

SNL SUBMISSION PACKET

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BOSS HAT

Hugh Jackman (host), Kenan Thompson, Melissa Villaseñor, Beck Bennett, Kate McKinnon, Aidy Bryant

INT. CONFERENCE ROOM - DAY

Four workers in business attire sit around a conference table. The head of the table is empty.

KENAN

So what do you guys think of the new boss?

TOGETHER

He's great!/So nice!/No problems so far!

KENAN

I know. But what's up with the hat?

MELISSA

Right?! On his first day I made a crack about it. He asked when the last budget meeting was and I said (with a faux deep voice) "four score and seven years ago" and he looked at me like I was crazy.

BECK

You didn't?!

MELISSA

Don't get me wrong, he's a great boss. He doesn't micromanage. He lets me do what I need to without breathing down my neck. But that hat?!

BECK

I ran into him in the break room and he asked me who won the game. I said "the north did sir". He did not find it amusing. But he lets me leave early on Fridays. So whatever.

AIDY

At first I thought it was a joke. But then he wore it on his second day. And then the third day. And now it's been a month and he's still wearing that hat. Don't get me wrong, he's a

phenomenal boss. But what is up with that hat.

HUGH JACKMAN (as Mr. Collins, the boss) walks in and we all see he is wearing an Abe Lincoln style top hat that is an absurd 14-inches tall. A modern day business suit. And then the hat.

HUGH

Alright sorry I'm a little late. I was trying to get tickets for a play this weekend.

KENAN

(under his breath)

Hope it's not your last.

Employees snicker.

HUGH

What?

KENAN

Nothing.

HUGH

Ok. Why don't we start by going around the table and giving a quick update on sales in your territory. We'll start with you Jill.

MELISSA

Well. Sales have been slipping a little bit. The economy hasn't helped. My guys are working hard to catch up though.

Hugh is looking through some papers.

HUGH

I actually have some leads for your guys. What office should we send them to?

MELISSA

The Gettysburg, Pennsylvania office would be perfect.

HUGH

(with pencil in hand)

Does anyone have the Gettysburg

address?

Everyone laughs. Hugh glares.

BECK

Oh. We thought you would.

Everyone laughs again.

HUGH

Well. Mark. Since you have so much to say. What's your third quarter looking like?

BECK

Honestly?

HUGH

Honesty is my favorite trait.

BECK

Well, honestly, I'm glad you brought that up. Heather's been poaching some of my team's leads and our numbers have suffered because of that.

AIDY

Those leads are for anyone!

BECK

No! They're for everyone...to split.

AIDY

Well maybe if you had paid me back for lunch, I wouldn't have to take your leads as compensation.

BECK

Lunch? When was that? 3 months ago?

HUGH

Hey! Guys! Enough! The last thing we need is a dratted civil war!

Hugh stands up and reaches into his pockets.

HUGH

Heather. Give Mark his leads back. And I'll pay you for the lunch so we can move on. How much was it?

As he says this, money spills out of his pockets. It's just five dollar bills and pennies. Kenan grabs a few of the bills and coins.

KENAN

Oh look. Just FIVES and PENNIES. What a surprise.

HUGH

Why is that a surprise? It's just money.

KENAN

It's not just money. It's money that has Abraham Lincoln on it.

MELISSA

Plus the hat.

HUGH

What's wrong with my hat? My mother got me this hat.

MELISSA

I guess..nothing..it's just not common modern business attire.

BECK

The money. The hat. It just seems like you're trying to be like Abraham Lincoln.

HUGH

(confused)

Who?

BECK

Arguably our most famous president. The Emancipation Proclamation. Abraham Lincoln.

HUGH

Look. The money is money and it was in my pocket. But I guess I do owe you an explanation about my hat.

Hugh starts to remove the hat.

HUGH

This is good. This feels good. It's nice to finally have a chance to not

have to hide anything about myself.

The removal of the hat reveals that his head is actually as tall as the hat. And it's disgusting. Like when you wear a bandage for a long time and the skin is pale, moist, and gross.

Everyone winces, groans, and looks away like there was a really bright light.

HUGH

(smiling)

Thank you guys. I'm glad I'm in a place where I can be comfortable enough to not have to wear my hat.

AIDY

(wincing)

No problem. Glad we could help.

The phone in the middle of the table beeps and comes on like an intercom.

KATE (V.O.)

Mr. Collins, there is a John Booth here to see you.

HUGH

Alright, I'll be right there. We'll pick this up tomorrow.

Hugh hits a button on the phone and turns to leave.

TOGETHER

No!/ Don't go!/ It's not safe!/ Take your hat!/ Don't forget your hat!

END OF SCENE

COMMERCIAL PARODY: CryRunning

Kyle Mooney, Beck Bennett, Cecily Strong, Pete Davidson, Aidy Bryant, Kenan Thompson

EXT. PARK - DAY

PETE is seen on a park bench crying, but he's happy.

KYLE (V.O.)

Clinical psychologists believe that crying can help activate the body in a healthy way. By releasing unwanted toxins to help reduce stress.

INT. LIVING ROOM - EVENING

AIDY is seen on a couch crying, but she's happy.

KYLE (V.O.)

It can also release endorphins. So don't fight off those tears. Crying can be good for you.

INT. GYM - DAY

People running on treadmills. Upon closer inspection, some of them are wiping away tears, not just sweat by their eyes.

KYLE (V.O.)

You know what else is good for you? Running.

EXT. HIKING TRAIL- DAY

Woman running on hiking trail.

KYLE (V.O.)

Running improves your cardiovascular health. Helps you burn calories.

INT. STUDIO - DAY

Studio is set up like a workout video. Five empty treadmills. KYLE is standing in the foreground talking straight to the camera.

KYLE

Have you ever wished there was a way to take control of your emotional health and physical fitness through

one activity? Well now there is!
CryRunning. CryRunning is a brand new
fitness regimen that we created to
help you harness the full power of
your physical heart and your emotional
heart. Both hearts.

INT. HOME GYM - DAY

CECILY standing next to treadmill at home with TV playing in
the background.

CECILY

At first I was annoyed because it's
hard to run with blurry vision,
because of the tears.

CUT TO:

INT. HOME GYM - DAY

Cecily is CryRunning on the treadmill from the previous shot.

CECILY (V.O.)

But after the first few sessions I got
over that. And now it's like I can see
clearer than I ever before.

INT. STUDIO - DAY

KYLE is in a different spot in the studio. And the treadmills
are no longer empty.

KYLE

Maybe you're skeptical about being
able to cry while you run. Maybe you
haven't cried in decades and aren't
sure if you can at all. Don't worry!
Our video tutorials are jam packed
with video compilations to get even
the driest eyes running. From military
homecoming surprises to reruns of This
Is Us, the tears are sure to come. And
if that doesn't work, just go to
Special Video 45 to rewatch news
footage from election day 2016.

EXT. PARK - DAY

BECK is wiping his eyes as he takes a break from running.

BECK

CryRunning changed my life. I used to have to cry. And then run. And then cry again. The thought of doing them at the same time never even crossed my mind.

EXT. PARK - DAY

BECK is now running and crying on a sidewalk in a park area with many people staring.

KYLE (V.O.)

Maybe you don't like to run inside. Don't cry! (wink) We have something for you too: a playlist with hours and hours of the saddest songs. Heart crushers like "Cats In The Cradle" and "My Heart Will Go On". You'll be soaking the trails in no time.

EXT. STREET - DAY

A person is riding a bike and crying.

KYLE (V.O.)

If you order today, we will throw in our special package for cyclists called Tears for Gears.

INT. HOME - DAY

A person is watching FoxNews and CryRunning on the treadmill.

KYLE (V.O.)

Maybe now isn't a good time for you to purchase CryRunning. That's okay. You can get your own CryRunning high simply by hitting the treadmill and flipping over to FoxNews.

Super: CryRunning (logo)

FADE TO:

EXT. OPEN GRASSY AREA - DAY

Kyle, Beck, Cecily, Pete, and Aidy are holding hands while skipping in the grass and crying.

KENAN (V.O)

(voice spedup)

CryRunning is not recommended in areas with heavy traffic. CryRunning Incorporated makes no guarantees that our product will make you feel any better and is not responsible for any accidents due to running with blurry vision caused by tears.

END OF SCENE

TEACHER HATES LIARS

Cecily Strong, Beck Bennett, Melissa Villaseñor, Pete Davidson, Aidy Bryant, Kyle Mooney, Ego Nwodim, Alex Moffat, Kenan Thompson

INT. HIGH SCHOOL CLASSROOM - DAY

Students getting settled into their desks. CECILY (as the teacher) is moving some papers from her desk to the podium.

Students are chattering.

Cecily slams stack of papers on the podium to shut the class up.

CECILY

Good afternoon. I graded your tests over the weekend and I was disappointed to learn that we have some liars in the class.

Teacher waits for reaction from students. But they're just looking around.

CECILY

Brandon. The First Continental Congress met in the year 1774. On your test, you wrote 1776. What do you say to that?

BECK

Uhhh...I got it wrong, I guess. I thought it was 1776.

Brandon laughs to himself.

CECILY

Do you think lying is funny? Or cool?

BECK

I didn't...lie...I just got it wrong.

CECILY

Ok. What was the answer?

BECK

You just said it. 1774.

CECILY

What did you write?

BECK

1776.

CECILY

Then. You. Lied.

BECK

No I di--

CECILY

Liar!

CECILY

Stephanie. When asked who is famous for his midnight ride to alert the colonial militia that the British were coming, you wrote Patrick Henry. The answer is Paul Revere. Why did you lie Stephanie?

MELISSA

I don't think I lied. I thought it was Patrick Henry.

Cecily gives Stephanie the death stare.

CECILY

Paul Revere was the one on the horse. But you told me that it was Patrick Henry. That is a lie.

MELISSA

But I--

CECILY

Liar!

Cecily is clearly holding a test that says "100 A+". She smiles at EGO.

CECILY

Stella. Good job. Thank you for telling the truth when so many of your fellow classmates have decided to flat out lie.

KYLE

Uhm. Ms. Martin. You're clearly just accusing people of lying when they choose the wrong answer. They're not the same thing. Lying is intentionally

not telling the truth. Getting an answer wrong is a mistake, not a lie.

CECILY

So. Michael. When you said you would text me this weekend and then you didn't. You're saying that wasn't a lie? You're saying it was a mistake?

The whole class starts "Oh-ing". Some of the students look at Ms. Martin in disgust. Others give Michael nods of approval and high fives.

PETE

Hey Michael, we need the deets! Did it count for extra credit?

CECILY

There was no extra credit.

KYLE

Yeah. Nothing happened.

CECILY

Liar! We had sex!

The class gets loud again.

AIDY does hammering motion with her hands. Implying that Ms. Martin just put the nails in her own coffin by obviously admitting to an affair with a student.

AIDY

Nail. Coffin.

CECILY

I'm not dead. Just probably fired. And maybe arrested. So stop lying!

EMILY

It's an idiom!

CECILY

I'm not an idiot. You're the idiot.

ALEX and KENAN (as police officers) walk into the classroom.

ALEX

Sorry to interrupt your class. We are looking for a Ms. Martin.

CECILY

There's no Ms. Martin here.

STUDENTS TOGETHER

Liar!/ Look who's lying now!/ That's a lie!

CECILY

I am not a liar! Because I'm not Ms. Martin! Ms. Martin is dead. I've just been using her identity!

Everyone is stunned. Even the police officers.

KENAN

Miss. You're gonna have to come with us.

Alex and Kenan escort Cecily out of the classroom.

STUDENTS IN UNISON

(mocking Cecily)

Liar!

END OF SCENE

TOPICAL JOKES FOR WEEKEND UPDATE

1. Madonna's new album "Madame X" debuted at number one. Her ninth number one album. Which is a feat in itself. Do you know how difficult it is to have nine number one albums and zero good songs?

2. Beth Chapman, Dog the Bounty Hunter's wife, passed away. Rest in peace. Let's hope she can afford to get out of purgatory. Or you-know-who is gonna be coming after her.

3. The Pop-Up Taco Bell Hotel in Palm Springs, California sold out in two minutes. One unique feature of the hotel is that every piece of furniture doubles as a toilet. (show pictures of a toilet lamp, a toilet couch, etc.)

4. A 900 yr. old chess piece sold for 929K at auction. The piece is a part of a 12th-century set found buried in Scotland. Upon being found, the chess piece announced it's candidacy for president. Making it the third oldest candidate in the race.

5. CNN is reporting that Eric Swalwell is dropping from the presidential race after failing to gain traction. Imagine a total stranger walks up to you. And dumps you. That's what this feels like.

6. Tom Steyer, a billionaire hedge fund manager from California, has announced his bid for the presidency. He's just a manager. And he's running for president. Truly amazing.

7. Lake City, Florida officials have agreed to pay a \$462,000 ransom to hackers to release the stolen data. In other news, the Lake City mayor's office just approved plans to add an indoor pool and a movie theater in the building's basement.