



Samberg, Carvey, Gaffigan Tackle Politics in SNL Cold Open

Description

The American comedy show, "Saturday Night Live" just had its 50th season premiere. Maya Rudolph, who is back on the show, started the episode with a funny joke. James Austin Johnson, who plays Donald Trump on the show, also had a funny line.

Rudolph won an Emmy Award for her performance as Kamala Harris on the show. On this episode, she was joined by Andy Samberg. He played the role of Doug Emhoff, who is the husband of the real Kamala Harris.

Jim Gaffigan played the role of Governor Tim Walz. He is running for Vice President. There were a lot of jokes about American politics.

A big surprise was when Dana Carvey came on the show. He did a funny impersonation of President Joe Biden. He even made a joke that he sometimes forgets he's President.

Then, Rudolph made a joke about a popular song. She said her campaign is like the song "Expresso" by Sabrina Carpenter. The song's lyrics are not very clear, but the music is very good.

A lot has happened in American politics since the last season of the show. Things have changed a lot since the show first started in 1975.

But the show still finds a way to make people laugh about politics. "Saturday Night Live" had a great premier and everyone did a great job on this episode. However, Donald Trump's team didn't like the show's impersonation of him. They quickly hit back at "Saturday Night Live".

Vocabulary List:

1. **Impersonation** /ɪm,pɜːrsə'neɪʃən/ (noun): The act of pretending to be someone else often for entertainment.
2. **Premiere** /prɪ'mɪr/ (noun): The first public performance or showing of a play film or television show.
3. **Campaign** /kæm'peɪn/ (noun): A series of organized activities or events aimed at achieving a particular goal such as election.
4. **Politics** /'pɒlɪtɪks/ (noun): The activities associated with governance including the debate or conflict among individuals or parties having power.
5. **Surprise** /sə'rpraɪz/ (noun): An unexpected event or fact that causes astonishment.
6. **Astonishment** /ə'stɒnɪʃmənt/ (noun): A feeling of great surprise or wonder.

Comprehension Questions



Multiple Choice

1. Which season of "Saturday Night Live" just had its premiere?
Option: 45th
Option: 50th
Option: 40th
Option: 55th
2. Who started the episode with a funny joke?
Option: James Austin Johnson
Option: Dana Carvey
Option: Maya Rudolph
Option: Andy Samberg
3. Who plays Donald Trump on the show?
Option: Dana Carvey
Option: Jim Gaffigan
Option: James Austin Johnson
Option: Andy Samberg
4. Who joined Maya Rudolph in this episode, playing Doug Emhoff?
Option: Andy Samberg
Option: James Austin Johnson
Option: Jim Gaffigan
Option: Dana Carvey
5. Who did Dana Carvey impersonate on the show?
Option: Donald Trump
Option: Governor Tim Walz
Option: Doug Emhoff
Option: President Joe Biden
6. What song did Maya Rudolph compare her campaign to?
Option: Espresso by Sabrina Carpenter
Option: Bad Guy by Billie Eilish
Option: Blinding Lights by The Weeknd
Option: Shape of You by Ed Sheeran



Answer

Multiple Choice: 1. 50th 2. Maya Rudolph 3. James Austin Johnson 4. Andy Samberg 5. President Joe Biden
6. Espresso by Sabrina Carpenter

Vocabulary quizzes

Multiple Choice (Select the Correct answer for each question.)

1. What is a person's overall quality or character as seen or judged by people in general?
Option: Personality
Option: Reputation
Option: Success
Option: Wealth
2. Which term refers to pretending to be someone else in order to deceive others?
Option: Confusion
Option: Impersonation
Option: Respect
Option: Accurate
3. What is a person who has committed a crime known as?
Option: Innocent
Option: Guilty
Option: Victim
Option: Witness
4. Which term refers to the first public performance or showing of a movie play or something similar?
Option: Finale
Option: Encore
Option: Premiere
Option: Debut
5. What does the term "violence" refer to?
Option: Kindness
Option: Compassion
Option: Peace
Option: Violence



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6. What is the characteristic that distinguishes living things from non-living things?
- Option: Consciousness
 - Option: Movement
 - Option: Life
 - Option: Growth
7. What are expressions of displeasure or annoyance about something?
- Option: Appreciation
 - Option: Complaints
 - Option: Apologies
 - Option: Gratitude
8. Which term refers to an unexpected or astonishing event fact or thing?
- Option: Prediction
 - Option: Anticipation
 - Option: Surprise
 - Option: Expectation
9. What does the term "meaning" refer to?
- Option: Purpose
 - Option: Random
 - Option: Meaning
 - Option: Chaotic
10. What is a feeling of deep admiration for someone or something elicited by their abilities qualities or achievements?
- Option: Disrespect
 - Option: Neglect
 - Option: Criticism
 - Option: Respect

Gap-Fill (Fill in the blanks with the correct word from the vocabulary list.)

11. What is the _____ between a crocodile and an alligator?
12. Mary was _____ about her upcoming trip to Paris.
13. The teacher marked the answer as _____ on the test.
14. I think you are _____. The meeting is tomorrow not today.



15. The diamond on her finger was _____ in the sunlight.
16. She was _____ for the prestigious award.
17. Your assumption is _____. The situation is not as you think.
18. The criminal organization was charged with _____ activities.
19. The mother was granted full _____ of her children after the divorce.
20. The protest turned into a night of _____ with clashes between the two groups.

Matching Sentences (Match each definition to the correct word from the vocabulary list.)

21. The abandoned house had a sinister and eerie feeling making it unsettling to explore.
22. The political party launched an extensive publicity to attract more voters.
23. The magic show left the audience in complete as the magician made the elephant disappear.
24. During the negotiation the union leader had to the demands of the workers strongly.
25. Realizing his mistake John to his friend for his inappropriate behavior.
26. Being involved in can be quite challenging as it involves complex decision-making and interactions.
27. The student provided an answer to the mathematical problem.
28. She felt uneasy knowing that she was being by a stranger on her way home.
29. The court found him of the crime and sentenced him to prison.
30. It is important for journalists to provide information to the public.

Answer

Multiple Choice: 1. Reputation 2. Impersonation 3. Guilty 4. Premiere 5. Violence 6. Life 7. Complaints
8. Surprise 9. Meaning 10. Respect

Gap-Fill: 11. Difference 12. Excited 13. Incorrect 14. Mistaken 15. Sparkling 16. Nominated 17. Incorrect
18. Racketeering 19. Custody 20. Violence

Matching sentence: 1. Creepy 2. Campaign 3. Astonishment 4. Assert 5. Apologized 6. Politics 7. Incorrect
8. Stalked



9. Guilty 10. Accurate

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