

THE CLASSROOM

SEASON 1 - EPISODE 5

THE MYSTERY

1 CLASSROOM 1

FADE IN

An unknown figure in a dark cloak walks through the classroom to ominous music. The camera cuts to the figure's gloved hand as it takes the camera off of the table, and slips it into the cloak.

The camera pans to FEZ sitting in the corner of the room. He looks up in fear and confusion. FEZ watches the cloaked figure leave the room. He looks into the camera.

FEZ
(while looking into the
camera)
Hay caramba!

FADE OUT

2 CLASSROOM 2

FADE IN

MR. FAIRBANKS opens the door to upbeat music and walks to his desk whistling. He stops whistling as he looks right. The music turns ominous as the camera cuts to the desk where the camera was, which is now empty. The camera then zoom-cuts in three times with explosion sounds. Camera cuts to a vertigo shot of MR. FAIRBANKS from the neck and above.

MR. FAIRBANKS
Nooooooooooo!!!

HARD CUT

3 INTRODUCTION 3

The title song plays with the introduction video.

4 CLASSROOM

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The class is seated talking while MR. FAIRBANKS is sitting and brooding at his desk. Camera cuts around the class, and cuts to MR. FAIRBANKS as the bell rings. The class falls silent as MR. FAIRBANKS stands up angrily.

MR. FAIRBANKS

Alright!! Sometime last night, an unspeakable crime was committed in this school. (Angrily clicks through slide show) Ellen has been kidnapped!!

A missing persons poster is shown on the smart board with a picture of the camera as a few gasps and general commotion ensues. Camera cuts to CHAAD who rolls his eyes, THE BOOK NERD who is reading, and DRAMA QUEEN who is still screaming (but at a lesser volume).

CUT TO

5 CONFSSIONAL

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MR. FAIRBANKS

This is unbelievable! I can't imagine my life without Ellen! (Breaks down sobbing)

HARMONY GRANGER

Oh my gosh! Who would do something this terrible? (Tries to fake cry)

CUT TO

6 CLASSROOM

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MR. FAIRBANKS

Well whoever did it, this ends now! I am hiring RON DOE to expose this criminal at any cost.

Camera cuts to CHAAD who rolls his eyes, THE BOOK NERD who is reading, and DRAMA QUEEN who is still shocked.

CUT TO

7 CONFSSIONAL

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CONSPIRACY THEORIST

We all know it was the aliens who took it! They're still mad at us for "going" to the Moon. (Uses the air-quotes)

The CONSPIRACY THEORIST looks around nervously to make sure that no one is watching him in the confessional.

CONSPIRACY THEORIST

(leans towards the camera and the operator behind it)

Between you and me, we all know that Stanley Kubrik filmed it in a garage in Alabama.

CUT TO

8 CLASSROOM

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RON DOE reluctantly stands up and walks to the front of the class as THE HANDRAISER jumps up and down unnoticed.

MUMBLES

(inaudible mumbles)

RON DOE

What was that?

MUMBLES

(repeats what he mumbled)

RON DOE

(frustrated)

Speak up, son!

TRANSLATOR

He wants to help you catch the thief.

BOOK NERD

(butting into the conversation)

This sounds like something that Sherlock Holmes would handle!

RON DOE

You know what, Nerd- that's not a half bad idea. (Camera cuts to face) Let's do this.)

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RON DOE and MUMBLES look at each other and don Sherlock Holmes attire. They comically search the room while the rest of the class is listening to a lecture from MR. FAIRBANKS.

Camera quick-cuts between the detectives and the class. Frames are sped-up.

MUMBLES
(inaudible mumbles)

RON DOE
What??

TRANSLATOR
He found something!

Camera cuts to "Ellen's Table" where there is a pile of Cheetos dust, then back to RON SWANSON.

RON DOE
(shocked)
Could it be?

RON DOE runs his fingers over the orange dust on the table. He holds it up to his face and studies it closely.

RON DOE
(licks his fingers)
CHEETO DUST. You know what this means...

MUMBLES
(inaudible mumbling)

RON SWANSON
You're exactly right, kid. The thief must be JERRY PICKENS.

Camera cuts to the class, all of which are eating Cheetos and Doritos.

RON DOE
(pauses when he realizes that anyone in the whole class could be the thief)
This is more mysterious than LOVERBOY's secret girlfriend...

LOVERBOY
(looking up from whatever he was working on)
Hey! She's real! She's just... shy!

TOBY
(sarcastically)
Yeah, she must practically be nonexistent.

LOVERBOY
You guys just don't know her because she's in philosophy.

Everyone's heads turn to look at CREED- searching for validation to LOVERBOY'S statement.

CREED
No she's not.

LOVERBOY
(stammering)
Sh-she's in philosophy... at a different school!

CUT TO

9 CONFSSIONAL

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LOVERBOY
I swear! She's real! (starts crying) ...and she LOVES ME!

RON DOE
Someone is really trying to screw up this investigation. I have my guesses about who might've stolen the camera. Let's think about it... who's the one always eating in class?

CUT TO

RON DOE
(in front of the classroom)
Listen up everyone. We're going to be taking Cheeto dust DNA samples from all of you. Graig Beirson will analyze the lab results. (looks into the camera) We're gonna catch this crook.

Camera cuts to the confused faces of the class as GRAIG BIERSON collects the "evidence" for RON DOE.

CUT TO

10 CONFSSIONAL

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JERRY PICKENS

As a.. food aficionado, I'm a little concerned that this evidence might point towards me. (Getting nervous)B-but I swear I didn't take that camera!

GRAIG BIERSON

I feel as though I am too intelligent to participate in any sort of tests that include cheesy snack foods.. but I do love a good whodunit.

FEZ

No sé por qué hay todo este misterio. ¿No todos saben quién lo hizo? Él, literalmente, me dio una carcajada al respecto anoche.

Subtitles appear saying, "I have no idea what I really saw the other day, but I have my suspicions about who might have stolen Ellen..."

CUT TO

11 LAB

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GRAIG BIERSON takes the samples and runs a series of tests on them in the lab. Music plays while the camera quick-cuts between him and the equipment. Music fades out as the printer sounds and GRAIG BIERSON picks up the results.

GRAIG BIERSON

Oh... Oh, that's not good.

GRAIG BIERSON quickly exits the lab.

CUT TO

12 HALLWAY

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CREED exits the classroom. FEZ follows behind him, trying to be sneaky.

CREED walks into the boy's bathroom and FEZ follows.

13 BOY'S BATHROOM

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CREED comes out of a bathroom stall and FEZ is waiting in the next stall over. FEZ bursts out of the stall and pushes CREED against the wall.

FEZ
(yelling in Spanish)
Yo se que fuistes tu Credo, se que
te robastes la camara.

CREED
(in Spanish)
Y que si fui yo, que vas a hacer al
respecto... FEZZZ.

FEZ is surprised by his response and by the Spanish. He lets go of CREED and backs away slowly.

CREED fixes his shirt and walks away.

FEZ
Oh no.

CUTS TO

14 CLASSROOM

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GRAIG BIERSON enters the classroom and RON SWANSON rushes over to meet him.

GRAIG BIERSON
(hands him the folder of
results)
I have some... bad news.

As GRAIG BIERSON returns to his seat and sits down with his head in his hands. RON DOE opens the folder, reads, and then throws it into the wall.

RON DOE
Aaaaaagggggghhhh!

15 CONFESSIONAL

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RON DOE
I was so convinced that JERRY would
turn out to be the thief. I thought
that we had caught him *orange*
handed.

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TOBY

Ya bro, I still don't really know why or care where his stupid camera thing went. I don't get why everyone so freaked. (pauses and leans forward as if he is telling the CAMERA OPERATOR a secret.) Ya wanna know why I'm in this class? It's an easy "A" so that I can keep my GPA at a yossable level.

CAMERA OPERATOR

(sarcastically from behind the camera)
And how high would that "yossable" GPA be?

TOBY

(proudly after counting on his fingers)
A 2.5, my dude. A 2.5.

CUT TO

16 LIBRARY

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DEALER is leaning against the back wall of the library and reading as RON SWANSON storms up and throws him into the wall.

DEALER

(confused)
What's your deal, Doe?

RON DOE

(Angrily)
I need to know who you've been selling Cheetos to.

DEALER

Whoa, I just do school supplies, I don't mess with food or anything like that.

RON DOE

Don't lie to me.

DEALER

(quieter)
Listen, man. I have a strict code of "dealer-buyer confidentiality".

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RON DOE

Oh, so now you're suddenly a man of morals?

DEALER

(fake shock/offense)

What are you implying, Doe?

RON DOE

You have exactly 2 class periods to get me all the names of your most recent Cheeto buyers.

DEALER

Or what?

RON DOE

Well I guarantee that your "morals" won't help you in jail.

CUT TO

17 HALLWAY

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The DEALER is standing at his locker. He searches through the pockets of his trench coat and pulls out a crumpled piece of paper. He unfolds it and looks down at it, sighing.

CUT TO

18 CLASSROOM

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The DEALER walks across the classroom and hands the piece of paper to RON DOE.

DEALER

Now you better keep this on the down-low. I don't want my clients to know that I broke the confidentiality code.

The DEALER walks away.

RON DOE unfolds the paper and reads it. He looks confused/angry.

19 CONFESSIONAL

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RON DOE

Over the past week, the DEALER has only sold Cheetos to kids in physics. (sighs) Foiled again.

CUT TO

20 CLASSROOM

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RON DOE
Does *anybody* in this class know
what happened to Ellen?

Everyone in the classroom looks around nervously. No one says anything.

The camera pans to FEZ, who looks uncomfortable.

RON DOE
(yelling)
NOW'S THE TIME TO FESS UP! WHO
(pause) TOOK (pause) THE **CAMERA?!?**

The room remains silent.

RON DOE sighs in frustration and storms out of the classroom.

21 CONFSSIONAL

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FEZ
(in Spanish)
I should tell RON that it was
Creed. They just never listen to
me.

CREED
(while smirking)
Everybody's upset over nothing,
it's not even a big deal. I's sure
it will reappear eventually.

JERRY PICKENS
Hey, people still don't think I did
it, do they?

The CAMERA OPERATOR hands MR. FAIRBANKS a box of tissue from behind the camera. We just see her arm. Mr. FAIRBANKS accepts the box and nods in gratitude.

MR. FAIRBANKS
Well, (sigh) they do say that the
Lord giveth, and the Lord taketh
away. It was just (sniff) Ellen's
time to go camera heaven with
(gazes into distance) Ansel Adams
and Dorothea Lange. God rest their
souls.

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CONSPIRACY THEORIST
(carrying in a conspiracy
board)

Okay guys, here it is. I have proof
that the aliens snatched the
camera. (crazily) If you think this
board is impressive, you should see
the one I made that proves the
world is flat. Christopher Columbus
was hired by the government to lie-

CAMERA OPERATOR
(interrupting)
Uh.. are we done here?

CUT TO

22 CLASSROOM

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FEZ walks up to the DRAMA QUEEN. She turns to look at him.

DRAMA QUEEN
Do you need something, FEZ? I'm
working on my audition for the
Titanic. OOH! How's this?
(dramatically) "Jack! I'll never
let go!"

FEZ
I know who took the camera.

DRAMA QUEEN
You totally just ignored my
question.

FEZ
(sighs in frustration)

DRAMA QUEEN
That must mean it's horrible!
Thanks a lot, FEZ!(runs of crying)

FEZ shakes his head and looks around the classroom. He spots
TOBY in the corner with a football.

FEZ walks over to TOBY.

FEZ
(in Spanish)
TOBY, I know who took the camera.
You gotta believe me, man.

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TOBY
No hablo, dude. No hablo.

FEZ is growing increasingly frustrated.

FEZ walks over to HARMONY GRANGER while she is typing furiously on a computer.

FEZ
(in Spanish)
Harmony, listen to me. I know who took the camera.

HARMONY GRANGER
(slightly annoyed and not looking up from the computer)
What, FEZ?

FEZ
(repeats what he said with more urgency)

HARMONY GRANGER
FEZ, I'm in the French class. I think THE FRESHMAN is taking Spanish.

HARMONY GRANGER calls for THE FRESHMAN.

THE FRESHMAN
(appearing quickly)
Yes, HARMONY?

HARMONY GRANGER
Are you taking Spanish?

THE FRESHMAN
Well yes b-

HARMONY GRANGER
(interrupting)
I need you to talk to FEZ for me.

THE FRESHMAN nervously turns towards FEZ.

FEZ
I know who took the camera.

THE FRESHMAN
(pulling out her phone and opening Google Translate)
Okay, FEZ. Say that one more time into Google Translate.

FEZ
 (into the phone)
 I know who took the camera.

FEZ hands THE FRESHMAN her phone back and looks at her expectantly.

THE FRESHMAN
 (studying her phone)
 You did *what* with a camel?

FEZ
 (starts cursing in Spanish and storms away)

23 CONFSSIONAL

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FEZ
 (in Spanish)
 It looks like I'm going to have to deal with this on my own.

24 HALLWAY

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CREED is standing at his locker. FEZ walks up to him.

FEZ
 (in Spanish)
 Now you listen to me, Creed. You better return the camera by the end of the week. I won't tell anyone it was you, as long as you keep everyone else's name out of it.

CREED
 (in Spanish)
 We'll see, FEZ. We'll see...

25 MR. NORDLUND'S CLASSROOM

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CREED walks into the room and up to MR. NORDLUND'S DESK.

MR. NORDLUND
 (pulling the camera out of a desk drawer)
 I've collected all of the blackmail videos that I need off of this camera. MR. FAIRBANKS will be so embarrassed when I release all of his dancing videos to next year's film students.

CREED
(nods)

MR. NORDLUND
You may return it. Godspeed.

26 CLASSROOM - NIGHT

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FADE IN

The unknown figure in a dark cloak walks through the classroom to ominous music. The camera cuts to the figure's gloved hand as it takes the camera off of the table, and slips it into the cloak. The figure next unwraps a bag of Cheetos and sprinkles the dust on the desk.

27 CLASSROOM - THE NEXT MORNING

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MR. FAIRBANKS walks into the classroom with a few other students, FEZ included.

MR. FAIRBANKS walks up to his desk and sees the Ellen Camera sitting there.

MR. FAIRBANKS
(gasping in surprise)
My love has returned to me!

He picks up the camera and holds it close to himself. He then holds it out from his body and examines it.

MR. FAIRBANKS
(confused)
And my love is covered in Cheeto dust...

28 CONFSSIONAL

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MR. FAIRBANKS
(holding the camera gingerly)
You know what? I don't even care that Ellen is covered in Cheeto dust. I'm just happy to see her safely returned.

29 CLASSROOM

29

CREED walks into the classroom and sees that FEZ is looking at him intensely. The two make sustained eye contact. CREED slowly takes a seat at a desk while maintaining eye contact.

FEZ nods at him.

CREED nods back.

30 CREDITS 30

The title song plays as the credits roll.

31 THE CLASSROOM CHARACTERS 31

Mr. Fairbanks - a very passionate yet clueless film teacher who strives to make the greatest films in history and is always trying to get himself on the Ellen Degeneres Show

Mr. Nordlund - the mischievous philosophy teacher who has a rivalry with Mr. Fairbanks; he looks at life and answers questions very philosophically

Ron Doe (Isaac) - a fist pumping patriot, yet does not trust the Government; he loves meat and potatoes and hates asparagus

Harmony Granger (Roni) - a very enthusiastic brown-noser who is always trying to out do everybody and gain Fairbanks's favor

Bryan (Devin) - Mr. Fairbanks teacher's aide for three years, but still doesn't know where any of his stuff is

Jerry Pickens (Logan) - a lovable foodie who always has snacks in his backpack and is an architect of one liners The

Creed (Matthew) - a mysterious student who is in both Philosophy and Film at the same time even though it's the same class period; always up to no good

Chaad (Konner) - preppy white kid with a Californian accent, very vain, and ADHD

Mumbles (James) - a student who is always wearing a green skin suit; nobody understands anything he's saying through the suit; is frustrated when his Translator hangs out with Martha instead of him

Jason the Translator (Ethan) - Mumbles' translator and best friend; dating Martha even though she's always mad at him for hanging out with Mumbles

Martha (Sarah) - the Translator's girlfriend, very affectionate and clingy

Loverboy (Matt M) - totally smitten for a girl in Philosophy class, but we don't believe that she even exists

Craig Bierson (Max) - The Chemistry Teacher's lab assistant, always has lab goggles on with pencils in pocket or behind ear, lab book

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The Freshman (Makay) - The Hermione Granger's personal assistant who takes her notes for her and brings her coffee among other item

The Sleeper (Michael M) - a character who is always sleeping in class

The Dealer (Nick B) - school supplies

The Buyer (Michael D) - always late, always buying supplies from the Dealer

The Conspiracy Theorist (Tyler) - he hates the Ron, 3rd year senior, always trying to prove that the earth is actually flat and the moon landing was filmed by Kubrick in a garage, vegan

Toby (Clay) - the jock who thinks he's super cool, always wearing a different uniform, tossing a different ball, says "Yoss" a lot, and everyone makes fun of him, but he thinks he's hot stuff

The Drama Queen (Ruth) - over the top actress, everything is big, sings too loud -- sometimes randomly in class

Marvin (Carter) - the creepy cookie, goth/eye makeup

The Handraiser (Nick W) - over enthusiastic hand raising student who is ignored by the teacher

Fez (Gabe) - the foreign exchange student who doesn't speak English

John (Sean) - The not foreign exchange student, but everyone thinks he's foreign, but he's from Delaware

The Book Nerd (Ashley) - overly fixated on famous books, always multitasks by reading a big book

The Silent Type (Rebekah) - "the quiet girl," always on her phone

Camera operators - Rebekah, Nick, Sean

Continuity Editors - Makay, Sarah

THE PILOT (Directed Matthew)

THE MUSICAL (Sarah & James)

THE TEACHER OF THE YEAR (Fairbanks & Roni)

THE FANTASY (Devin)

THE MYSTERY (Max)

THE THRILLER (Carter)

THE GRADUATE (Roni & Fairbanks)