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Hi I'm Sharon and I'm Lisa, and together, we're the Introvert Sisters.

Lisa 0:15

We're so happy that we actually got to say that together for once

Sharon 0:19

because we are in the same room, we are at a location in the same place right as we record this Lisa is here visiting should probably be back at home by the time this goes out, but you know we're very happy to be able to do this together today.

Unknown Speaker 0:34

This is awesome.

Sharon 0:35

And what do you want to talk about are the people that cannot keep a mask on to save their lives. They are breaking the rules breaking quarantine putting other people at risk that we're

Unknown Speaker 0:47

not having it,

Sharon 0:48

we're not having it we're not happy, and we we don't

Lisa 0:51

understand it and we I don't know what you I don't understand it, I was in quarantine as you know because Barbados has rules and like someone showed me remain nameless I have to. I have to go

Sharon 1:02

back to my doctor did quarantine when she came in from the States as

Lisa 1:05

well you just you just you know you have you have quarantine you know what the rules are you abide by the rules, and then, you know, you get out of quarantine. Exactly. And so, but even while I was under quarantine. You know I could see people, not have my you not have your you not have my you. You know I don't want to make generalisations but

Unknown Speaker 1:29

generally

Lisa 1:31

you people don't mind you,

Unknown Speaker 1:33

we're breaking currently

Lisa 1:34

seem to be the ones breaking quality most frequently. If one were to do a statistical,

Sharon 1:39

actually that's very interesting because here in Barbados one one incident that happened recently. Is that okay so to backtrack a little bit and we'll share. Lisa's description of the quarantine arrival procedure, yeah in the show notes Yeah, one of the things that happened is the you know the SU u wristband that says you know this person is supposed to be in quarantine.

Lisa 2:04

Okay, let me just stop you right there. Because we should also actually post a picture of the wristband Yes, because first of all we're not going to a club. Right, I felt like all of that was missing was a stamp on my wrist as well, but nevertheless you know I'm sure it was a budget friendly way of, you know, identifying people so if you're from a high risk country you wear a red wristband i think you know of course, maybe I don't know I'm guessing here medium risk to risk is orange

Unknown Speaker 2:33

low risk is yellow who

Lisa 2:34

knows, who knows but I was obviously coming in from a high risk region, my wristband is was red, and you know you can if you want you can rip it off if you're really determined, or you can cut it off. Yes, very easily, yes and no and it does not see you're under quarantine. You know, adhere to the rules, it says Welcome to Barbados, like, you know, please stay safe and enjoy your, your steam or designated hotel or something but it's not really strict enough. No, and clear enough,

Sharon 3:09

we really need electronic targeting or

Lisa 3:11

I need electronic tagging it needs to be something more clear more stress or strain or less escapable

Sharon 3:16

yeah so what happened is out of band bank. People were standing in the queue. And somebody was in the queue still wearing her quarantine wristband which you know clearly that could have led, he had it to a community spread something which until now. The island has managed to avoid, I don't know for how much longer but

Lisa 3:37

people seem actively trying. Yes. And yeah, get some committee spread going I mean I must say for me. I feel a lot safer. Generally speaking, going out to public here than

Unknown Speaker 3:49

I do back home back home I

Lisa 3:50

still. If I see somebody walking towards me, of course, especially if they're not wearing a mask clearly out across the street. Yeah, but he was amazing they are wearing a mask like he was under their nose or you know because they haven't quite figured all the masking works. I will cross the street. Yes, you know, over here I don't quite feel like I need to do that. No, because I know I know that there's no community spread, but then people are actively trying to change that.

Sharon 4:14

Well, you know, it has come down to the end of the year I think people are starting to take this lack of community spread for granted, I think, you know, they've gradually opened up the country. This is now a peak tourist season November to April, People are starting to come back to the country and, you know, people are trying to escape their own quarantine situation their terror lockdowns and whatever it is, but that's

Unknown Speaker 4:40

going to be here too,

Sharon 4:41

but but you know there's there's, there's a procedure there's a protocol, and people are breaking it.

Lisa 4:46

And I just tell you colonisers, and those from colour. Those from similar countries, just because you are coming to an island, doesn't mean that it's a free for all, and that there are no rules,

Sharon 4:56

which brings us nicely to the Schuyler Mac situation.

Lisa 5:01

Oh Skyler Skyler Skyler.

Sharon 5:03

Now, Mac Mac Mac.

Lisa 5:08

They will learn back not not Math Math Math. Okay,

Unknown Speaker 5:16

we could we could do more, but

Unknown Speaker 5:17

we really got to do it.

Sharon 5:19

Yes. And so, you know, for those who aren't familiar with the, with the, with a story she was visiting the Cayman Islands and she broke quarantine to go and watch her boyfriend compete in a jetski competition when she's on Mercury, actually you know have our, you know, and she was caught fined and jailed.

Lisa 5:38

Yes, and she broke wire and incubators say

Unknown Speaker 5:40

knowingly.

Lisa 5:41

He broke ignoring me it was that it was a plan right yeah, it was a it was a plot in a plan, but I don't agree with breaking quarantine at all. If she had even made it to like the 12th right yes she broke it. On day two. So, so it was a plan all along, she was just determined she's going to fly in, you know, she's gone for huge she can come down the islands she can do whatever she wants, because you know the natives don't matter. Right. And there are no rules down there because they're not even a real country.

We know, we know we know how we're regarded right yes yes so but but let me tell you what Cayman Islands was it oh no no no that who miss. We are having none of this. And after jr with you You go,

Sharon 6:23

because they had had one of the most stringent lockdowns right at the store because you know these small places with small populations can afford the community spread. Yes, right, because there was get wiped out and just to put it into context more people have died in the US than the population of Barbados. Yeah, okay.

Lisa 6:44

So just imagine if you know a lot of people know, Barbados, Barbados, imagine if the entire population were wiped out. Yes, entirely. yes, no matter what age, gender, whatever, everybody's just gone shades of Columbus shades of Columbus. Right. Yes. And so that is what we are trying to avoid. And, you know, certain tourists are not

Sharon 7:08

are not playing by the rules so

Lisa 7:10

yeah so okay. What do you think should happen to quarantine breakers because what happened of course in the scalar case is that she was sent to jail post east as well she should have been. Because she broke the rules and endangered an entire population.

Sharon 7:23

Yeah, so I before we get on to what I think should happen yeah, you know, I was not particularly impressed by all the people that were crying over a fate and saying it was too harsh. She put people at risk, that was practically attempted manslaughter. It was right

Lisa 7:42

now practically it was acting was attempted manslaughter here you know my feelings are these things you know these are the people who grew up with a with participation trophies and, you know, every

Unknown Speaker 7:52

every everybody

Lisa 7:55

has has equal talents. Everybody has talents. Everybody's gonna have equal talent Yes, you know, me and me playing the piano and Alicia Keys playing the piano are two different things can we both can we both knock a tune out. No, because that's exactly right, you have to notice this stuff but you know when you're brought up to think that the world revolves around you, and that there are no consequences. These are people whose parents, right, the, you know, they don't do the work, they get a failing grade, and then the parents go on harangue the school and the teachers to give them an A, because it's going to ruin their future Well no, they failed,

Sharon 8:35

make them do the work. And I just segue. Please, to see that I read a very interesting article that said that that is the problem with the orange one he who shall not be named Yes, because he has never really been told no, no, you know, people have been around supporting him as foolishness and they're still people supporting foolishness. And that is one of his is in combination with having money which makes

Lisa 8:59

it even worse.

Sharon 9:01

So you know it's all part it's all part of that trend. Yeah, and I think that people who knowingly break quarantine knowing that they are putting people at risk because bear in mind. She did not know that she was COVID free. No,

Lisa 9:13

she was two days in. She didn't even and I'm not exactly sure what the protocol is in the Caymans and here in Barbados, you have to you have to enter with men Britain with it with a negative test account enter the country let's have a negative. Yeah, test our well yeah just now yes okay so you're supposed to travel with a negative test, and then you're supposed to be tested seven days after your original negative test, which would end up to be like four or five days or days or so in yeah to stay here. So you're supposed to have two negative tests before you leave for you leave quality and,

Unknown Speaker 9:48

you know, I

Lisa 9:49

don't know what the situation was with her first

Sharon 9:52

negative test I'm going to,

Lisa 9:54

I'm just going to leave that there because

Sharon 9:56

what my understanding, and I could be wrong was that she was supposed to be in quarantine for 14 days which suggests to me that she that she did not arrive without a test first test and had to wait for eggs out of that. And then we get a second image.

Lisa 10:11

But you're 100% Right, right,

Unknown Speaker 10:12

I knew that she,

Lisa 10:13

she flew in she flew in potentially positive because that's what you are, yes if you're flying without a negative example is actually a carrier. Yes. And they said, You know what, I'm just going to go spread this among the natives.

Sharon 10:27

That's what she decided as you said Columbus like yes I you know, it's hard for me to put my myself in the shoes of somebody who would do that, because it's so ridiculous because it's so ridiculous you know if you mean, yes, you know I am the person, you know, even to this day, even without community spread. You know, I went out the other day to get together. I wore my mask for the majority of the evening because there were people there that I did not know. I came back as I do when I come back from out I take off my old clothes I make sure I do a little swab body swab. And I change my clothes before I greet anyone in the house. Yes, right. Because I have to do my part to keep people safe and I you know it is it is astounding to me that there are people that are prepared to play with people's lives in that way

Lisa 11:19

they do, they literally do not care. And, You know, I think it is also is also a very American way of looking at life, it is so hyper individualistic, you know this is this is where all the anti maskers come in, you know, they do not care if everybody else dies once they get to not where they're actually there was another story,

Sharon 11:41

yeah another story that happened here in Barbados, about a couple of weeks back. An American tourist was trying to enter some place I can't remember where, and he didn't have a mascot and he said I'm American, I don't have to wear a mask. And they said this is Barbados Yes you do. And he was not permitted to enter. There you go, you know,

Lisa 12:02

they can just come down here and do whatever I know,

Sharon 12:04

and also you know when you have a small population, you cannot take those very extremely vigilant, you know remain careful. I mean, you know, it's just amazing to people outside the US that this thing has been allowed to progress to the point where so many people have died because there are places with larger populations that have handled it differently, and they have death taught in the hundreds.

Lisa 12:28

You mean places maybe that believe in science, that have leaders that have leaders, first of all, it can string a full sentence together and who also believe in science, those, those countries,

Sharon 12:41

yes well hopefully you know by the time this airs. You will once again have a leader who can string sentences together Yes, there

Lisa 12:49

will be a changing of the guard there will there will be a changing of the guard.

Unknown Speaker 12:52

We'll get to that, we'll get to that.

Sharon 12:54

We'll get to that. Yes. So, that has been, you know, it's very, very interesting. Another thing that happened actually, because of course as you start to open up you get more people who don't abide by protocol. So, something that happened just the day before we recorded this episode was that there was a kind of an all hands press conference from the local COVID team, saying look, you know, we have seen the pictures of people getting together at the beach with no social distancing and no masks and we are not having it, we now have a 70 strong task force of x Defence Force and police who are in charge of enforcing the rules. We have reduced the numbers at gatherings is a limited order for the rest of the Christmas season. Right, right, going up to January 6, the numbers of gatherings have been reduced from 250 to 150. Okay, everybody that one a lot but yeah everybody that wants to do a pleasure boat cruise a catamaran cruise has to reapply and be told how many people they can have on it. Right, so they're basically tightening the rules because again it's a small population. You know, I say again the death toll that currently exists in the US would wipe out the entire population of this island, yes. Okay, we know we're fighting again we cannot afford, yes to have that happen.

Lisa 14:19

No, you know, and it, and of course no there is the, there's a new, more virulent strain, at least one, at least it might be, I think there might be too right there might be too, too, and so can you imagine all and what people don't realise is all you need is one person. Yes, I did that one person could be you.

Sharon 14:40

Yes, so just do the right thing there's a rational intermittently spread by one person leaving one. Whoo. Right. Yeah, and look where we are. Yeah, so I don't understand why people don't take this seriously.

Lisa 14:55

I know, I know, I don't get, and then

Sharon 14:57

let's let's let's also talk about that in hoarding by logic, doo, doo, let's do that right there supposed to be a plan in place that many countries signed up to, to share the vaccine. But no, certain countries have doubled three times six times the amount of vaccine they want rich countries, and other countries, know that, you know, by the end of 2021, they'll only be able to vaccinate at most 20% of their population because people bought

Lisa 15:30

like like toilet paper, the beginning of the pandemic. People are not hoarding the vaccine

Sharon 15:34

before now more in the vaccine but you know it doesn't make any sense because this is global. Yes, you know, you can be vaccinated. You know, you could be a carrier.

Lisa 15:45

I think people also imagine that getting the vaccine meaning, you're not carrier somehow you are some No no, you're in some kind of a bubble and you will never you'll never get it nor can you transmit, that's not what it means at all. Yes, it means that the likelihood to my understanding, scientists who actually know the science behind this please feel free to jump in and give us you know the correct information my understanding as a lay person is that it means that you know the likelihood of you being wiped out by it is less likely the likelihood of death is lower,

Sharon 16:20

yes because the mean, you could, you know the vaccine will faded if you get it but you could still be contagious in that exactly right. And so Skyler. And so it doesn't make sense to me that you know you're treating this like a get out of jail free card, because it really, it really isn't. It's more like a get out of jail life card

Lisa 16:39

is to get out of jail life card, you know, and for me, I mean, definitely getting here the process to get here and again we'll share those those links. It was, you know, it was a good three week three four week lead up to get everything organised I mean you can't just sort of take a last minute trip and do think that with more people in the world vaccinated travel and travel protocols will return to something more resembling what they were like in the before times, but even with that, even with the vaccination. You're still going to have to take precautions and you should still be. Whether you're a vaccine, or not, you know, you should still be wearing your mask, still be sanitising still doing all of that and zscaler still adhering to any protocols of countries that you're visiting and just just to get back onto her for a second. Right.

Sharon 17:34

No, because I know you feel strongly about this

Lisa 17:37

too I do is just so thoughtless and Suri is so ridiculous in your own a saw the footage of I believe it was her grandmother. In a weeping and wailing and gnashing of teeth and how Skylar did not deserve to be locked up and it's too hard to know this number isn't really. Is it too harsh.

Sharon 17:57

You know,

Lisa 17:58

you know it, because, again, adults in children's lives and she is a child, still eating or not. Right. Need to hold children accountable. She's old enough child that she needs to be held accountable, and that is part of raising the youth. Right. It's not all instal or scalar it's okay to go and potentially infect an entire island nation. That's not what it's about. No, you did wrong, you know, take your punishment, we will be here waiting for you when you get back,

Sharon 18:32

I haven't been to no doctor. Yes, we will note the other day, I dropped her somewhere and then she realised while she was out that she had her mask had fallen from her. So she asked me to check to make sure that she had her last name. And when her friends went somewhere. She sat in the car while her friend went in and bought her a disposable mask, so she could put it on before she went out into public. Okay, it's not hard. It's not hard, but

Lisa 18:59

she was raised by people who actually raised her. You know they say themselves some people are racist some people are dragged right or your daughter Blitzer was raised.

Sharon 19:13

You know, it's just, I don't, I don't understand that mentality that lack of social responsibility ability, you know, and that that refusal to take responsibility. You know, if you are, if you are going to take it upon yourself to break quarantine to plan to break quarantine because let me tell you if he had planned to attend an event and keep the quarantine she would have arrived earlier. Yeah, so she never planned he

Lisa 19:42

never planned to keep quarantine because she knew it was an event that you was going to a competition that you have to attend, she would obviously know the database Yes, which is how she knew to break out. Yes. On that day Yeah, right.

Unknown Speaker 19:53

And so she planned that from the beginning. Yes,

Lisa 19:56

she's like I'm just gonna I'm just gonna hop in here and, you know, pretend to add here the protocols and I'm going to go you know see my boyfriend and, you know, today two days in. Yes. And actually, which they

Sharon 20:08

also don't, I'm a big fan of the alt Don't

Lisa 20:10

be crying. They also i'm not sure they actually locked him up as well, but he was made to it, they should have some some quite some consequences because he was certainly arrested as an accessory

Sharon 20:23

right because they both planned it. Yes. And you know I hope that's gonna make people think twice yes also

Lisa 20:30

don't bring your foolishness down to the islands and even get away with it because that is not how we do things down here. No, letting y'all know y'all know who we're addressing.

Sharon 20:42

Right, right. Okay. So

Lisa 20:44

on that note, on that note, Miss Skylar Mac Mac Mac. You can wear your mask mask mask triangle back back back.

Sharon 20:57

Yes. All right. On that note, I think we're going to wrap up this after the episode.

People wear a mask Thank you for listening, wear a mask wear a mask. Bye.

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