



Meet the funniest guy on TV

Carole Radziwill tries to have a conversation with *30 Rock* star Tracy Morgan, but ends up in tears—the good kind.

CAROLE RADZIWILL: So I'm told you have no inhibitions.

TRACY MORGAN: Nothing's taboo. I'm out there. You can ask me anything about my sex life, how I like it, what I like to do—all of that. I'm down with that.

CR: [Laughs.] Great. But let's start with your show, *30 Rock*. It's good to be Tracy Morgan right now.

TM: Yes it is! I love the character [Tracy Jordan] they created for me. I'm glad people are digging our sound. Every week something crazy is coming out of his mouth.

CR: Did you have early role models?

TM: Richard Pryor, Eddie Murphy and Martin Lawrence, those people gave me the blueprint. Because they looked like me and they sounded like me, I identified with them.

CR: You recently separated from your wife of 22 years.

TM: Yes, but I still believe in marriage. We beat the statistics. Me and my lady never stopped being friends. If I need advice, I still go to her. She's a very wise woman.

CR: Are you going to start dating again?

TM: Maybe. What about me and you? We are most unlikely.

CR: Why are we most unlikely?

TM: C'mon! People would look at me and you and go, "How did that happen?" We're from two different worlds! I'm gangsta, you a doll! I'm from the ghetto, you from the suburbs!

CR: [Laughs.] That's not true! What's the sexiest part of a woman?

TM: [For] me? The back of her kneecaps.

CR: No one's ever touched my kneecaps.

TM: Because every man don't know that! A lot of men don't appreciate the subtleties of a woman, like a long neck.

CR: You have three grown boys. Do you want more kids?

TM: Absolutely! I wanna be making kids until I'm 80. Man is God's first creation but woman is his greatest.

CR: What advice do you give your sons about women?

TM: Respect women. My father told me, "Women are like the third rail on the train track. You respect that rail!"

CR: [Laughs.] What do you look for in a woman?

TM: I love all women! I love fat women; I love skinny women; I love tall women; I love short women; I love pretty women; I love ugly women. I'm a bad boy, I'm naughty by nature, not 'cause I hate ya!

CR: Oh, Tracy. [Laughs.]

TM: Seriously, for me to be with a woman she has to be mature. I don't have time for young girls. And I'm not having sex if I don't feel anything, because I know what real love is. I've felt it, I've lost it. There's sex, then there's love. Call me a fool if you want to....

CR: Another good lesson for your sons.

TM: I don't think with my dick. When I did, it got me in trouble.

CR: Speaking of trouble, you got into some for drinking. [Morgan was arrested in 2006 for drunk driving.] What prompted you to finally give it up?

TM: The law. [Laughs.] The law and my kids. My oldest son asked me not to drink. So that was rock bottom.

CR: What's the best thing about being sober?

TM: The best thing is the personal growth. My body feels good. I feel funnier. Hey, what do you think the ladies are going to say when they read this article?

CR: They'll say, "Tracy Morgan is a decent man."

TM: That's right! I'm straight up and down. I'm six o'clock with it! I know I'm a sex symbol.

CR: Oh?

TM: Because women love a man with a sense of humor.

CR: That's true.

TM: Right now, I'm dating a woman. Her name is Comedy. She's always number one in my life, Lady Comedy. She has given me everything I ever wanted. ©

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