and hours.

Sage: I believe it.

Greg: When?

David: I played this game longer than I played *Grand Theft Auto: San Andreas*.

[Laughter.]

I played this game so much! Fucking... Yeah.

Sage: Man. I wish I had it. I'm- I-

Henry: It's just like *Grand Theft Auto: San Andreas*.
[Chuckling.]

David: Yeah. I'm sure it's around. You can find somewhere to play it. You should Livestream this on your-

Sage: Yeah. [amused] It might be on shovelware. [chuckles]

Greg: Wow.

Sage: Uh, one of those shov-shovelware websites.

David: Why don't you plug your game streaming?

Sage: [chuckles] Oh-

David: You can watch Sage play this on his stream!
[Chuckling.]

Sage: Well, ma-maybe David will play it on the *20 Sided Stories* channel. You'll-

David: There you go.

Sage: You'll- you'll walk us through it. That'll be a fun one.

David: Yeah. There you go.

Sage: Um, well, let's toss this to someone else.

Greg: What's the game called?

David: Oh, you found a piece of the trea- yeah, and then you have to put together the treasure map.

Sage: [chuckles] Okay.

Greg: David, what's the game called?

David: Uh, Fisher-Price *Great Adventures: Pirate Ship*.

Greg: Okay.

Sage: Nice.
[Chuckling.]

Emily: Question, uh, is anybody's-

Jessica: That's got a ring to it.

David: Yeah.

Emily: Is anyone's piece of media *Muppet Treasure Island*? Because I have backups if it is.
[chuckles]

David: [chuckles] Let's get that one outta the way while we can.

Jessica: Go- just go for it.

David: Just go first. Go next.

Greg: Yeah.

Henry: Go for it, yeah.

Emily: No, I've got- I have- okay, here's the problem. I have a few. And I'll talk about them. It's giving you, like, a sampling. Like, uh...

Sage: Sure.

Jessica: Mm-hmm.

Henry: Yeah.

Emily: Like sliders. [chuckles]

Jessica: Mm!

Henry: Oh, yeah.

Emily: So firstly, I wanna talk about, um, probably the first book I ever read about pirates as a child, which it was called something else when I was a kid, it was called *Pirates and Petticoats*. They re-released it called *Sea Queens* now, I believe. It was all about lady pirates.

Jessica: Ooo.

Emily: Um, and so I was really, really, really, really into that as a child 'cause I was like, ladies doing crime? I can get into this.

Sage: And what's great is I remember you telling me this, like, years ago now.

Emily: Yeah.

Sage: [chuckles] This is crazy. We've known each other long enough to say years, plural. 'Cause it-

Emily: Wait, was this- I feel like this was potentially something that you asked me in my initial audition for *20 Sided Stories*. Or something that came up.

Jessica: Probably. 'Cause-

Sage: I don't know- it might- not initial, but I think basically around the time when we're like, hey, do you want to stick around? [chuckles] I was like, 'cause I- I'm gonna do a pirate series. I feel like you'd be pretty good. And then you're like, I love pirates! Specifically lady pirates. And you started talking about this. I didn't know this is what it was.

Emily: Yeah. And then you couldn't shut me up and here I am. Anyway.

Sage: Yeah. [chuckles]

Emily: Lady pirates. Pretty cool.

Sage: which cover is- where- where is- uh, looks like there's lots of different...

Emily: Uh, that- *Pirates and Petticoats* was the one released in, like, the '60s, I think.

Sage: Old school.

Emily: *Sea Queens* is the much more recent one. *Sea Queens: Women Pirates Around the World*. Uh, 'cause they *were* around the world. Um, there's a lot of really cool lady pirates.

Uh, Grace O'Malley is a favorite. She bit a man's ear off and then kept it around her neck, I'm pretty sure.

Jessica: Nice. It's frickin' punk rock.

Emily: They called her Grace the Goat because she would headbutt people.

[**Jessica** chuckles.]

Greg: Wow.

Emily: Uh, Big, big favorite of mine. And then Ching Shih, who's one of the more famous ones.

Sage: Oh yeah.

Emily: Who married her son, but he was her adopted- [sighs] It's kind of Woody Allen situation.

Jessica: Yeah.

Emily: Um, anyway.

Greg: No more of that one.

[Chuckling.]

Emily: But Ching Shih was a very successful pirate. Uh, really cool. And now somebody take this-

Sage: Like, *the* most successful- [chuckles]

Emily: Yeah.

Greg: Yeah, she was *the* most successful pirate.

Emily: And then she, like, retired.

Sage: Like, she fuckin' just did it. She just like- they're just like, okay, can you stop? Here's a bunch of money. Like... Cool.

Greg: Yeah, no cre- no- no time served.

Sage: That's it!

Emily: She was, like, [nonchalant] Fine. I'll give up my 20,000 ships. Whatever. I guess I'll just live out the rest of my life in luxury and peace. Cool.

Sage: Yeah.

Emily: Um, yeah, okay, girl boss.

[**Jessica** chuckles.]

I am, by the way, drinking rum out of a Girl Boss mug right now for audio-only listeners.

Jessica: Oh. Nice.

Sage: Nice.

Henry: Oh my god.

Emily: Which felt appropriate. Uh, so yeah, that was like sort of my first exposure to that. And then always been really into pirates. Uh, and then I read *Pirate Latitudes* by Michael Creighton I think when I was in, like, middle school.

Henry: Sounds like the door is locked.

Emily: Which, um, that was the first book released after his death. Michael Creighton, the author of Jurassic Park combo...other books.

Jessica: Yeah.

David: That's cool.

Emily: Um, yes.

Henry: Wow.

Sage: Wow.

Emily: Um, but *Pirate Latitudes*...

David: *Jurassic Park*-

Emily: I think it was finished and then somebody else editeded- it-ed-ed-ed.

[**Jessica** makes record scratching noises.]

Sage: My favorite word. [chuckles]

Emily: Edited-ed-ed it, uh, posthumously. Um, it's okay. It's pretty good. Uh, but the reason I was obsessed with it is because there's a French lady pirate in it. Um, and her battle style is she flashes her tits at people to confuse them and then kills them.

[Chuckling.]

Henry: Wow.

Emily: Which I was like, yeah. That's pretty-

Jessica: Way to utilize the assets.

Emily: That's pretty fuckin' cool. [chuckles]

Christian: That's what I would do if I got mugged.

[Laughter.]

Jessica: Show your tits?

Christian: Yeah, man!

Emily: Just be like, look at my nipples. [laughs]

Christian: *Really* confuse the perpetrator, er, like the guy or gir-

Jessica: Yeah.

Christian: Or whoever the hell is tryin'a mug me. It'd be like, oh, what are you gonna do now? They'll probably still stab me.

Jessica: Kinda like a Russian roulette of what their reaction would be.

Christian: Yeah.

Henry: Yeah.

Emily: What if you get a purple nipple?

Sage: I will *not* be Googling this one. [chuckles]

Christian: Oh god!

[Chuckling.]

Emily: Anyway, that.

Sage: Nice.

Emily: Which brings me to *Muppet Treasure Island*.

Jessica: Mm.

Henry: Ooo.

Emily: Which is very important to me.

Jessica: Mm-hmm.

Emily: If you haven't seen *Muppet Treasure Island*, go watch it. Um, Billy Connolly-

Henry: Probably gonna do that [CROSSTALK]

Sage: You know what's funny is, like, I actually- I actually don't know if I have, Em.

Greg: What?

Henry: I know I haven't.

Emily: Okay. Well, go watch it.

Sage: Like, I probably have, but I wouldn't count it 'cause I don't remember it.

Jessica: We'll watch it before we go. Before we go.

Sage: Yeah.

Emily: It's a masterpiece. It's my favorite Muppet Movie by far. Human cast, Billy Connolly, Tim Curry, Jennifer Saunders.

Jessica: [chef's kiss] Mmwha!

Sage: Got Tim Curry in it, I'm sold. That's all I need.

Greg: Mm-hmm.

Emily: Tim Curry is so fucking good. He plays Long John Silver.

[**Jessica** chuckles.]

Sage: Nice.

Emily: Uh, wonderful.

Henry: Right.

Emily: There's lots of Gonzo and Rizzo, uh, one of my favorite Muppet duos.

Greg: Hell yeah.

Emily: There's pirates. There's Muppet pirates, which is pretty good. There's a lot of musical numbers on boats, which is even better.

Sage: Mm-hmm.

Emily: Uh, Kermit the Frog in a little hat [chuckles] for your consideration.

Jessica: Nice. [chuckles]

[Chuckling.]

Emily: I love this movie so much.

Sage: Can't wait. This looks like a fun time.

Emily: It is- it is the funnest time. And the musical numbers are, like, really good.

Sage: Yeah.

Emily: Really, really good. Cabin Fever slaps. Uh...

[**Sage** chuckles.]

So hard.

Greg: I believe after that movie came out, kids started handing out, like, pieces of paper with black spots on the playground.

Emily: Yes. I do remember that, actually. Maybe that was actually a Pirates of the Caribbean thing for me, in my era. But yes, the black spot, as a child, uh, fear tactic. Very popular.

Greg: Mm-hmm.

[A scene from *Muppet Treasure Island* plays in the background, a group of pirates on a beach at night, shoving a boy around.]

Sage: Nice. Hell yeah. This-

Emily: No, you can't watch this scene! It's a spoiler, Sage!

Sage: Oh, I just picked one-

Emily: Turn it off!

[Laughter. **Sage** quickly turns off the video.]

Sage: I was hoping the top result would be a trailer. I guess not.

Henry: Don't ruin it for us.

Sage: Alright, sorry.

Emily: Don't ruin it.

Greg: Sage is one of those guys who doesn't care about spoilers.

Sage: That's- that's the opposite of true. [chuckles]

[Chuckling.]

Emily: That- yeah. That- that is true. [chuckles]

Sage: Um, were there any others, Em, of your sampling? Are these the- these the top three pirate inspirations?

Emily: Uh, these- these are- I love these. Um, also, I was big fan of *Black Sails* for a while. Um, but then I kinda fell off.

Sage: That's a TV show, right?

Emily: Yeah, the TV show about pirates. They've got one of the coolest opening credit scenes-

Henry: John Malkovich, right?

Emily: -with a score that just slaps pirate ass. Um... Yeah. Go look at it. It's like oh, oh, it's nice. It's like ivory-

Greg: I love that logo.

Emily: -and there's, like, little pirates and shit. It's good. It's- I really appreciate it. It's very diverse.

[The opening sequence for *Black Sails* plays in the background.]

Jessica: [intrigued] Mm.

Emily: It's very queer. It's very interesting. Um, there's great characters. It's very well-written. I just kinda got bogged down after a couple seasons of it 'cause I was like... 'Kay.
[stifles laughter]

Sage: That's always how- [scoffs] That's always how it goes.

Emily: Boobies and pirates.

[Chuckling.]

And don't get me wrong. [chuckles] But also, yeah. It slaps. I think Bear McCreary did the music for it, and it's like really good.

Sage: Nice.

[In the video, the opening credits show "Music by Bear McCreary"]

Jessica: Yup. Bear McCreary.

Sage: There he is. Yeah.

Emily: His name is Bear. He's- he's good at the music thing.

Sage: It's a good name. If I had that name, I'd-

Henry: What else has Bear done?

Sage: *The Walking Dead.*

Emily: Uh...

Henry: *The Walking Dead.*

Sage: Yeah.

Emily: Yeah. That was sort of the- the big thing.

Henry: Bear McCreary.

Sage: Nice. Well, I don't have Starz. But uh, I'd definitely love to watch it.

Emily: Yeah. Unfortunately, it is a Starz thing. But it is good! It is good. And there's ladies and queer people.

Sage: Crazy, and you think these days it'd be, like, easy to watch anything with all these streaming services.

Christian: Nope!

Sage: [increasingly irked] But there's always another one that you don't have.

Greg: Always gotta pay for something.

Christian: Gotta get that HBO.

Sage: But then you don't-

Jessica: And then you're basically just paying for cable. [stifles laughter]

Emily: Yup.

Jessica: We love it.

Emily: We've come full circle.

Greg: Eh, it's still not as expensive as cable.

Sage: It's still cheaper.

Greg: Yeah.

Sage: But I think if you get- if you get every-

Jessica: No! Cumulative. Like, if you have all...

Sage: If you get everything, I think you pass cable.

Greg: Well, and you don't share it with anybody.

Jessica: Yeah.

Sage: [chuckles] That's true.

Christian: [chuckles] But that's true.

Sage: That's true. [clears throat] Uh-

Emily: Also, Michael Bay is an executive producer on the show. Anyway. [chuckles] That's- it's- [chuckles]

[Henry chuckles.]

Sage: [intrigued] Oh.

Greg: Oh, now *I'm* into it.

Emily: Yeah.

Sage: For- for any Michael Bay fans out there.

Emily: Yeah, for all you Michael Bay fans out there. [chuckles]

Sage: Yeah.

Henry: Cannon ball things are insane.

Jessica: All you Bay Bros!

Emily: Bay Bros!

[Christian chuckles.]

Okay. And one last thing-

Greg: Which will transition into mine, The Rock.

[Laughter.]

Emily: My one last thing is, while I have this moment, I'd like to say Disney. Disneyland.

Jessica: Yes.

Emily: Why the fuck, in Pirates of the Caribbean, the ride-

Jessica: Mm-hmm.

Emily: -are the only two lady pirates behind a bunch of barrels that you can't even see when you're waiting in line, and you only see if you look to the left at the very end of the ride?

Christian: Really?

Sage: They updated it. Didn't they?

Henry: Wow.

[Emily shakes her head, lips pursed.]

Greg: I think they were adding to it later, I think that's why.

Emily: Anne Bonny and Mary Read. Which is ridiculous, right? Because there's, like, fucking fake pirates.

Jessica: She's talking about the- the portraits when you're- you're walking.

Emily: I'm not talking about Red.

Jessica: Yeah.

Emily: I'm not talking about the lady pirate in the- the scene that used to be by a wench and is now by a rich person's richness.

Greg: Mm-hmm.

Emily: No, it's like right when you come around the corner and there's like the parrot on the island. And you're like, oh, there's everybody in line.

Sage: Uh-huh.

Emily: If you, like, look behind some barrels, there's a Anne Bonny and Mary Read, real historical pirates-

Sage: Yeah.

Emily: -hidden! Hidden away!

Sage: I mean, I didn't even know.

Greg: Painted on the wall, yeah.

Emily: Yeah, whereas Captain Barbossa, Geoffrey Rush's fictional character, has like a very *prominent* spot on the wall. Anyway.

Sage: Yeah.

Emily: Rant over.

Henry: Mm.

Emily: That's it. That's me.

Jessica: Money, money, money.

Sage: [scoffs] Yeah. Good ride, though.

Emily: [to Jessica] Pirate's world. [to Sage] Right.

Sage: Fun time. Good ride.

David: And they're, uh, they're auctioning off a chicken.

Emily: Yeah.

Jessica: Oh, yeah, yeah.

Emily: You can buy chickens instead of women now.

Jessica: Yes.

Sage: Mm.

Henry: Uh-huh.

Jessica: You can buy *chicks* instead of chicks.

[Mock laughter.]

David: Ah, you said it.

Jessica: See what they did there?

Greg: Jessica Dahlgren!

[Chuckling.]

Jessica: This is my favorite ride at Disneyland, though.

Christian: It's so good.

Emily: Yeah. It's a great ride.

Jessica: It's just all around...

Christian: It's still so scary.

Sage: I think it's the only one that I'm, like, never not down to go on. You know what I mean?

Jessica: Well, it's like short. Yeah.

Emily: The wait's always shorter.

Christian: It's so fun.

Greg: Yeah, if I don't go on it, it doesn't feel complete.

Sage: Yeah.

Jessica: Yeah.

Sage: Nice.

Jessica: It's the perfect, like, amount of time you're on the ride. Usually a quick line. Um...

Christian: You get a little wet on this ride. Right? If I recall.

Emily: A *little* wet. It's pretty dry.

David: Yeah, a little tiny bit.

Jessica: It- occasionally.

Henry: Yeah.

Sage: Eh, just a *little* wet.

Henry: Little splashing.

Jessica: Not always.

Emily: Yeah.

Christian: Just like a- like a splidget.

Jessica: Like, you get a couple droplets.

Christian: Okay.

Greg: Depends on where you sit.

Jessica: Yeah.

Emily: Yeah. It does.

Christian: You have to be, like, in the middle to, like, get rid of it? Or is it the middle?

Jessica: Yeah, yeah.

Sage: I have eaten at that restaurant. Very cool.

Greg: The Blue Bayou.

Emily: The Blue Bayou?

Jessica: Oh, yes.

Sage: Yeah.

Greg: What?

Sage: Yeah.

Henry: The Blue Bayou.

Jessica: I ate there as a kid once, and they gave me a blue pirate paper hat.

Greg: Nice.

Emily: Do you still have it?

Jessica: [sad] No.

Sage: I actually remember I- I ordered a steak, and it was terrible. And I was like, guys, this is really bad. And they're like, okay. And then they made it again. And it was better.
[stifles laughter]

Christian: Wow.
[Stifled laughter.]

Jessica: Do you approach all of the restaurant workers-
[Laughter.]
When you talk to your servers, do you always go, "you guys"?

Sage: [laughs] Yes.

Jessica: You guys, hear me out.

Greg: [amused] To the one server.

Jessica: You guys. [chuckles]

Christian: You guys, this steak right here?
[Chuckling.]
How is this not good?

Greg: I don't wanna assume that you're just a single entity.
[Chuckling.]

Sage: Um... What about you, Hendo? Been a little quiet over there. Got any pirate things you wanna share with the rest of the class?

Henry: I was doing some... I watched a pirate-involved movie today. I was- I'm a little, compared to everybody else, a little pirate deprived. I feel like all the pirates in my past have been, like, features. So, like, there's, like, a pirate episode and code-
Codename: Kids Next Door were hunting this asparagus.

Jessica: Nice.

Christian: Nice.
[Chuckling.]

Henry: And, like, they're hunting the one giant asparagus monster and it's awesome. And then-

Sage: I don't remember this. But I remember that show.

Henry: And then Flying Dutchman from SpongeBob.

Jessica: Of course.

Christian: Ah!

David: Nice.

Henry: You know?

Emily: Classic.

Jessica: Wait, let's- yeah. Talk about that.

Henry: Well, I mean, I don't have much to say.

[Chuckling.]

I watched- the movie I *did* watch today, though, that was pirate inclined, um, doesn't- doesn't...doesn't hold up. I was watching *Peter Pan*.

[**Jessica** gasps happily.]

'Cause I was wondering, I'm like-

Emily: Oh, which one?

Sage: There's many.

Jessica: Which one?

Henry: 50- 1953.

Jessica: Oh, okay.

Emily: Oh! Yeah. [chuckles]

Greg: No, you gotta watch the one from the 2000s.

Henry: Yeah, it's very pro- it's very problematic. In more ways that I, like, thought. Um... 'Cause I was, like, thinking- 'cause when I think of pirates, I think of *Pirates of the Caribbean*.

Christian: Of course.

Henry: And I'm like, okay. That's, like, PG pirates. I'm like, I wonder where PG pirates, like, kinda- like, when were they becoming, like, popular? Because pirates are pretty hardcore.

Jessica: Yeah.

Henry: And also, like, I learned a fun fact that my friend told me about pirates. Like, apparently, like, pirates actually didn't really kill a lot of people, um, 'cause they wanted- like, they just wanted to, mm, they just wanted to be feared among the seas. So how they did that is that the times that they did kill people, they made it the most,

like, gruesome, horrifying thing ever so that, when they did raid, like, trade ships, they would do- like, they would comply peacefully.

Sage: Can't wait to sound design a keelhaul. [chuckles]

Henry: Um... But yeah, it was watching *Peter Pan* today, and it was- it was- it's really wild. *Peter Pan* is, like, really narcissistic and, like, nihilistic.

[Chuckling.]

And you, like, you think- and you think that, like, oh, he doesn't end up that way. And he doesn't- he ends up that way in the movie. It's really wild.

Sage: Huh.

Henry: Of course, how the betrayed indigenous people is very terrible. And then, like, it's why- and it's also wild 'cause every woman in that movie wants to *kill* Wendy because she has Peter's attention. So every woman in that story is also jealous of each other. So it's-

[Stifled laughter.]

Yeah, it's- it's really bad.

[Laughter.]

Emily: Women can't be friends.

Henry: It's a fun movie to, like- It's a fun movie to, like, haggle. Like, me and my sister were watching it, and we were- we were haggling the whole time.

[Laughter.]

But when, uh, and the whole, like, actually, like, was it dreamland? Is- is it...

Jessica: Nev-

Henry: I'm not quite sure. I just watched it, so I feel like I should know it.

Emily: Neverland?

Greg: The Neverlands.

Henry: Yes. Correct.

Sage: This is so funny coming up, like, having Emily in- [chuckles] in this call...

[Chuckling.]

Considering, uh-

Emily: Oh, yeah. We-

Sage: -if you don't know, Hendo, Emily is literally on a- a, uh, Peter Pan inspired show.

Emily: A Neverland setting D&D show, um, where-

Henry: Oh, whoa. That's sick.

Emily: Yeah, the setting is much newer. Andrew Kolb, who wrote it, uh, was much more respectful of indigenous people. Um...

Henry: They have coo- like, a cool map and, like, a cool... Like, the theory of Neverland's kinda awesome 'cause they have, like, the Rainbow Bridge, they have the indigenous land, and then they have, like, crocodile river. And then they just have, like, all these cool, like, areas specked in there.

Emily: Yeah. Geography-wise, it slaps.

Henry: Geography-wise, it *slaps*, dude.

[Laughter.]

It does! That's the best way to say it.

Sage: Yeah,

Henry: But um... And we-

Sage: And the- the one in the RPG you play, Em, that one's- that one's like a hex map, right? What is- what the- what's the name of the system?

Emily: Yeah, it's a hex crawl. Neverland? D&D? 5E? [chuckles] What are- what...

Sage: Is that it? I thought that- I thought it has a name.

Emily: Just type in Neverland, uh...

[On the screen, several pictures of the book *Neverland: A Fantasy Role-Playing Setting* show up from the search.]

Yeah. That- there it is. That's the book.

Sage: Oh, it's just Neverland. Okay. Yeah, yeah, yeah.

Greg: That- that book is awesome.

Jessica: Yeah.

Sage: You bought this one, Greg?

Greg: Uh, I've- I've flipped through it.

Sage: Yeah. The art is so cool.

Greg: [impressed] All the art...

Emily: Yeah. Andrew wrote it, also did all the art.

Henry: Well, that's cool.

Emily: He does a lot of art for Disney as well. He does, like, the children's book versions of some of their movies, which is cool.

Sage: Yeah.

Emily: I think he just did, like, Spider-Man.

Henry: Sick.

Sage: Big fan of the graphic design.

Jessica: That's awesome.

Emily: Yeah, he's been running a sort of parallel campaign for us where he runs us through as the Lost Boys.

Sage: Nice.

Emily: Which is fun.

Henry: Oh, right on.

Emily: Yeah. It's a cool setting without the really bad stuff.

[Stifled laughter.]

Henry: Well, when you take out all the really bad stuff, and it's awesome!

Emily: Yeah! There's still good stuff!

Sage: Yeah.

Henry: Yeah, there is a lot of good stuff. You know?

Emily: Yeah.

Jessica: I definitely did love the *Peter Pan* in the early 2000s, as a child.

Emily: Oh. Jeremy, what's his name?

Jessica: Jeremy Sumpter, I think?

Emily: Yes.

Henry: Is this- is this animated?

Jessica: Huge crush on that guy, on that dude. I was a kid.

Emily: No, it was live-action.

Henry: Oh, okay.

Emily: Yeah.

Greg: Who's the- the Captain Hook. Isaac, um... What's his name? He was Malfoy's dad.

Henry: Oscar Issac?

Emily: Uh, no. It's- oh, fuck. Oh my god, what's that actor's name?

Greg: Jason Isaacs!

Emily: Yes.

Greg: He's my favorite Captain Hook.

Henry: Wow, I've never seen this.

Emily: Yeah, he's so sexy in it. [chuckles] Unfortunately.

[Laughter.]

Greg: That's why!

Jessica: And didn't-

Emily: Everybody was-

Henry: Captain Hook.

Emily: Yeah.

Henry: I can see it.

David: Wait a minute. Wait a minute. Garrett Hedlund isn't your favorite Captain Hook?

Henry: Oh, is Garrett Hedlund Captain Hook in the 2015 *Pan*?

Greg: Neither is Dustin Hoffman.

Emily: Oh my god, I forgot about 2015 *Pan*.

Jessica: Oh.

Christian: Oh, yeah.

David: Don't forget about 2015 *Pan* with Amanda Seyfried. Hugh Jackman.

Sage: How do you feel about this one, David?

Emily: I would like to forget about it. [chuckles] Wait, didn't- oh yeah! Hugh Jackman...

Sage: What's so great about this one, David?

Henry: Oh, he's Captain Hook?

Emily: ...also played Captain Hook, didn't he?

Greg: Huge Ackman's in it?

David: It's the lore!

Emily: Huge Assman, yes.

Henry: [amused] Huge Assman. Huge Jackman.

[Various pictures of Garret Hedlund in scenes from *Pan* pop up in the online images search.]

Greg: Wait, that guy's Hook in this, uh, in *Pan*?

Emily: He looks like he's in a boy band.

Christian: He's too cute!

Emily: Yeah.

Christian: That guy's, like, way too...

Sage: Can I just say, I fuckin' hate-

Henry: The other guys seems more sexy actor.

David: [jazz hands] It's lore!

Emily: He has to be dastardly.

Christian: Not jaded.

David: Are you kids-

Sage: If- I- for whatever reason, it drives me- it's so- I find it so cringe that the trend of, like, [scoffs] just the- trying to be, like, the biopic of, like, you know this thing so well that we're gonna take one word out of the- we're gonna take one name out of it and just distill it down to one single word.

Jessica: Oh. Pan.

Christian: Yeah.

Emily: [monotone] Pan.

Henry: Yeah.

Sage: Pan.

David: [jazz hands] Oh, but it's lore!

Sage: And, like, they've done that with so- and now the- now there's gonna be *Lightyear*.

Emily: Hook! Well, *Hook* is good.

Greg: As in sexual.

[Stifled laughter.]

David: Dude, *Lightyear* look sh- sweet. *Lightyear* looks so good.

Emily: Greg, you might be on to something. [chuckles]

[**Greg** chuckles.]

Sage: It does. Right? I just- I don't know why, it just bothers me. So many movies do that.

Jessica: But also, this- going back on how he looks like he's in a boy band, like, I remember-

David: He is a musician. [stifles laughter]

Jessica: -Tumblr era, people, like, fancasted him as, like, Finnick Odair, I think, from The Hunger Games series who was, like, the ultimate pretty boy.

Emily: Oh, yeah.

David: He's like a country musician. It's not a boy band.

Emily: Oh, is this the one where Rooney Mara plays Tiger Lily?

David: Yeah!

Henry: Ooo.

Jessica: Yes. Yes.

Emily: Oh my god. What year was this? 2015?

Sage: I've never... I've never frickin' noticed.

Henry: 2015.

Jessica: Yeah.

David: Looney Rooney! [chuckles]

[Chuckling.]

Emily: No...

Henry: Yeah.

Jessica: Just absolutely terrible.

Greg: See-

Emily: I can't believe she and her agent said yes to that.

Henry: Yeah.

Emily: Like, I know it's not-

Greg: See, Trump hadn't been elected yet. And so the Wokening hadn't- hadn't hit everyone quite yet.

Emily: [understanding] Mm.

Sage: [chuckles] The Wokening.

Emily: [whispers] Oh, the Wokening.

David: But the c- but y- [jazz hands] People love lore! They love lore! Look at all the- the Star Wars shit and the Harry Potter shit.

[Chuckling.]

People love the lore! They wanna go back in time.

Jessica: Okay, boomer. Okay.

David: There's a whole-

Christian: Yo, Sage, scroll back up.

Sage: Oh.

David: There's a whole fuckin' series of movies about Dumbledore. You know?

Jessica: Oh yeah.

David: You're like, oh! Yeah! Dumbledore!

Christian: Who's that bald guy? Who's the bald guy on that poster?

Greg: Professor X.

Henry: Oh. Not Hook.

David: That's Hugh Jackman as, uh, Black Beard.

Henry: Oh.

Christian: oh.

Emily: Wait, he's not even... But he looks like...

Christian: He looks like Pitbull.

[Laughter.]

Emily: People worldwide! [laughs]

David: Listen-

Christian: Who is that guy? This- he's- [chuckles]

David: You gotta watch the fucking movie, man.

[Laughter.]

You won't believe! [chuckles]

Christian: These are crazy- these posters are crazy.

Henry: Yeah.

Christian: They look like character selection screens from Super Nintendo or something.

[Laughter.]

Emily: Can we hate-watch this movie for content? Is that allowed?

Christian: [announcer voice] Choose your character! Cute-ass Captain Hook. Super Duper Young Peter Pan!

Greg: [Australian accent] Tryin'a catch that Peter Pan.

[Laughter.]

Jessica: Peter Pin. [chuckles]

Sage: Christian, have we done you yet?

Christian: No, not yet. But it's cool.

Sage: Yeah, no, uh-

Greg: Let's do Christian.

Henry: Let's hear it.

Emily: Get done.

Sage: Do you- do you have-

[Chuckling.]

Henry: [amused] Get done.

[**Christian** laughs.]

Do him.

Christian: Alright, that's my time! See you guys!

[Chuckling.]

Sage: Something better than Pit- Pitbull and Pan?

Christian: I love Pitbull Hook.

[Chuckling.]

His flow is crazy, and he really caters to, you know, the Latino community, which I really appreciate.

[Chuckling.]

I'm so down!

Henry: Captain Seawide.

Greg: Do you wanna- do you wanna get some, uh, some verses for Pitbull Hook?

[Laughter.]

Christian: I know you want me-

Emily: You know that whoop that Pitbull does on that song that he did for *Aquaman*?

[Chuckling.]

Christian: Oh, yeah. [laughs]

Emily: I wanna imitate it, but I've never sound that good doing it.

Christian: That guy just wants money now. He just- he'll say yes to anything.

Jessica: Yeah.

Christian: He'll like, yeah. I'll- I'll-

Emily: He's Mr. Worldwide.

Christian: Yeah!

Henry: Yeah.

David: I am too!

[Chuckling.]

Jessica: [amused] I am too.

Christian: Yeah, he's makin', like, 50 old women happy out all over there. Um...

Emily: It's true.

Christian: Let's see. So mine specifically, I guess, uh, shout out to certain things. So shout out to, uh, uh, to Captain Phillips because I believe that's like modern-day sea pirate and it's really scary and, uh-

Emily: [amused] I was hoping someone would say that.

[Laughter.]

Christian: I'm the captain now. I think someone had to say it. Um...

Greg: [Somali accent] Look at me. [points to eyes] Jessica.

[Chuckling.]

Christian: [Somali accent] Look at me. I'm the captain now.

Henry: I am the captain now.

Christian: And then Patchy the Pirate. I know we, uh, we touched up a little bit on the Flying Dutchman.

[Emily gasps happily.]

David: Oh, yeah.

Henry: Oh! Holy shit. Yeah.

Christian: But Tom Kenny as Patchy the Pirate, specifically in that SpongeBob episode where he throws a party, and I forget the specifics of that, but I remember that that was such a creative episode. Because we were, like, jumping from something that was fully animated and, like, in between episodes, he would just have this party. And it's ch- it was crazy.

Greg: Oh, I've seen this!

Henry: I didn't know that was Tom Kenny.

/David: Yeah. That's him.

Emily: Yeah, at what age did you- Well, I mean, we know what age for you, Henry.

[**Jessica** stifles laughter.]

But at what age did you realize that Tom Kenny was both Patchy and SpongeBob?

[**Henry** stifles laughter.]

Christian: Honestly? Like, maybe two years ago?

[Chuckling.]

Sage: Yeah, I-

David: Polly! [chuckles]

Sage: Jess and I, we've only watched a couple episodes, but we actually started rewatching SpongeBob because of Paramount+. And, uh, still holds up.

David: Yeah.

Henry: Oh, yeah.

Christian: Yeah.

Sage: It's one of the best fucking cartoons ever made. And I'll- you'll never-

Emily: Hell yeah.

Sage: You'll never [chuckles] take that away.

Henry: The 2004 movie is- is underrated. It's a coming-of-age masterpiece.

Jessica: Oh, yeah. Emotional!

Emily: Yes, it is.

Jessica: [loud] So emotional!

Henry: But it is so incredible. The beginning of the film was amazing.

Christian: The soundtrack is good!

Emily: David Hasselhoff's in it!

Sage: I remember premiere day.

Henry: Oh.

Sage: I- that was *lit*.

Henry: It was- it was so good.

Sage: It was a fuckin' hype train.

Jessica: I was-

Emily: I wish they would stop making SpongeBob content, though. I know it make-

Henry: Uh, yeah, it would be- that would be good thing, yeah.

[Jessica chuckles.]

Emily: It makes the money, but it makes me sad. So stop.

Henry: They made a Patrick show.

Jessica: Yeah.

David: Yeah.

Henry: They made a Patrick show where he was, like, a pewee- *Pee-wee's Playhouse* sort of thing.

Sage: They launched two new shows.

Christian: Stop.

Sage: With Paramount+.

Christian: [horrified] Stop. Really?

Emily: When?

Sage: Yeah.

Henry: Yeah, they made one. I'm glad, like, that people don't know about it.

[Chuckling.]

But, like, it was on Nickelodeon.

Sage: I've-

Henry: It was a *Pee-wee's Playhouse* sort of thing where he was, like, the host of his own show.

Jessica: Whoa!

Henry: And it was *not* good.

Sage: I keep forgetting-

Emily: This isn't for good.

Christian: And it just took place underneath his rock?

Henry: No. No, no, no. He had, like, a studio.

Christian: [horrified] Stop.

[Chuckling.]

Henry: I wish they did stop.

Christian: Patrick is not fit to make business decisions to- to do this!

[Laughter.]

What is he doing? [chuckles]

Henry: I don't know. I don't even think SpongeBob was in it, either.

[Several pictures from the *SpongeBob Musical* show up from the online image search.]

Sage: I completely forgot...

Jessica: Well, apparently, this is a musical.

Sage: ...that SpongeBob has a Broadway musical.

Christian: Yeah. That-

Emily: Yeah. I've seen it.

Henry: How is it?

Emily: Uh, it's pretty good.

Henry: Oh!

Emily: Uh, so the-

Sage: See- so in-person?

Emily: Yes. So I'll tell you-

Sage: On Broadway?!

Emily: -a brief anecdote. Yes.

Henry: Hey!

Emily: I'll tell you a brief anecdote about the *SpongeBob Musical* on Broadway. Um, so it is a jukebox musical, sort of, in that a bunch of bands wrote songs for it.

Sage: Oh.

Emily: So there's, like, a Panic! At The Disco song in it.

Sage: Mm.

Emily: The night that I saw it, [chuckles] shout out to theater performers, um, Squidward was played by an understudy. In the musical Squidward has, like, a 20-minute uninterrupted tap number.

Jessica: There it is. [chuckles]

Emily: Um, and-

Henry: Wow.

Christian: Whoa.

Emily: Yeah. It's fucking incredible. And so the understudy had to do this entire number that is mind blowing-ly good. Amazing. Literally the show, after he was done, stop- I've never seen this before. People stood up for a standing ovation in the middle of the show for an understudy. And he cried.

Jessica: Ah. Aw!

Henry: Bad-ass.

Christian: Incredible.

Emily: And I cried. And then everyone cried.

Christian: Yup. Incredible.

Henry: Bravo.

Emily: And then we were all crying and clapping and, like, not sitting down for, like, way too long. [chuckles]

Henry: Ah. That is wonderful.

Sage: [chuckles] And there's still a whole rest of the show to go.
[Chuckling.]

Emily: Yeah! No, there's still a lot of the show. And we were like, [mock sob] Oh my god! Squidward!

Henry: That's awesome.

Sage: Beautiful.

Emily: Yeah, that was pretty cool. It was a beautiful moment.

Christian: Shout out to understudies. They don't get enough love.

Henry: Shout out to understudies.

Emily: Shout out to understudies and swings.

Jessica: Yeah.

Henry: Yeah.

Christian: Yeah!

Sage: For real.

Greg: Beware the swings.

Christian: Especially during this, like, day and age, man. It's crazy.

Emily: Yeah.

Jessica: Fuckin' crazy.

Emily: Yes.

Sage: Christian, did you have any that was not SpongeBob? Or is this the one?

Christian: Um, no, uh, there was... Let me thing. Nah, you guys touched up on everything else. So, uh, I-

Sage: Oh, we stole all yours? [sad sigh]

Christian: Yeah, I mean, it's okay. I was, like, a little later on the list. But, like-

Greg: No other pirates?

Christian: No, I mean, just like, uh, Henry over there, I'm- I was also pirate-deprived. Like, my-

Jessica: Well... Oh, sorry.

Christian: Sorry. No, go ahead.

Jessica: No, no, no. I was-

Christian: After you b-

[Chuckling.]

Jessica: No, no! After you, sir. No.

Christian: [chuckling] No, after you, please.

Sage: Jess, you are the captain now. [chuckles]

Christian: [Somali accent] You are the captain now. [chuckles]

Jessica: Oh, fuck. Well, I was gonna mention you had mentioned that your mom currently is listening to mass.

[Chuckling.]

Christian: [amused] Yeah, she is! She had to close to door because she's listening to like a Tagalog mass. And so... [chuckles]

Jessica: So like, I don't know if our Catholic upbringing overlaps in a way, but there was the VeggieTales. Uh-

Christian: Oh, yeah! You're right! Yes!

Henry: My sister reminded me of that.

Jessica: They had the "Pirates Who Don't Do Anything".

Christian: I had to watch that, uh, during CCD. I remember that.

Jessica: Yeah! CCD.

Christian: Yeah!

Greg: Frickin' CCD.

Sage: I am purposefully stealing, for a tagline in our show, uh, [chuckles] instead of pirates who don't do anything, which is- which is apparently, like, a trope.

Jessica: Yeah.

Sage: Like, that name comes from just like a common trope in pirate stories, I guess, uh, of pirates doing nothing at sea, and that they're gonna do stuff they don't-

Emily: Just vibing.

Jessica: [stifles laughter] That's what I want.

Sage: Uh, we're gonna be the- we're gonna be the pirates who don't *own* anything.
[chuckles]

[Chuckling.]

Henry: There you go.

Jessica: [sings] We are the pirates who don't own anything.

Henry: Are there any, like, skirt- like, is there, like, a fear of scurvy with the veggie tale pirates?

[Chuckling.]

Emily: Wait, no-

Christian: Should be.

Emily: This is a good question 'cause, like, obviously you can cure or treat scurvy with certain fruits.

Henry: Yes.

Christian: Yeah.

Emily: But the only fruit they the toma...tomato.

Sage: Is there an orange veggie tale?

[Various pictures of Jimmy Gourd, an orange gourd, appear from the online search.]

[chuckling] Well, I guess... I guess not.

Emily: That looks like a gourd.

Jessica: It's a squash.

Sage: [amused] That is a squash.

[Chuckling.]

Christian: That's a gourd. What is that?

Henry: What is that?

Emily: It's Jimmy Gourd. [chuckles]

Henry: [amused] Jimmy Gourd.

Emily: [amused] Obviously!

Christian: That's a- whoa. Wild. That's a- that's an imperfect circle. What's going on?

[Chuckling.]

Sage: Official art from David.

Emily: Uh, there's no fruits in the *Veggie Tales* because it's very Christian.

[Chuckling.]

Jessica: [laughs] There's no fruit 'cause they're Christian!

Sage: So there's no fruits in *VeggieTales*?

Christian: The fruits are Hebrew.

Jessica: Well, there's the tomato.

Henry: They ate all the fruits.

[Stifled laughter.]

Christian: Yeah, man.

Emily: You can't be fruity in *VeggieTales*.

Henry: Now, isn't a tomato- well, no... It's on a vine.

Sage: Well, I just- I mean, like, it- there's no expanded lore?

Jessica: Yeah, no-

Sage: Like, obviously the *VeggieTales* are about the veggies, but you think there'd be, like-

Jessica: No, they- so what they do is that they use the veggies to- they- it's like Muppets in a way, where they cast them to- to portray biblical people.

Emily: Yeah.

Jessica: So often there's a lot of movies where they reenact, like, something that happened in the bible.

Emily: [whispers] In the bible.

Jessica: And then the veggies play, yes, what-

Emily: Yes.

Sage: Like *Prince of Egypt*. So are they gonna make-

Christian: Yeah, do they have, like, a *VeggieTales Prince of Egypt*?

Sage: [amused] Can they- can they remake *Prince of Egypt* with the *VeggieTales* characters?

Emily: With the veggies?

Henry: [amused] With the *VeggieTales*.

Emily: But it's still, like, Ralph Fiennes's voice.

[Chuckling.]

He's voicing a cucumber.

Henry: Oh, Ralph Fiennes is in the *Prince of Egypt*?

Sage: Oh.

Emily: Uh, yeah. He plays Ramses and...

Jessica: Not- no! Larry- Larry the Cucumber's...has to stay Larry the Cucumber, though. He's the shining star.

Christian: I don't know. I would read the entire bible if, like, they replaced all of the, you know, all the people in it with the *VeggieTales* characters.

[Chuckling.]

Emily: That's... how they get *children-*

Henry: I'm sure that's- yeah.

Greg: I bet that exists.

Henry: Of course he did.

Emily: -to learn the stories of the bible.

[Chuckling.]

That- that is the point! [chuckles]

David: Where it comes from.

Henry: That's how they get you. I don't think I've seen anything.

Sage: And I will never [chuckles] be able to forget this one.

[An image of a cucumber with a twisted, human-like face appears on the image search.]

Christian: [horrified] Stop, stop. Stop!

[Chuckling.]

What's wrong with you, man? That- he for sure has scurvy. Right there.

[Laughter.]

Sage: That's- that's what happened.

Jessica: We're looking at a cursed image of, uh, Larry the Cucumber from *VeggieTales*.

Emily: But would it- would it be cannibalism if the veggies ate fruits-

Henry: Fruit?

Emily: -to stave off the scurvy? Or is it not...

Jessica: I don't think so.

[An image of Larry the Cucumber and Bob the Tomato appears on the image search.]

Sage: [amused] So this didn't end well, right here. That...

Christian: Oh...

Henry: Oh. Oh, man.

Jessica: 'Cause what do they eat? Oh, no.

Christian: Each other, I guess.

Greg: Human.

Christian: Holy crap.

Henry: Veggies eat fruit, canonically.

Christian: I don't know. Looking at that one picture is like I feel like I'm gonna die in seven days now.

[Chuckling.]

I feel that was a- that cursed image. [chuckles]

[**Sage** pulls up the image of Larry the Cucumber with the twisted face again.]

Emily: Yeah, sorry, if you're listening to this bonus episode, you too will be killed by Larry the Cucumber in seven days.

[Chuckling.]

Christian: Oh, and-

Henry: If you don't share it with a thousand other people.

Sage: [amused] Unless you share it, yeah.

[Laughter.]

To seven other people.

Christian: It's a chain- it's a chain letter now?

Henry: Yeah. Yeah.

Sage: This is a-

Jessica: [excited] That's how we get more-

Christian: We turned this into a MySpace chain message?

Jessica: That's how we get more listeners!

Emily: Yes.

Henry: Yeah. There you go.

Christian: Oh!

Emily: [mock excitement] Threatening them!

Henry: [chuckles] Yeah.

[**Jessica** claps, laughing.]

Sage: Fuck the block chain. We're bringin' back chain email, uh, curses.

Henry: Yup.

Emily: Yes.

[Laughter.]

Send this podcast to ten friends or die. [stifles laughter]

Henry: Yeah.

[Laughter.]

Emily: Simple.

Christian: Real quick shout out to *The Backyardigans*. I never really watched it, but obviously their most popular song...

Jessica: Ah!

[**Jessica** waves invisible pompoms. **Emily** pumps her fist in a silent cheer.]

Sage: That's true.

Henry: See, I have never heard of it.

Christian: ...is castaways. Um...

Sage: Which- which, uh, we should talk about briefly. We're gonna wrap soon here but, uh, *The Backyardigans*, they had that sound viral on TikTok, like, kind of around the same time, Jess, that there was a huge sea shanty trend-

Jessica: Yes.

Sage: -for, like, a month as well. And I-

Greg: They just talked about that on NPR. They said it was a the leading garbage trend.

[Laughter.]

Sage: Garbage trend?

Henry: Ho.

Emily: Who said that?! Ira?

Greg: Yeah.

Emily: I'll fight 'em!

Henry: Those are fightin' words, right there.

Christian: I don't think it's garbage, man.

[Chuckling.]

Because the production that goes behind, uh, creating the- the songs and the dance numbers in *The Backyardigans*, I know that sounds, like, so ridiculous to those that aren't really familiar, but they actual- they hire professional choreographers to actually, you know, uh, uh, display dance moves that they- that inspire the dance moves in the show. And there's professional musicians on YouTube, specifically what I'm thinking of is Adam Neely, who breaks down the impeccable musicality behind this song. And it's so good.

Sage: I- I have seen that YouTube video suggested to me. I haven't watched...

Jessica: Yeah.

Emily: Are you gonna watch it?

Christian: It's really good. Adam Neely is dope as hell.

Sage: I think I did watch it. But I watch his other stuff. He's great.

Christian: 'Cause he breaks it down theoretically.

Sage: Yeah.

Christian: And, like, you know, uh, I- and makes it very entertaining and educational at the same time.

Sage: And he has- he has one about the- the sea shanties on TikTok. And it's actually, like, really-

Christian: Wow.

Sage: It's probably the best- it's the best, like, educational thing of just, like, how do shanties work and why do people like them? It's good. It's a good video.

Christian: Ah. So good.

Sage: Also, his music is just good. Uh, he's- he's in a band called Sun-

Christian: He's fan- yeah, a fan- a fantastic bases.

Sage: I think it's, like, Sun Blazers, something like that.

[Fact Check: Adam Neely's band is Sungazer.]

Christian: Something like that, yeah.

Sage: It's like a progressive band, and it's really fucking good. [chuckles]

Christian: But good for him. His production quality and, like, being able to, uh, teach a lot of people about- I don't know, music is just dope. And, like, theory can be very intimidating.

Sage: Yeah.

Christian: But, like, for him to break down this child song where they're all pretending to be pirates, it's- it's- it's incredible. I love it.

Sage: Shout out to *The Backyardigans*.

Christian: Yup!

Sage: Never watched it.

Jessica: It was a great children's show.

Henry: I forgot about these Backyardigans.

Greg: Never heard of it.

Sage: What is- is that a kangaroo?

Christian: I don't even know what they are.

Jessica: Well... Oh, I don't really know. I know- I think-

[A video clip plays of *The Backyardigans*. Uniqua, the pink spotted creature, draws a skull and crossbones in the sandbox.]

Henry: That's a cool skull.

Jessica: Is that Uniqua?

Christian: Are they vegetables too?

Sage: This one? Is that a rabbit?

Henry: Oh, that- I think...

Emily: Yes.

Jessica: Yeah.

Emily: Uniqua is...

Henry: That an axolotl. Right?

Emily: Wait, is Uniqua supposed to be axolotl?

Sage: What?! That's pretty cool.

Henry: It kinda looks like it just by the- by the- by the things.

Sage: Axol... How do you spell that?

Henry: It's a guess. I'm not quite sure.

Sage: Axol- uh, thank you, Google.

Jessica: There's a penguin, there's a- a moose.

Emily: Uh- oh! It's not only her name. It's her species. According to-

[A picture of an axolotl appears in the image search.]

Christian: Oh! [gasps]

Jessica: Oh.

Christian: So- one of those! Those are so cute!

Greg: That's a Pokémon.

[**Sage** chuckles.]

Emily: But that's not what she is.

Henry: They're in Minecraft now.

[**Christian** laughs.]

Emily: She is both the species Uniqua and then named Uniqua.

Henry: Oh.

Sage: That's what, um, I've- Mudkip is based off of this, I'm pretty sure.

Christian: Really?

Emily: Yup.

Greg: That's a CG Pokémon.

Sage: Yeah.

Jessica: Full circle, guys. Full circle.

[Sage chuckles.]

Emily: Wow.

Christian: Jeez.

Sage: Always comes back to Pokémon somehow.

Emily: Good job. Keep it in the branding.

Sage: Nice.

[Chuckling.]

Emily: Nice job. [chuckles] I'm sliding them all a \$5 bill.

Henry: We're gonna encounter pirates that just battle with, like, parrots and monkeys.

[Christian laughs.]

Greg: [pirate accent] Charizard, go!

[Laughter.]

Sage: I think we covered all the biggest touchstones, um, that I-

Emily: Oh, I have another one as well.

David: Another one. Another one.

Sage: Oh.

David: The, uh, episode of, uh, *CatDog* where they go crazy and they think they're pirates.

[Chuckling.]

Sage: Really? Is that a- is that one?

David: Yeah. I thought that's the one you were gonna say.

[Laughter.]

The one episode of *CatDog*.

Sage: I don't know, David. Kind of a deep cut.

Christian: [laughs] Oh, you're gonna guess.

Jessica: The one that got away.

Sage: That's kind of a deep cut, David. So deep that Google just gives me [chuckles] cats and dogs in pirate outfits. [chuckles]

[Cats and dogs in pirate costumes appear on the image search.]

[Laughter.]

Emily: They're pretty good, though.

Christian: Let's talk about that!

Emily: It's a pretty good cut.

Sage: No, this is great. This is good, I'm not complaining.

David: [laughs] Look at that guy!

Henry: Which one did you talk about, Greg?

Greg: I haven't brought up anything.

[Collective gasp.]

Emily: Gregory!

Jessica: Greg!

Greg: I was waiting patiently to be called on.

Sage: Greg...

Jessica: [sad] Oh, man.

Emily: Wow.

Sage: You just- here- here's the thing-

Greg: But, hey, we gotta cut the time. That's alright!

Sage: No! No, no, no!

Emily: Greg!

Greg: No, that's okay.

Emily: Greg! Tell us!

Henry: No, look we have- we have until 9:00.

Greg: I was just gonna talk about Rafael Sabatini.

Sage: Here's the thing, here's the thing- Greg!

Greg: Talk about Treasure Island.

Sage: Greg, you're usually, and this was no exception, so familiar with, like, pop culture *and* history [chuckles] that it just kinda felt like you knew everything. And at some point in time, you- some point in time, we did yours.

Jessica: It's like one of the ones- [chuckles]

[Chuckling.]

Sage: I just didn't even notice. Um, as your background, uh, foretells, you are also quite a scholar. Uh, I'm sure you have books. But what is your media pick? What is- what is the pirate thing that we are all forgetting?

Greg: Okay, well, if I can- if I can only drop *one*, I would say-

Emily: You can drop more than one.

Sage: Yeah, yeah, yeah.

Greg: Okay, I'm gonna drop a couple then.

Emily: I did.

[Jessica stifles laughter.]

Greg: Um, we got Errol Flynn.

Emily: Yeah!

Greg: He did the classic swashbuckling movies back in the black-and-white days.

Emily: Good mustache, good mustache.

Greg: The best of mustaches. One of my favorite books, um, he also did the movie of, and it's a really good adaptation, *Captain Blood*. Um, he's a, um, he's an Irish doctor, who gets caught up in, um, an- in an English war, that he had no business in, that he- he didn't wanna fight in. Um, but somebody brought their, uh, their wounded captain to him. And so he healed him up. And then the English, um, you know, said that he was a traitor, and they made him into a slave, and they shipped him off to the colonies. Um, and from there, he escaped bondage and became a captain and the- the scourge of the Spanish Empire. Um, and eventually, the English, you know, were like, uh...do you wanna be a privateer?

It's- it's a really great story. I highly recommend it.

Sage: You recommended the book to me. Is the movie...good?

Greg: The movie's great, too.

Sage: Okay. Nice.

Greg: Yeah. There's also, uh, there's, uh, *The Sea Hawk*. That's another great one.

[Greg holds up the book *The Sea Hawk* by Rafael Sabatini.]

Um, that one's-

Sage: [chuckles] Who needs Google when it's right in- right behind you.

Greg: Yeah. It's right there.

[Sage chuckles.]

Uh, that- that's about privateers-

Henry: Within arm's reach.

Greg: -who worked for Queen Elizabeth I. Um, tremendous, [Trump accent] huge work, great work, some of the best work.

[Stifled laughter.]

We all love books, don't we?

Jessica: Triggering. Triggering.

Greg: [Trump accent] Most cities have a library. I've been to the library before.

Sage: That's what you gotta run your presidential campaign on.

[Chuckling.]

Greg: So you got Rafa- Rafael Sabatini.

Sage: Yeah.

Greg: He's a great author. Um, he- he did, like, *The Lost King* and, uh, I think it's Balonty.

[**Fact Check:** *Bellarion the Fortunate* by Rafael Sabatini.]

Uh, it's- it's over there. It's an old hardcover, it's hard to see from here. But anyways, a lot of great pirate stories from- from Rafael.

He also did *Scaramouche*. It's not a pirate movie, but it's like a swashbuckling story about an, uh, improviser if I can say it. Like, early, like, Italian, like, theater comedy.

Jessica: [intrigued] Mm!

Greg: Comedy del arte or whatever.

Jessica: Co- yeah, commedia dell'arte

Emily: Commedia dell'arte.

Sage: How do you spell that?

Greg: Com- chlamydia dell'arte.

Jessica: Chlamy- [laughs]

Emily: [amused] Chlamydia dell'arte.

[Laughter.]

Henry: [amused] Chlamydia.

Greg: That's the one, that's the one.

Christian: Yeah!

Henry: [laughing] Chlamydia dell'arte.

Greg: Uh, there's also the, um... *Treasure Island*, the story.

Sage: Right, yeah. I mean, that's-

Greg: By Robert Louis Stevenson. It's where the PG pirate came from.

Sage: Yeah.

Jessica: [comprehension] Mm.

Sage: But to- ba- toba- To go back to what you were saying, Hendo, I mean, this is really... If you- if you're wondering-

Greg: That's the roots.

Sage: This is it.

Jessica: Oh, I remember that book cover. The first one you had up.

Sage: Yeah.

Henry: These were, like, the first PG pirates kinda thing?

Sage: I mean, this book is-

Emily: Yeah, where the murder was less like, uh-oh! And more like, these guys are so cool!

[Chuckling.]

Greg: It- it's-

Sage: Like, everything that we kind of attribute-

Henry: Yeah, we're like the heroes.

Sage: Everything we talked about tonight, like, that comes from fiction-

Henry: Mm-hmm.

Sage: Fictional pirates and fantasy pirates, nautical fantasy, swashbuckling, fancy, like, you kinda owe it to Treas- *Treasure Island*.

Henry: Cool, okay.

Sage: Obviously it came from lots of other stuff as well and just general legends and stuff, but, like, this was kinda like the-

Greg: But we wouldn't have *Pirates of the Caribbean* if it weren't for *Treasure Island*.

Sage: Yeah.

Henry: If it wasn't for *Treasure Island*.

Greg: We wouldn't have Talk Like A Pirate Day, if it wasn't for the Disney '50s movie *Treasure Island*, uh, with, uh, what's his name? I can't remember the name of the actor. Um, but he had a specific- I think it was a Cornish accent.

Henry: Mm-hmm.

Greg: And that's where the- the stereotypical, like, yarr, I'm a pirate! accent comes from.

Christian: Oh! I was...

Jessica: Oh.

Greg: It's from *him*.

Christian: 'Cause he- yeah. Long John Silver in that movie, I believe, is- uh, wait. [defeated]
Why don't you just watch the video on this?

[Chuckling.]

Greg: If you wanted to know what a pirate-

Jessica: Don't be so defeated, Christian!

[**Christian** makes sad noises and pokes his head.]

Stop it!

Christian: [mock sad] Recording and I can't even remember it.

Greg: Aw, Christian.

Jessica: [admonishing] Stop hitting your head!

Greg: You've been doing so good lately, Christian. Don't beat yourself up.

Jessica: [sympathetic] Christian.

Christian: [mock sad] Aw, man.

Greg: Tremendous progress. Huge progress.

Christian: Thank you, thank you. I always-

Sage: Does the- does the- the anime movie that, uh, we talked about earlier, *Treasure Planet*, does that take anything from this story?

Greg: Oh, it's 100% based off of-

Sage: It's just that but in space.

Greg: -*Treasure Island*.

David: Oh, yeah. It's just reskinned.

Emily: And *Muppet Treasure Island* is this but with Muppets.

Jessica: Yes.

Greg: Correct.

Sage: Yeah, that I knew. But, that- yeah, okay.

Henry: Awesome.

Emily: Yeah.

Greg: And this is- this is how you get, like, the- the PG pirates is it's about a kid going on an adventure with pirates.

Jessica: Ah.

Sage: Ah.

Greg: And so...

Henry: There you go.

Greg: You get- you get sorta, like, that- that perspective of it.

Emily: Child protagonist means it's the kids book, obviously.

Henry: Mm-hmm. Oh, yeah.

Greg: [stifles laughter] More or less. Maybe not by today's standards.

Emily: Just like all those horrifically depressing books that they made us read as children because there were child protagonists. [stifles laughter]

Henry: Mm.

Greg: [chuckles] Oh, another great one is *The Sea-Wolf*, um, by Jack London.

David: Oh, yeah, I'm reading that one right now.

Sage: David mentioned this one to me.

David: Yeah.

Greg: It takes place later. It takes place, I wanna say, in the early 1900s, maybe the late 1800s. Uh, so not, like, traditional pirate story, but it's about a guy in the Bay Area-

Jessica: [announcer voice] Oh! Bay Area!

Greg: Ooowaawaawaaa!

Sage: Bay Area!

Henry: Ooo, Bay Area pirates.

Greg: Who, um-

Sage: Christian, you weren't nearly loud enough for that.

[Laughter.]

Christian: I was thinking of what to say, that- I don't know.

Sage: [amused] We told you what to say!

Emily: Are you even *from* the Bay Area?! [chuckles]

Sage: We all said the same thing! [chuckles]

Christian: I'm still beating myself up from earlier! [mock sad] I'm not confident right now, guys!

Henry: Aw! Christian, no!

Jessica: Stop it, Christian! Christian!

Christian: Stupid! You should say something, Christian!

Greg: You could- you could still shake those dreads.

Christian: I should- I should've shake- I should've shown my dreads! [chuckles]

Sage: Good thing Kate isn't here. She would just be bullying you the whole thing. You wouldn't even say anything. [chuckles]

Christian: I know! Ah, shit! Go- ghost ride the whip!

[Laughter.]

Go dumb! Ivy? I'm in! [chuckles]

Sage: Alright. Uh...

Greg: Just this, just this.

[Chuckling.]

It's a- it's a story about a guy who's, um-

Jessica: Uh-oh. Pirates.

Greg: -who's on a ferry, um, in the Bay Area that wrecked, and he gets picked up by a ship. And they kinda force him to work for their ship.

Henry: Mm.

David: Press gang.

Greg: Yeah!

David: Yeah!

Sage: We gotta find a way to make a, up a pirate.
 [Chuckling.]
 Or maybe this- that was it. That was it. [chuckles] That was the joke.

Greg: That is a- that is a terrible- that is a terrible title for that book, that- the- use the papyrus there.
 [Chuckling.]

Sage: It looks so bad.

Greg: I don't approve.

Henry: [amused] Oh.

Sage: Right on. But, David, you're a fan of this one as well.

David: Yeah.

Sage: Did you read the whole thing? Or you're reading it now, you said?

David: Uh, well, I read it when I was in college. Uh, but it's a short book. You can get it- you can kill it in a couple of days. Um... Yeah, you should- Google, um... Just for me, just Google Bruce Campbell *King of Thieves*.
 [Chuckling.]

Emily: Important.

David: This is- this is- this is mad energy that I'm trying to channel. Uh, don't know if I'll have luck doing it, but the more I look at it, the better I'll be.
 [Several images of Bruce Campbell in the movie *The King of Thieves* appear from the online search.]
 Yeah!

Sage: So what is- what is this?

Emily: [whispers, impressed] Yeah.

David: He's a- he's a scallywag. That's Bruce Campbell.

Jessica: [snickers] Okay, Em. [laughs]

Christian: Oh, yes.

Henry: Ooo.

David: He's a- he's the king of thieves.

Emily: That's what I look like with a mustache and a soul patch. I look just like that.
 [Chuckling.]

David: Yeah. Exactly.

Henry: Damn.

Emily: [amused] It's like looking in a mirror.

Greg: I'd like to be trapped in a cabin in the woods with him.

[Chuckling.]

David: Heyo!

Sage: Trapped, you say? [chuckles]

Greg: *Evil Dead*? Anybody?

David: Yeah.

Christian: No, I got it. I got it.

Emily: Yes. Yeah, yeah, yeah.

Greg: Okay, okay.

Henry: Mm-hmm.

Sage: Yeah, I'm just an idiot. So...

[**Christian** laughs.]

Emily: [impressed] Uck. God, I love the mustache.

Henry: Yeah, I'm loving this.

David: Yeah.

Emily: This is...

Greg: What is this?

Sage: [chuckles] Are we just-

David: What don't you understand, *Sage*?

Sage: The- when you say- when you say "for me", David-

David: He's the *King of Thieves*.

Sage: Okay. Fair enough.

David: [loud] The *King*!

Emily: David wants to be the king of thieves.

[Chuckling.]

Christian: Wait, go to the one right of that. He looks like Dr. Strange.

[Laughter.]

Yo!

Greg: If- if he's the king of thieves-

David: Yeah, they totally ripped him off. They totally ripped him off. I don't know why.

Sage: [amused] Looks fuckin' just like...

David: They- daylight robbery.

Greg: If he's the king of thieves, is Kevin Costner his son?

[**Christian** chuckles.]

David: I suppose so. I suppose so. [chuckles] Science doesn't have an answer to everything. But you know...

Jessica: Has anybody watched *One Piece*?

Sage: That- I knew there was one big one we were forgetting!

Christian: Oh! A few episodes.

Jessica: Yeah.

Sage: Thank you, Jess.

Henry: I was- I was thinking of doing it *One Piece*, but...

Jessica: Yeah! Who-

Henry: I wasn't- I haven't- I haven't *One Pieced* enough.

Christian: Well-

Jessica: Well, who ca- who can? You know?

Christian: There's so many- wha- there's, like, how many episodes? Thousands?

Henry: Yeah, there's a lot of them. There's 1,000 episodes.

Sage: This is the longest-running anime ever!

Christian: That's what it is.

Sage: There are almost 1,000 episodes of this. As of now, there are...900 and...fuckin'...

[**Jessica** chuckles.]

Too many!

David: How many volumes is it?

Sage: Oh, I'm talking about the anime. But, yeah, the- the manga- the manga's even more.

Christian: Jeez. 1999.

David: Yeah.

Henry: Yeah, the manga's a lot.

Greg: It's tremendous.

Jessica: Oh, yeah, you read the manga. Right, Hendo?

Emily: This is...

Henry: Yeah, I'm- I'm reading the manga. And, yeah, it's got 1,037 chapters.

Christian: Jeez. Is there a lot of fillers with this?

Sage: I know.

Henry: Not with the manga.

Sage: Okay, I misspoke. I misspoke, for all the fact-checkers out there who I'm sh- I'm- da- if we have Pokémon fans in our audience, we definitely have at least a couple One Piece fans. It's not the longest-running anime.

Christian: What is?

Sage: It's actually in 17th place.

Jessica: Oh!

Sage: With 1,000-

Christian: I feel like *Naruto* beats it.

Greg: Wow.

Sage: With 1,007 episodes.

Christian: Wow.

[**Jessica** claps.]

Greg: Wow.

Jessica: Round of applause for *One Piece*.

Sage: Yeah.

Henry: *Naruto's* got a lot, yeah.

Christian: Yeah, it's-

Sage: Is that still running?

Henry: Yeah, they got *Boruto*.

Christian: Yeah, if you include all the different, like, uh, like, what, like, *Shippuden* and *Boruto*.

Henry: Yeah, but do they count, though? I mean, and then there's a lot- there's a lot of different *Dragon Ball Z's*, right?

Christian: Yeah.

Sage: Yeah, but *Dragon Ball Z* stopped a lot. Um...

Henry: Yeah. Wait, so what- what is the most? What is the longest one, if it's not *One Piece*?

Sage: Oh. Uh-

Christian: There's something called, like, Sazae-san.

Sage: Yeah.

Henry: Sazae-san?

Sage: I have never heard of this. But...

Christian: I don't know. That's an anime?

Sage: [chuckles] I guess so.

Christian: That looks like a- a granola bar. What is that?

[Chuckling.]

Emily: Just a little person on a horse.

Jessica: It's two little people on a horse.

Emily: I'm sorry, it's the wonderful world of Sazae-san.

Christian: Oh! So there's a lot of words that they just omitted. Okay.

Sage: Yeah, okay.

Greg: So I thought of a- I thought of another pirate that everybody should be familiar with.

Jessica: Ooo!

Emily: Yeah?

Henry: Mm?

Greg: That we haven't brought up. We haven't even touched on this. The Dread Pirate Roberts.

Emily: Oh!

Henry: I'm familiar- the- I remember the name.

Emily: I can't believe we missed that! No, that's true.

Greg: *Princess Bride.*

Emily: *Princess Bride!*

Jessica: Oh.

Sage: Yeah. Yeah.

Christian: Oh!

Henry: Oh!

[Greg laughs.]

Emily: Look at him!

Sage: Kind- eh- neh, you know. The movie itself doesn't-

Greg: What?!

Sage: No, I mean, he's-

Jessica: What?!

Sage: He's a pirate!

Greg: You don't count. You've seen, like, 12 movies.

Sage: [laughs] This is one of them!

[Laughter.]

This is one of the 12!

Emily: [amused] Fuck. That was harsh.

[Laughter.]

Sage: But I'm just saying that this movie doesn't have much pirtatey stuff in it. And he-

Emily: He- he's not actively pirating-

Sage: Yeah, yeah, yeah.

Emily: -but it's very integral to the plot.

Sage: Yes, yes, yes.

Greg: Mm-hmm.

Sage: It's true.

Jessica: We haven't been brought up *Pirates of Penzance* or whatever.

Christian: Oh yeah.

Emily: For a good reason. [chuckles]

Greg: Oh! I saw that, and I had a great time.

[**Jessica** chuckles.]

Emily: I'm so happy for you.

Greg: [laughs] Thank you!

Henry: What's *The Pirates of Penzance*?

Jessica: The- it's a musical.

[Various images from *The Pirates of Penzance* appear on the image search.]

Henry: Oh, is this it?

Christian: Yeah.

Jessica: Oh.

Emily: Oh! Another pirate musical based on a book, uh, that we also haven't discussed is *Peter and the Starcatcher*, which is Peter Pan adjacent. But it was a series of books that were much darker, focused a lot on the pirate stuff.

Sage: Yeah. I've heard of this one.

Emily: And then they did a musical, which is also very pirate-forward, um, which is a lot of fun, actually.

Jessica: [intrigued] Mm.

Emily: It's a very popular school production because it's not...raunchy.

Christian: Ah.

Sage: Yeah.

Greg: Unlike Peter Pan.

[Chuckling.]

Henry: [amused] Unlike Peter Pan.

Emily: Yeah. Unlike *Peter Pan the Musical*, yeah.

Sage: The one thing-

Emily: Cathy Rigby just out there, fuckin'...

Greg: [giggles] Fuckin'!

Sage: Before we- before we let it get lost, the one thing I do wanna say about *One Piece*, uh, Jess and I did watch the first episode of the- the dub that was just on Netflix. I don't know if it was multiple dubs.

Henry: [scoffs] Dub? Yuck.

Sage: This- I've honestly, like, been- this- the-
[**Jessica** chuckles.]

Henry: Disgusting.

Sage: Okay, my- my philosophy about dubs. You wanna get into this, Hendo? I'll do it.

Henry: No, there's a lot of great dubs.

Sage: It's an animated series. I wanna appreciate the artwork. I know it's economic animation.

Emily: Oh, I thought you meant the bird. I was like, what'd the bird do to you? [chuckles]
[**Henry** laughs.]

Sage: I can't-

Greg: Is there bird in the dub?

Sage: I can't do subs with the- with cartoons and anime 'cause it- then I'm not appreciating-

Greg: Too much going on?

Sage: -the art. I'm reading.

Emily: Read faster.

Henry: I don't know, I feel like you get used to it. Like, you just get used to-

Christian: You have two eyes, man!
[Chuckling.]
One eye on the words, the other eye on the artwork! Dude!
[**Sage** does his best to move one eye up and one eye down, failing comically.]
[Chuckling.]

Jessica: Hey! It- I don't read very fast sometimes. And I also need captions.

Sage: 'Cause sometimes these action sequences, you know, you'll have like 15 minutes of them, like, literally with, like, three frames talking. But then you have this insanely detailed, fluid, colorful, wonderful, fucking insane action sequence. I don't need subtitles getting in the way of that. That's just me.

Christian: But how many- how much subtitles are showing during an action-

Emily: He- yeah, how much dialogue is happening during that?

Greg: Tapestry movement.

Henry: How much are they talking?

Jessica: Yeah, it's just like- just like-

Sage: [loud] In anime?! A lot! In anime?

Emily: Yeah, but it's mostly just, huwaha! Uwa! Uuuwaaah!

Christian: No, real quick-

Henry: It depends on the anime.

Sage: No, no! More like, [shouts] 20,000 years ago, I saw and I knew on the prophecy of the one piece and I was gonna die- I'm gonna be the pirate- they always have a whole monologue. Like-

Christian: But he's standing still when he does that!

[Chuckling.]

Sage: Not always! Not always! [chuckles]

Christian: This is one episode of any anime.

Sage: In DBZ, yes.

Christian: Two- 20 minutes of them looking at each other breaking down, like, okay, man. Opponent is behind the tree. [chuckles]

[Chuckling.]

Jessica: And the ground- the ground is just slowly rumbling.

Henry: Yes, I love it! Ah! I love it!

Christian: Yeah! Yeah!

Jessica: That's it.

Christian: And then, like, half of the episode is a flashback that we first saw in the *last* episode, because that's what was happening currently. And then the last three minutes is when the characters finally move. And then right before they actually land a punch on each other, it goes like, boom, on ne- the next time on *Dragonball Z*.

[Laughter.]

[Greg hums a few notes from the *Dragonball Z* theme song.]

It just like, okay! I don't know what the hell happened. I have a problem- I have a love-hate relationship with certain animes because they know what they're doing. They're saving money for the studio. And they're just blue balling us so that we can *keep* watching week after week. And that's why I like binging.

Sage: [amused] Forever and ever and ever.

Jessica: But also in this-

Christian: [amused] Forever and ever. Amen.

Jessica: They- they-

Sage: It's still going! I remember when this was new to- to Western audiences. Like, it was just recently dubbed. [chuckles] And to think that it's still going!

[Laughter.]

Greg: Hey, you know what? There was an anime where the dub was better than the original, and that's *Samurai Pizza Cats*.

Sage: I was gonna say Cowboy Bebop. But...

Henry: Samurai Pizza Cats?

Sage: Uh, what's cowboy- what's- what is

Greg: Yeah. It's because they didn't have the actual script and so they had to create their own.

Henry: Oh, whoa.

Sage: Is this a real thing?

David: Oh yeah.

Greg: Yeah, baby.

Sage: Huh.

Henry: Maybe? [chuckles]

Sage: David, are you fa-

Greg: It's on Peacock.

David: So-

Sage: You familiar, David?

David: Also, *Ghost Stories* is another example of the dub being arguably better than the original.

Greg: Or *Dragonball Z* with the ocean dub.

David: Yeah.

Sage: You think the ocean dub's the be-

Greg: Good old Canadian voice cast.

Sage: No. Not ocean.

Greg: [Canadian accent] What are you talking about?

[Chuckling.]

David: Also, there's a dub of *Akira* that is- came before the one that most people watch that's, like, way clownier.

Henry: Cursed, yeah.

Henry: It's like almost unlistenable. [chuckles]
[Chuckling.]

Sage: Uh, the thing that- the thing that I didn't get to say-

Emily: Why are there so many pictures of Taika Waititi?

Christian: [amused] I don't know. I'm curious why *Akira* and Taika-

Emily: Is he making-

Sage: The thing that I didn't get to say about *One Piece* is I remember loving it when I was younger, and I watched, like, the first season, um, and I had a great time.
And I rewatched it recently, the first episode only with Jess, and I'm like, I'm done. [chuckles] I'm exhausted. I'm sure it gets better. But like, I was just like, I can't- I can't handle it. It's like, it's great.
[Jessica's jaw drops.]

Greg: Jess, you look so mad.

Sage: I love- I love- I've- I love the lore of this world. But, like, the tone and, like, how *wacky* it is... I don't know. I don't think I can last 100 episodes, let alone 1,000. [chuckles]

Jessica: They kept re-

Greg: Well, you-

Henry: Whoa, watch it.

Jessica: Well, I ke- I was tryin'a say- well, you mean you're trying to appreciate the art. But in this episode, they were reusing some frames...a lot.

Jessica: Oh. Oh, yeah, of course.

Christian: Yup. Yup!

Henry: Mm.

Sage: And they would have, um, they would have lots of shots of them talking, uh, with their backs faced to the camera-

Christian: Yup!

Sage: So they didn't have to do the lip-syncing.

Christian: Meaning that they didn't even want to take the time to show the face, which is all stagnant except for the mouth!

Sage: It's not they didn't *want* to. They just *weren't* going to spend that money.
[Jessica chuckles.]

Christian: Uck. Gosh, man. But I love anime so much.

Henry: Yeah. I love anime too.

Sage: Yeah.

Christian: Yeah. Um-

David: I'm only, um-

Greg: Anime loves you guys.
[Chuckling.]

David: Emily, if you like girl pirates, I'm putting a girl pirate book in the chat you should read. It's really good.

Sage: What is it, David.

Emily: A girl pirate book?

Jessica: If she hasn't already.

David: It's literally just called *Pirates!* [stifles laughter]

Sage: Oh. [chuckles]
[Chuckling.]

Emily: Oh, I have to have a cock be David's fuckin' link. Come on, Grandpa. Is this is a PDF? Oh, no, it's good. *Pirates!*
[Chuckling.]

Oh, *Pirates!* with an exclamation point. Feel like that's important to note.

David: Oh, yeah. Pirates! Yeah.

Sage: Mm.

Emily: It's not- it's not pirates. Its *Pirates!* [chuckles]
[Chuckling.]

Christian: Yeah, like-

Sage: There's- there's a lot of media that just went with that. Just pirates.

Emily: Oh. Wait, no, I have read this.

David: Word.

Emily: Like, a while ago. Maybe I'll read it again. I also remembered a couple other pieces of pirate media. [chuckles]
[Jessica chuckles.]

Uh, one-

Sage: Alright, last- last call everybody. Last- last haul.

Henry: I wanna hear 'em.

Emily: Okay. *Assassin's Creed: Black Flag*.

Sage: That was the one I was gonna mention earlier.

Henry: Oh! That's a good one.

Emily: Yeah, I feel like that's important. And in the video games here, *Pirates Online*. How could we ever forget?

Christian: Oh.

Henry: I Did forget about *Pirates Online* for a second.

Emily: Yeah. Damnit. [chuckles]

Sage: I haven't played *Black Flag* yet. I started it. I've owned it for, like, eight years. But I haven't had a chance to go back to it. This is the last Assassin's Creed game. I played.

Henry: Oh, it's awesome.

Sage: And I didn't beat it. And I plan on playing it, um, very soon. But I need to beat *DOOM Eternal* first. [chuckles]

David: You also need to play *Monkey Island*.

Sage: I also need to play *Monkey Island*. And- oh, I found out- I already mentioned this, but just in case, I found out not only that I worked for Telltale, which was had a bunch of devs that worked on *Monkey Island*, but now work for- for Axis and Sid Meier also has *Sid Meier's Pirates*, which is the other, like, big pirate game that everybody talks about.

I didn't actually play it, but I have-

Emily: But we could.

Sage: I am overwhelmed with how much pirate media I need to catch up on.

David: Yeah, I mean, if you get stuck-

Christian: It's a lot.

David: If- if you get stuck on a puzzle in monk- in any of the *Monkey Island* games, just ask your coworkers.

Sage: [chuckles] Well, they're all- I don't know if you remember what happened to Telltale, David, but-

Jessica: Oh my god! I remember seeing this- I never played this video game, but that cover.

Christian: Yeah.

Jessica: Uh, I remember seeing that, like, at Target or whatever.

Christian: Yeah.

Sage: It's considered a classic.

Jessica: When I would go get my *SIMS* collections.

David: Also, uh, *Pirates! Gold* for the N64.

Sage: Never heard of that one.

David: Well, it was ported to a bunch of different systems.

Sage: Mm.

David: Yeah!

Sage: [stifles laughter] Was this the map? Wow, beautiful.

David: That's a *part* of the map.

Sage: Oh.

David: You get the entire Caribbean.

Sage: That's pretty cool. Was there another one that you mentioned, Em?

Emily: Yes. *Pirates Online*, which was the Pirates of the Caribbean, uh, like, online.

Christian: Oh! I remember when they came out with this!

Sage: I didn't know they had this.

Emily: Video game.

Christian: I- I think I got as far as creating my character.

[Chuckling.]

Sage: As most of us do with an MMO.

[Laughter.]

Greg: It's an MMO?

Christian: Spend more time creating my character than I, like, play it. I'm just-

Sage: If you- if you've actually play an MMO beyond the tutorial area, you beat the game. Like, that is an achievement in itself.

[Chuckling.]

Emily: Legally, you've beaten the game.

Sage: Yeah.

Christian: Okay, I'm gonna be honest, I think, um... I'm- this is just gonna make me less appealing and less desirable to anyone because, like, of how deep of a cut this is.

Jessica: Wha- stop it, Christian! Stop it, Christian!

Christian: But I spent a fair amount of time playing this Korean MMO RPG known as *Maplestory* where everyone has big-ass heads.

Sage: [excited] *Maplestory*!

Christian: And this is such a deep-ass cuts.

Henry: Oh, *Maplestory*.

Sage: No, dude, it's not that deep. *Maplestory* was huge!

Christian: Well, I'm bringing it-

Henry: Yeah, dude. I think you just became *way* more attractive to a lot of people.

[**Jessica** chuckles.]

Christian: I'm specifically bringing it up because my favorite class on there was a newer class known as the pirate class.

Sage: Was pirates! They added pirates!

Christian: Yeah, dude!

Sage: There- it was a big deal 'cause they only had the warrior, the rogue, and the- and the mage.

Christian: [amused] I- I love you. [chuckles]

Jessica: [chuckles] Hey, now. Hey, now.

[Christian laughs.]

Sage: And then- and then- and that was just that for so long. And then-

Christian: Yeah!

Sage: -what's the new class gonna be? They're gonna add a new class! And it was fuckin' pirates! And you can-

Christian: You're basically talking dirty to me right now.

[Laughter.]

Sage: You- you have a choice!

Christian: Come on. Keep goin', daddy. Alright.

Sage: You could be pirates- you could be- you could be a pirate with guns or a pirate with swords!

Christian: Yeah! I- I was a pirate with the guns. And, like, I think there's a skill where, I don't know how it's physically possible with these small little avatars, but I was holding a cannon. And you're just bringing it out of nowhere.

Emily: Nice.

Christian: And it is wh- Yes! Look at those big heads. They're- they're-

Sage: And they were good. They were good.

Christian: They're really good.

Sage: Yeah.

Christian: I mean, look at these children avatars putting themselves in danger.

Sage: Here's an actual screenshot of the game. Uh...

Jessica: Christian, I can already hear people messaging on the Patreon being like, oh my god, that Christian? Oh. I'm so turned on right now.

[Chuckling.]

Christian: So turned on. He likes Korean MMOs. [chuckles]

Sage: I hope that's- don't! Do- you're not allowed to message to any of us saying that. [chuckles]

[Laughter.]

Greg: Listen to him. Listen to Sage describe a game. Oh.

[**Greg** fans himself. Chuckling.]

Christian: Oh my gosh! Waterfalls!

Emily: Hot!

[Chuckling.]

Did you flood your basement?

Christian: Oopsies!

Sage: And on that note... [chuckles]

[Laughter.]

Greg: Well, I got one more!

Jessica: Oh no!

Sage: Oh, last call!

Greg: I'm tryin'a get in there, man! I'm just...get up in here.

Emily: Is it the Pirate Bay. Sorry. [chuckles] Should I mention that here?

[Chuckling.]

Greg: No, but I love that reference on the map, by the way.

Sage: More to it later. [chuckles]

Greg: But *The Seven Seas* by Rudyard Kipling, it's a collection of poetry about the ocean.

Sage: What was the name of the...

Emily: Rudyard Kipling.

Greg: Rudyard Kipling.

Sage: Rudyard?

Emily: R-U-D-Y...

Greg: Uh, R- yeah. Yup, she's got it.

Emily: Yeah.

Sage: Oh. Nice.

Emily: Very famous poet.

Sage: Oh, wow. Is this an- is this in a museum? [chuckles]

Greg: He- [chuckles] You can- like, I found a copy for like 50 cents.

Christian: Whoa.

Greg: You can, uh, he- he wrote, um-

Sage: I do like it. The more I look at the cover, actually.

Emily: That look likes it says The Seven Peas.

[Jessica chuckles.]

Greg: Uh, King Solomon's Mind and, uh...

Jessica: It does.

Greg: Do you remember *The League of Extraordinary Gentlemen*?

Christian: Oh, with [Connery accent] Sean Connery.

Greg: He- Sean Connery's-

[Laughter.]

Jessica: Wait, with who?

[Laughter.]

Greg: Yes. With Sean Connery. Sean Connery's character-

Christian: With Sean- no, no. Don't make me do an impression again.

Emily: Do it again, do it again, do it again!

Christian: [Connery accent] Sean Connery. [laughs]

Jessica: Yeah, okay.

[Chuckling.]

Greg: So Sean Connery's character was from a Rudyard Kipling book. Alan Quartermaine.

Sage: Nice.

Christian: Oh. So- whoa.

Greg: Yeah.

Christian: I- no, I like this cover.

Greg: But it's- it's really great. And it's- it's so old that you can read it online for free. It's in the public domain. Ah?

Emily: Ho-oh-ho.

Henry: I'm gonna see if it is now.

Sage: [amused] Good.

Greg: And, uh, just, you know, just check out a couple of the poems. They're great.

Jessica: Mm.

Sage: Will do.

Henry: Will do.

Greg: Just about- like, ah, the- the ocean is so dope. Y'all should check it out. Catch me out there on the- on the waves.

[Chuckling.]

Rudyard.

Henry: Yeah, on the high seas.

Sage: Hell yeah, dude. You know, that's my favorite thing about talking about this shit with you, Greg, you know, all the popular things *and* all the things nobody's heard of.
[chuckles]

Greg: [chuckles] These were popular back in the 1800s!

Sage: [amused] Okay, yeah.

[Chuckling.]

David: Me and Greg was born.

Sage: Well, that was really fun, everybody.

Christian: That was dope.

Sage: Thank you for doing this. And we're going to use all this inspiration, one of the- one of the most populous, uh, popular genres in the history of fiction, and we're going to tell our own story. More on that in the Session Zero.

Greg: [crosses fingers] We'll see.

Sage: Any last words?

Emily: Ahoy?

Jessica: Ah! Avast me hearties! I love you.

[Chuckling.]

Henry: Toodle-oo!

Christian: [pirate accent] Avast- [normal] I'm- I don't wanna try it. I'm insecure right now.

Sage: Is that your character, Chris-

Emily: Come on, Christian! You got this!

Christian: I'm insecure! I don't know!

Jessica: Believe in yourself!

Christian: Just say bye! Ahh!

Emily: Give us a full-throated ahoy!

Henry: We love you, Christian!

Christian: I love you guys too.

Henry: You're a fan favorite.

Christian: This is all- no! We don't know that! They- I don't know-

[Laughter.]

We don't know that!

Sage: We're declaring it now.

Greg: Oh, it's true. It's true.

Henry: Well, I- you're my- [chuckles] you're *my* fan favorite.

[Chuckling.]

[Podcast ending music fades in.]

Christian: You should see my body- like, my body language right here.

Jessica: You're just shivering.

Greg: You should see my body! [chuckles]

Christian: I know I look confident up here, but my lower body...

Sage: You should- [chuckles]

Emily: [amused] Chill.

Sage: [amused] Christian, don't! They're gonna send those messages if we keep that on the stream.

[**Christian** laughs.]

Henry: His legs.

Sage: Stop!

Emily: Send your messages to Sage about Christian.

Sage: No flashing your titties to the audience! No flashing your titties to confuse the audience.

[**Christian** rubs his chest with his tongue out.]

[Chuckling.]

Greg: If you try to rob Christian, he said he'll flash you.

[Laughter.]

Emily: [laughing] He'll flash you if you rob him!

Greg: If I was a Pokémon, that's my first move before Tackle, is Titty Flash. [laughs]

[Laughter.]

[Podcast ending music crescendos and fades out.]