

## Don't Blame Me Call Transcriptions Season 7 Episode 26

### Call 1:

Hey Meghan and Melisa, My name is Alicia and I'm a Pisces from Canada, who uses she/her pronouns. I should also mention that I am actively working through this in therapy, but wanted kind of a second opinion as I don't have very many good friends. So now that's out of the way; I'm having trouble figuring out if I want to be in my 4-year relationship still or if it is the pandemic fatigue affecting my brain in some weird way. Anyway, I don't think I want to be in a relationship anymore. Or any relationship at all. To keep it short, my boyfriend and I have been dating for almost 4 years. I got into the relationship when I was young and a lot different than I am now, so throughout the 4 years, and especially through the past one, I have grown personally and I've changed a lot, like I'm not the same person as I was, even at the beginning of the pandemic. But, I just feel he hasn't and I don't blame him for that, I just think I'm stuck in a classic case of "it's not you it's me." I say this because as I've been changing in the past year a lot of it was discovering my sexuality to find that I'm not fully straight, and I think I want to work towards figuring that part of myself out. That's actually most of it, I just feel that since I got into this relationship so young that I didn't expect it to go this far, I thought it was gonna be a three month thing and then we would break up, and now I feel kind of stuck. Now it may sound like I know what I want to do already, but the thing is he is so good with me and I'm comfortable and I love him and don't want to hurt him if I don't have to. I have also discussed my feelings with him and he seemed okay about it, but I just get the feeling he thinks this is a kind of phase so I don't know what to do about that. I also see myself living happily with him in the future. Like there's a version of me that could see being with him. I feel like I'm being torn between two situations with equal pros/cons. On one hand, once everything calms down a little, I could be totally happy with him but on the other, girls. So, yeah. I'm also just very stressed right now as I work at a very very busy coffee place, facing the public every day, and people are rude all day long, and I can't afford to not work and I've been doing this since the beginning of all this, and it's just getting hard to stay motivated, so maybe all these feelings are made up in my brain, and you never know. I hope this is enough information, and I know I talk kind of fast sometimes so sorry about that. Anyways, I'm open to any advice or thoughts you may have, and maybe it can help me finally make a decision. So. Thank you!

### Call 2:

Hi Meghan and Melisa, I'm twenty-four years old, my pronouns are she/her, I'm a Scorpio, but I promised I am a nice Scorpio. So I kind of a unique sort of really embarrassing situation. So I feel like the only people I could call was the both of you. So I have a friends-with-benefits and his pronouns are he/him and we're both vaccinated and it's totally fine good great amazing. But recently when I've been going over I like get these like itchy patches or like bumps on my skin. So at first because just like on my thighs I like thought it was just from like chafing from like sex or whatever. So I kind of just like brushed it off because I have sensitive skin, but when I stayed over for like the whole weekend, I got one like Saturday morning on my arm and was like what the fuck and then a week went by and I stayed over for just like a night and when I was driving home I got two little bumps like on the inside of my knee so very confused cuz like that could also be from sex. I don't know and I'm not sure if it's his sheets or maybe his body wash cuz sometimes I forget my body wash but I never like forget my shampoo or like conditioner and stuff. So I know I should probably go see a doctor at this point, but I honestly don't know how to bring it up to him without like hurting his feelings or saying like, I think you have bed bugs or like something dumb like that. I don't even know so should I even bring it up before like talking to my doctor or like I don't know we've been friends for a while, but we started hooking up like before the pandemic at like parties and like stuff and whatever but once we both got vaccinated it's when it's sort of like a regular thing. So, I don't know, but any advice would be greatly appreciated. I'm just like really embarrassed and I don't like want to hurt anybody's feelings, but yeah, so thanks so much. Bye.

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### Call 3:

Hi Melisa, hi Meghan. I'm 22. I'm a sagittarius and my pronouns she/her. So I am actually I'm getting married in about a year. We haven't you know, we're still waiting for COVID to like clear up and everything before we like make final plans, but we're getting our invitation list ready cuz we have a venue and everything cuz they're going back to interest wedding and everything. Not for another year, but we're kind of getting a list ready to really get to know em, all that good stuff. Basically I found out recently that my dad's family. I'm really really close with my whole entire family. Especially my parents. I have like a very very close relationship with the both of them, but I recently found out that my dad's siblings - my aunt and one of his brothers, one of the sister his sister and one of his brothers have had sketchy things in the past, whereas my uncle my uncle did some very like perverted and just very like terrible things in his life. And my mom has told me about what it is that he did and it was - I don't know. It's just very icky kind of stuff and I don't want that kind of thing at my wedding. My aunt is just a fucking bitch and needs to make everything about her and she makes competition. She's like said things to me about like my grandma and she told me that my grandmother cheated on my grandfather and it's a whole thing. But my dad is like a huge family man, you know, my parents are paying for my wedding. So my question is I don't want those two people at my wedding. But they're my Dad's siblings and he's close with them, but I don't want them their number one. They've never made like an effort to get to know me, my other Uncle does try to get to know me birthday gift card to call and talk on the phone all the time, but my aunt and Uncle, the other two I just don't I don't want them at my wedding, and I don't know how to tell my dad that and I don't know how to do it in a way that they, you know, like make my dad feel bad and doesn't make like, I don't know. It's a big deal to not invite somebody if your wedding because they did go to my older sister's wedding, but I don't want them at mine and my mom is on my side either anyway, any kind of advice you can give me would be very appreciated on how I can approach that and I can do that. Thanks guys. I really appreciate any feedback you can give me. Have a good one. Bye.

### Call 4:

Hi Meghan, Melisa, I listen to your guys' podcast all the time and I finally decided to call in and get your guys's opinion and advice about a problem I have. So let's go back about four years ago, my now husband and I were engaged and we were of different religions. I was one thing and he was the other and they were both scopes of Christianity. So in our book it really wasn't all that different but for some reason it was a big deal to my parents and they wanted him to convert which he, being pretty stubborn and well he wouldn't and I didn't want him to. I didn't want him to do anything. He didn't want to but my parents were kind of insisting. So it got to the point where I was like, you know what, screw this I'm going to become what he is. So I left my faith denomination and entered his. I told my parents about it and they absolutely blew up about it and decided to not support our wedding financially or physically. So they withdrew our venue. They took back their deposit, they cut off pretty much communication with me and him and they didn't show up to our wedding either, neither did any of my brothers or sisters, or my parents and part of my family from their side too. So about a year passed and I have since forgiven them, but my husband has not he says that it is it was disrespectful of him and me, which it was and I understand that but they're my family and I have forgiven them, but he will not. Is it wrong for me to want him to forgive them for what they did or should I just let him do him? I feel like I'm being selfish because it was my parents and they did it to me, because of my choices And he's the one that's making it into a big deal. You know what I mean? It's just I don't know what to do. Should I be trying to get them back together? Should I try getting him to forgive them or should I just let it go and try to figure it out from there. I don't know. What do you guys think? I would appreciate any input you guys have, I'm just really lost on what to do. So thanks so much. Love you both.

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### Don't Blame Them:

Hi, Melisa, and Meghan love the podcast. I am actually calling in for a Don't Blame Them for the most recent episode, which was I think episode 21, season seven. I'm calling for the caller whose roommate like was messaging her boyfriend talking about how much she hates her and how much she wants to get out. Even though they like talked about being friends. I have personal experience with this because I had a very similar situation happen to me. I'm twenty-two. I don't know if you care. I'm a Sagittarius. Whatever. I'm a I'm a girl she/her sorry, I'm driving. So sorry if it sounds like that, but basically I had a friend and we had a very similar situation happen where it wasn't her boyfriend. She was messaging but it was like our third friend. We had like a trio of like best friends and stuff and two of us lived together and then our third friend didn't live with us and our third friend has been my best friend since kindergarten . But basically my roommate was messaging her and telling her like cuz I was moving out to a different city and so I was moving away from them and basically my my best friend from kindergarten was messaging with my roommate and my roommate was basically saying I really excited for her to leave like finally can just be like I like I like like closer like we wanted to be and my best friend was sending me like the screenshots of what time and like telling me about it and like letting me know basically that she was like being super fake to me and stuff. I pretty much just want to agree with you guys and say that like you need to just like get away from her and completely distance yourself from her because anybody who's going to talk shit like that to their boyfriend about you is not someone you want in your life, trust me. And another thing I'd say is as soon as you get like out of that situation, vet your roommates before because like Melisa and Meghan said it seems like she was using you. It was like a very beneficial relationship for her. So she got a lot out of it and she got she oh, look she has somewhere to live, Oh she has a job. And now that you're moving out. She like isn't going to be getting anything out of getting more. So you're like disposable her and that's how I was treated to so basically I thought I would just say, fuck her. And then just completely distance yourself and get away and don't try to be friends with her after that. You don't want to be friends with her. I'm not friends with mine anymore shes a total bitch. We don't talk anymore and my best friend's not talking to her too. Especially if she knew that you were going to be using her computer. That's so fake. Oh my God, you can find better friends. I promise, good luck. Anyway. Thanks Melisa. Thanks Meghan. Love you guys bye.