

Morgan Bassichis (Audio Transcript)

[PIANO PLAYING]

My name is Morgan Bassichis, please, thank you. Please and thank you for joining me for This Way, organized by MIT List Visual Arts Center. I had to look up the full title.

[TALK-SINGING]

I had look up the full title. I forgot the full title.

And that's a good place to start, if you run into somebody. If you run into somebody and you say what's-- what's-- we've met. We've met. And they say, yeah, we're dating.

And you could say, what's the full title? What's the full title?

You can say hold on, one second. I just got a call. I got a call, 1-800- what's the full title. 1-800, excuse me? Hi, hi there. Hey there. Take care. Take care.

This is about things you can take to help you care about the people that you're going to run into. Because you are going to run into people. They don't mention this in the CDC.

They don't mention this in the CDC. You've got to read between the lines. Read between the lines. Read between the lines.

They don't tell you this. You are going to run into different people out in the world. Out in the world. They don't tell you. They don't tell you.

They don't tell you this. They don't. They don't tell you this. They don't. They don't tell you this. They don't tell you this.

But you're going to run into people in the world. And I want to help you. I want to get you prepared. I want to get you feeling ready to go, ready to go, ready to go. Ready to go. Ready to go.

OK, so here's a couple conversation topics you can bring with you as you head into the world and see somebody. You could say, what-- are you-- have you had-- what are you-- what are you-- do you have any dietary restrictions?

You could say what are you not eating? What are you-- what are you not eating? What are you not eating? What are you not? What are you not. I'm not on nights I'm not on some fruit. I'm not on. I'm not on processed sugar. Processed sugar. Processed sugar.

And they can say I'm not on dairy. Whatever. That's not a great-- but it's a good conversation starter. Hey, my name is Morgan and I am trying to avoid grains. Trying to avoid grains. And you can start talking about fatigue at that point, or you can just cut right to tell me the thing-- tell me the thing-- tell me the thing that's on your bookshelf that you tell people you've read, but you haven't read yet. Tell me about the lies. Tell me about the lies. Let's start with the lies. And start with the lies. Let's start with the lies. Let's not start with them. Let's start with lies. Call them lies.

I think that's a good way to meet people. You'd say, here's the things I've been lying about. Here are some things I lie about. Here are some things I lie about. That's a good way to establish intimacy, I think. I think. I think. I think. I think. Let me check. Let me look online. The definition of intimacy, into me, you see. Into me, you see. Into me, you see. Into me, you see. Into me, you see.

And-- and what else? That's going to run out. Lies will keep you going for quite a bit of time. You can say, now you tell me another lie. You go back and forth, back and forth.

But at some point, they'll run out and then you can say, OK, what else do we have to talk about? What else do we have to talk about? And you can say, what was your favorite thing to eat when you were a child? When you were a child.

What was your favorite thing? What was your favorite thing? What was your favorite thing to eat when you were a child? When you were a child.

And you can take it slow. This is a good time to take it slow and then describe it. Describe it. Describe how it tasted. Describe how you made it. Describe how you

felt. For example, for me, it was an Eggo waffle with a chocolate chip in each one of the little squares. What do you call those things, dents? Waffle craters. Waffle craters.

I was making a chocolate chip waffle. I was making a chocolate chip waffle in the microwave. In the microwave. It was a good opportunity to practice thoroughness. You can put a chocolate chip in every single one of those little trunks.

What are they called? Somebody look it up. Somebody, somebody, somebody look it up. Somebody look it up. I was thorough.

Then I put it in the microwave. I don't know why I did it. Did I not want it crispy? Did I intentionally want it soggy? Was soggy part of my desire? I wanted soggy chocolate waffles.

A chocolate waffle and make it-- make it soggy. Make it soggy. I hadn't learned yet that sogginess is not a sought after trait. I hadn't learned yet. I hadn't learned yet. I hadn't learned it. I hadn't learned. I hadn't learned. I hadn't learned. I hadn't learned. I hadn't learned yet. I hadn't learned yet. I hadn't learned. I hadn't learned that sogginess wasn't a thing you sought, wasn't a thing you seek. I hadn't learned yet. And I hadn't learned yet. I hadn't learned yet.

That could be your next question to say goodbye on. What have you not learned yet? What have you not learned yet? What have you not learned yet? What have you haven't learned that you haven't learned yet?

What have you not learned that you have not learned yet? What haven't you learned yet? Goodbye. Goodbye. Goodbye.

I really recommend the word goodbye. P.S. Not the word. But call me. Text me. See you soon. Call me. Text me. See you soon. We should do this again. We should do this on purpose.

I recommend goodbye. Goodbye. Goodbye. It's clean. It's clean. It's an agreement. Goodbye. Even more than bye. Bye works. Bye works.

You want to be traditional, you can say goodbye. Goodbye. Resist the urge. Resist the urge to say something after to cushion the blow. Goodbye.

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