

The Mean Girls of Congress

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CHARACTERS

SARAH PALIN

MARJORIE TAYLOR GREENE

LAUREN BOEBERT

LIZ CHENEY

TWO EXTRAS

SETTING

The Congressional Cafeteria.

TIME

January 2023.

PLACE

An alternate universe in which Sarah Palin was elected to Congress.

ACTION

(Lights come up on the Congressional Cafeteria. SARAH PALIN is looking plucky and holding a tray with a high school lunch.)

PALIN

January 2023! Oh, wait'll the lame-stream media gets a load a' me. I'm back from the wilderness and I'm ready to piss off Jon Stewart like it's 2008.

(LAUREN BOEBERT and MARJORIE TAYLOR GREENE enter. They are both wearing AR-15s like purses. The Plastics' introduction music from *Mean Girls* is playing.)

GREENE

(Pitying and snide)

Umm... Jon Stewart doesn't have a big show anymore.

PALIN

(Excited to meet them)

Wow, Lauren Boebert and Marjorie Taylor Greene! It's nice ta meet'cha, ladies. Love the AR-15s!

BOEBERT

On Wednesdays, we open-carry.

GREENE

Lauren, does my bump-stock make my butt look fat?

PALIN

Girl, no! Your ass puts that Georgia peach emoji to shame.

(Sound of gunfire. Two EXTRAS walking across the stage hit the deck.)

GREENE

That's just my ringtone, snowflakes!

(GREENE and BOEBERT both pull out their phones. They have obnoxiously patriotic phone cases. They text/scroll away while the EXTRAS slink off.)

PALIN has been looking at them expectantly, but they are not paying her one sliver of attention. Finally, PALIN breaks the silence.)

PALIN

So, what's the hot goss on the floor these days? Can you believe Liz Cheney was a dirty lib this whole time?

GREENE

I don't mean to be rude, but: who the hell are you?

PALIN

(She did not expect this)

Wha--I'm Sarah Palin! (Beat) The first woman republican vice presidential candidate? John McCain's boldest choice and biggest mistake?

BOEBERT

John McWho?

GREENE

Like, the guy from *Die Hard*?

PALIN

Oh come on, girls. This wasn't all that long ago.

GREENE

(Looking her up and down)

Judging by your outfit, clearly it was.

BOEBERT

Where'd you get it--Dolly Madison's closet?

(GREENE and BOEBERT snicker.)

GREENE

Good thing you didn't bring your gun. Muskets are so 1776.

BOEBERT

And it won't make you popular with the boys, Grandma.

PALIN

I'll have you know I'm very popular with the fellas. Why, just this morning I was talkin' to that big ol' hunk Matt Gaetz.

BOEBERT

Ha, fat chance. Even we're too old for him.

GREENE

And we don't take Venmo.

(BOEBERT and GREENE go sit at a table.  
Doggedly, PALIN sits with them.)

PALIN

(Pulls out binder)

Look at this cool poster of President Trump on my  
binder. He's so handsome, ya?

BOEBERT

Well, of course we love him, but now the hottest guy  
in the GOP is:

(GREENE and BOEBERT take out their  
binders, and on the front they have  
photos of:)

GREENE & BOEBERT

Ron Desantis! \*Sigh\*

GREENE

He's so MAGA-nificent.

BOEBERT

Stop trying to make MAGA-nificent happen, Marjorie.

GREENE

Go tank a restaurant, Lauren.

PALIN

(All of a sudden)

Wow! He's got that Big Dick Nixon Energy! (Gives THEM  
an "I'm the cool Mom!" look)

(GREENE and BOEBERT slow burn to PALIN,  
then put their binders up in front of  
their faces so they can whisper behind  
them. They both look up a couple of  
times, GREENE then BOEBERT. One last  
big snicker behind the binders. They  
lower them slowly and look at PALIN  
pityingly.)

BOEBERT

Sarah--

GREENE

We really appreciate everything you've done--

BOEBERT

The road you paved for us--

GREENE

Replacing objective facts--

BOEBERT

With alternative facts. But now...

GREENE

You really put the "Old" in GOP.

BOEBERT

And it's best if you don't sit with us.

GREENE

You're just not crazy enough anymore.

BOEBERT

So...

GREENE

Yeah...

(Awkward smile emoji faces from both of them.)

PALIN

(Broken)

But... No, I--

GREENE

(Full Regina George)

Oh come on, Sarah. Do you even know who Q is?

PALIN

(Indignant)

Well of course I do! That's the letter next to...

(Said as one letter) Ell-Em-En-Oh-Pee.

(GREENE & BOEBERT are practically in stitches now.)

BOEBERT

Wow, Sarah Pale-in comparison. Can you recite the Fourteen Words for me?

PALIN

(Trying really hard to hold it together)

I try to keep my sentences under ten...

GREENE

Sarah, you're deported. You're standing in Mexico, this table is the big, beautiful wall, and on this side (gestures to herself and BOEBERT), you're an illegal.

PALIN

(Despondent)

But, but--I can still spy on Russia from my house!

GREENE

Fox News Alert: they're on our side now!

(GREENE pushes PALIN's tray off the table like a cat pushes a tchotchke off a shelf. LIZ CHENEY enters and walks over to PALIN. CHENEY has a tiny apple and a sad brown paper bag.)

CHENEY

Hey Sarah, I'm leaving for the hearings in a bit, but you can sit with me.

PALIN

(With murder in her eyes)

I will feed your lifeless carcass to the polar bears, you treasonous piece a' shit!

(CHENEY screams as PALIN chases her off. BOEBERT and GREENE are gobsmacked.)

BOEBERT

Maybe she's okay.

GREENE

Yaass, Dear Leader.

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