## Don't Blame Me Season 6, Episode 25

### Call 1:

Hi Melisa and Meghan, so I love the podcast this is just I'll get right into this cuz there's kind of a lot to say about it and so my parents are split up since I was younger and ever since I was younger my dad would kind of come over on some weekends and stay with us but he didn't kind of he would just kind of ruin the whole vibe like they would just like argue over the weekends and then he'd come and direct his anger on to us and he's also a bit of an alcoholic so he would just drink every single night and then he didn't really do anything fun with us because he's mainly be like hungover and then he just go and like hang out in the stable with horses and he didn't really make an effort to keep up-to-date with us and see how we're doing with school and everything he's kind of get that information from my mom, and then as I kind of grew up and like realized how sort of scummy he was and I can stopped putting in effort on my part because there was kind of no point and then I think the last straw for me was when I was moving out of my home when I was like 18 and I was moving to a city because I was a student and all that stuff. So I bought a phone but I couldn't afford to get a phone plan and I knew he was kind of rich so I was like can you help me out with this and he was like no no no, I'm too poor I can't pay \$20 a month for your SIM card, I just can't afford it. And I was like okay fine I guess I can skip food shopping for a week and get a fucking phone plan or whatever, and then literally the next weekend he bought a \$30,000 yachtt even though he doesn't like go sailing or anything, it just sits at the harbor. And then after that I kind of stopped replying to him and then he told everyone that he knew and everyone in our family that I'd blocked him and put in the effort and just like playing the victim when I don't really do that so I just he just didn't call or text or anything but it's so he just thought that I blocked him. And then after 2 years of moving out I was like I'm going to go traveling, and so I left in December last year and I'm still out now, and my mom started to feel bad for him I'm thinking that I'm being a bit over dramatic and she feels sorry for him now but he just never messages me or anything so when I suppose he can't cause he's blocked but what do you guys think about situation, do you think I'm being overdramatic? Do you think I should try to make amends? And before I left he didn't make an effort at all. But anyway, love the podcast. Bye guys.

#### Call 2:

Hi Meghan and Melisa I love the podcast. Recently my ex-boyfriend like 6 years from when I was fifteen, we dated for about two months, has been messaging me a lot and I think it's the most likely because of lockdown but essentially like when we broke up, it was done like I went a little bit emo for a few weeks but we weren't really friends or anything and we didn't talk to each other for about three years. On my 18th birthday he reached out to me and wished me happy birthday and we started talking and I sort of weirdly enough helped him through his latest break up at the time and he's not the most mentally stable person he's told me a few times about his experiences with depression and anxiety so I was there for him as much as I could be but obviously like I didn't really want to pursue any sort of friendship or anything like that with him because it's just not on my mind and recently he's reached out again and weirdly enough has told me about his new latest break up which was odd and I tried to be nice to him because I don't want him to feel like he's stupid for reaching out to someone if you're in a dark place obviously it's important to have a support system but I just don't think that's my role in his life I have been in a relationship for 2 years with another guy and it's been making him uncomfortable and he feels like my ex from the age of fifteen has been overstepping his boundaries in the situation and shouldn't be asking me to go on COVID safe walks with him and things like that and I just don't really know how to shut it down this time is the third time that he's reached out to me in like 2 weeks I don't really know what to do I've been pretty nice but yeah it's kind of kind of uncomfortable.

#### Call 3:

Hey Meghan and Melisa, love the podcast I'm 25 Taurus from the South and I'm an African American woman. So I really don't know why I'm calling because the situation already happened and I don't really know what I'm looking for but I guess validation or what you think I should do I don't know I'm an empath

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so I like feel things even when I shouldn't but so I was really close friends with this girl she used to be my best friend we met and we both worked retail at the time we bonded really quickly because we're fangirls of the same things it was a fast relationship and it was great especially because I didn't have that many friends at the time and she filled a void I guess. So she is also a Republican and a staunch supporter of Trump like her personality trait is Trump and I live in the South so very common people drive around with pickup trucks with huge Trump flags and Confederate flags on the bee of their trucks and it's just par for the course here. I hate it here. So she's also the kind of personality that's like whatever I post on Facebook don't comment on it if you're Democrat I'm going to delete your comment whatever whatever so she's always been like that, I've never said anything which is on me it's my fault as an African American person especially being her quote-unquote best friend I should have said stuff right whenever she would say something ignorant but I didn't and that's an area of growth that I've had over the last few years so when the most recent looting started happening she took personal offense because she worked at a place that was looted here where we live we have the same it's a huge chain and she just kept calling these people thugs and animals and I took offense to it so long story short we exchanged words on Facebook then we took it to text. I said my piece I said how I feel like she completely invalidates me and my feelings and long story short we just kind of agreed to disagree which what? and we just called it a night with the texting. So she texted her other friend who is also a Black woman and said that I was attacking her and then she also goes on a rampage saying how "Blacks" right, like "coloreds," like what even - bring things upon ourselves and that Jewish people have it worse and you'll see them complaining or Irish people complaining and we are we make ourselves look bad and not all police officers are bad in this that and the other and she didn't say this to me cuz if she did I would have absolutely hurt her feelings because I'm a very loud person about my beliefs and stuff especially now because I haven't been. Growing up in a mainly white place being one of the only ethnic people, I I that's a whole other story I don't know you guys like should I not have a sober not friends anymore like her family called me ignorant which that joke right to sound selfish but I don't know, was I in the wrong? should I not have done that? Should I have done better? I just, I know you guys are similar to me so I don't know what I want I just don't know.

#### Call 4:

Hi, so I'm a long time listener. I'm a Cancer by the way. So basically what happened is that I met this guy on Bumble and I you know invited him over and started seeing him. We slept together you know, but like I developed feelings he told me he developed feelings. But you know as he like as we our relationship progressed that I you know, just introduced him to my roommates because it just - they were around he was around, you know, I'm a polite person he really started, you know, liking hanging out with one of my particular roommates and I was just like, oh, you know, whatever they're friends would mean they just became friends. So I want to say last week. He convinced my roommate to break up with her current boyfriend and start dating him. So he basically texted me this long text being like hey, I don't want to date you cuz you have like too many problems and a lot of things going on in your life, which is true, but still kind of fucked-up to say and then the next night she spends the night at his place and text me this long text being like hey, you know, we're dating. I'm sorry. It had to happen this way and I was like cool like I'm not friends with people who hurt me like this and she's just like, yeah, I'm sorry you feel that way so literally like I just don't know what to do. She's my roommate. Like literally, I'm not over this guy but like I'm trying to get over him I couldn't care less but literally like I'm so pissed off at my like the girl whose my roommate was supposed to be my friend and I know like don't live with friends like whatever. I can't financially leave the situation until May so I kind of thought that I don't know what to do.

### Don't Blame Them:

Hello, so I'm calling in for a Don't Blame Them from your most recent episode of season 6 episode 20 where the girl found out from some friends that her ex-boyfriend who she had sus feelings about had a

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baby with a previous girlfriend. So just want to say hey, I've been in that situation and I was exactly your age. I was 22 and I had been dating this guy. He was like my first serious boyfriend. You know he can but he was constantly cheating on me and he was, eventually we broke up like for good and had a couple of years later. I got a picture sent from a good friend of mine and she basically said the same thing that your friends did I love you know. Hey, like do you still follow him on Insta? And I was just like no, like why what's up? And he had gotten engaged to the girl that he had cheated on me with. And I mean I was completely over him. I had no feelings left for him. But like I you know was Meghan said it was like a weird mood like my heart's still hurts and I think the reason why is because um, You know, we he and I had planned our life together, you know, and that was you know supposed to be the ring on my finger, you know, I was supposed to be on those photos and then you know, seven months later after they were engaged out came a baby surprise surprise and then you know the pain, you know, I don't even know what I call it pain, but you know, it was just weird mood and I you know, I was completely over him had no more feelings, but I just still felt a little hurt by it just because you know, as I said earlier, you know, it was supposed to be him and I but I think what else you got through it, and honestly I haven't thought about this until I listened to your call was that we dodged a bullet here girl. Like we dodged a fucking bullet. These guys are trash, right? We dodged a bullet, we stuck with our gut feelings. We broke up with them for a reason and thank god! All right anyways, bye!