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BLAIZE, male

UMA, female

*Blaize and Uma are the hosts of an E-Tv show, Fashion Assault. They hate each other.*

BLAIZE

Welcome back to the Fashion Assault! Where we rate the developments in the fashion universe for the week with military precision!

UMA

Ten-hut!

BLAIZE

And I'm here as always with my partner in crime, Uma. I love you, Uma. Really do.

UMA

Thanks.

BLAIZE

Totally over our last fight.

UMA

Me too. I am not harboring any resentments for you even though I don't think you're talented.

BLAIZE

Great. So what's new this week?

UMA

Well, we're all tuning in to Project Design this week. And we had this look from President. What do you think?

BLAIZE

I don't know what I'm supposed to think.

UMA

I never know what I'm supposed to think. With this, though, I'm like... this reminds me of death.

BLAIZE

Yeah.

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UMA

Like my dog could wear this and pull it off, you know?

BLAIZE

I'm sure. Your dog can pull off a lot of looks.

UMA

He totally can. He's brilliant.

BLAIZE

Absolutely. He's an inspiration to other dogs.

UMA

I think he is. I really do.

BLAIZE

Sure. Except he's a loser.

UMA

What.

BLAIZE

You have a totally unrealistic opinion of your dog. I've met him. I was not impressed.

UMA

Don't talk about my dog.

BLAIZE

He should just give up. Go in his little doghouse and turn on the car and kill himself, right? Who's with me, studio audience? Do you know Uma's dog?

UMA

The studio audience hates you and everything you stand for.

BLAIZE

The producers are whispering in my ear that we need to talk about Project Design again.

UMA

Holla!

BLAIZE

You sound old when you do that. That was like four years ago.

UMA

It was not.

BLAIZE

That was like a zombie comment. You raised that comment from the dead and now it's wandering around trying to eat the living.

UMA

Your mother must be really proud of you. Part-time host on a fashion show.

BLAIZE

Thank you, she is.

UMA

I mean, most normal mothers would probably be pretending you died in a fire or something, but your Mom probably has a photo of you in her house.

BLAIZE

How many husbands have you gone through?

UMA

One less than you.

BLAIZE

So... Project Design, what do you think of the other designers?

UMA

Normally I hate watch it. But this season is delicious.

BLAIZE

I know.

UMA

Don't agree with me. I didn't ask you to agree with me.

BLAIZE

I'm just making a comment.

UMA

All right. Make your comments.

BLAIZE

I did.

UMA

Okay. Great. The world is a better place now. Are you happy? Did you bring peace on earth?

BLAIZE

Let's talk about Ifez.

UMA

He's adorable. He's like a stray puppy. I just want to take him home.

BLAIZE

He'd probably jump off a cliff if he came to your house. He'd meet your dog and be like, "I have to die."

UMA

New Girl. Jezebel.

BLAIZE

Yes.

UMA

How did you feel about her garbage bag hat?

BLAIZE

Honestly, it excited me. I want to see what direction she's going in.

UMA

Yeah. That sounds like something you would say.

BLAIZE

It was. Because I said it.

UMA

I know you said it. I'm not surprised you said it.

BLAIZE

And that's all the time we have for today!

UMA

You screwed that up.

BLAIZE

No I didn't.

UMA

Yes you did. I can read the teleprompter too. It's not like a special skillset you have, you know.

BLAIZE

All right fine.

UMA

Can I do my tag? Cause it's written on my teleprompter.

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BLAIZE

Do it. It's like what your ex-husband said when you were taking all those pills.\*

*(\*this line may be cut)*

UMA

All right then. Well I can't wait to see what happens on Project Design next! There's gonna be fireworks! I'm ready for the elimination!

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