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The office season 5 episode guide

Episode no.Season 2Episode 1"The Dundies" Greg DanielsDirected by Mindy KalingWritten by "O.P.P." "You Sexy Thing" "Tiny Dancer" Randall EinhornCinematography by David RogersEditing by 2003[1] Original air dateSeptember 20, 2005 (2005-09-20) Running time22 minutes Guest appearances: * Melora Hardin as Jan Levinson * David Denman as Roy Anderson * Christopher T. Wood as Chili's manager Episode chronology: ← Previous"Hot Girl" Next →"Sexual Harassment" The Office (American season 2)List of episodes "The Dundies" is the first episode of the second season of the American comedy television series The Office and the show's seventh episode overall. Written by Mindy Kaling and directed by Greg Daniels, who is also a producer for the show, the episode originally aired in the United States on September 20, 2005 on NBC. The series depicts the everyday lives of office employees in the Scranton, Pennsylvania branch of the fictional Dunder Mifflin Paper Company. In the episode, Michael Scott (Steve Carell) hosts "The Dundies", the annual awards show in which he presents awards to various members of the office. But the night does not turn out as he plans, and Michael ends up angering or humiliating the majority of the office staff. Meanwhile, after Pam Beesly (Jenna Fischer) argues with her fiancé, she becomes obviously intoxicated and kisses Jim Halpert (John Krasinski). "The Dundies" was viewed by an estimated 9.0 million viewers and received a 4.3/10 rating share among adults between the ages of 18 and 49, making it the highest episode of the series since the show's pilot. The episode received positive reviews from critics. Michael Scott is the only person who looks forward to "The Dundies", his annual office awards show at the local Chili's restaurant. Many of the awards given by Michael at past Dundies, as well as most of his jokes during the "ceremony," are offensive and/or make embarrassing references to his employees' personal lives. Jim Halpert tries to dissuade Michael from once again awarding Pam Beesly the "World's Longest Engagement" award. Meanwhile, Dwight Schrute learns that there is graffiti about Michael on the ladies' room wall, and his attempts to investigate are embarrassingly unsuccessful. At the awards show, Michael's performance as MC falls flat. Ryan Howard is embarrassed when Michael awards him "Hottest in the Office". Pam's fiancé Roy Anderson and Darryl Philbin leave, taking Pam with them. In the parking lot, Roy and Pam argue, and Pam returns alone to the restaurant, where she begins soliciting partially-drank alcoholic beverages from other customers. Heckled by other customers, Michael becomes despondent and decides to end the show, but an intoxicated Pam leads the office in encouraging him to continue. Relieved upon winning the Dundie for "Whitest Sneakers" (as opposed to "Longest Engagement"), Pam gives a drunken and heartfelt acceptance speech and kisses Jim on the lips. This leaves Jim surprised, Pam's misbehavior at Chili's catches up with her when she gets caught taking other customers' drinks by a manager who vows to ban her from all chain restaurants. As they leave, Pam confesses to Jim that she was the one who wrote the graffiti. The episode was penned by Mindy Kaling and directed by Greg Daniels. It was the second episode of the series and marked a significant departure in tone, as the writers attempted to make the show more optimistic and Michael more likable. The episode also explored the supporting characters, giving them distinct personalities. The producers made some key changes to differentiate the American version from its British counterpart. "The Dundies" was filmed at a former Chili's location in Panorama City, California, where the cast had an unpleasant experience due to inadequate air conditioning and fake food. The episode underwent significant script changes to accommodate the restaurant's concerns, ultimately featuring Pam falling off her bar stool instead of vomiting. The Office's "Dundies" episode featured several memorable moments, including a scene where B.J. Novak plays herself getting drunk while Michael describes her behavior. Jenna Fischer returns to Chili's after 11-year ban lifts The Dundies is an episode from The Office television series. It originally aired on September 25, 2008. The episode starts with Pam attending art school in New York, Ryan returning to Dunder-Mifflin, and Dwight having an affair behind Andy's back. Michael meets the new HR head, Holly, who becomes his love interest. Later, the employees participate in a company-wide weight loss challenge, which has negative effects on Kelly and Dwight. Meanwhile, Jim proposes to Pam at a rest stop after she heads off to art school. The episode continues with Michael and Holly's relationship and Dwight and Angela's affair. Ryan returns as a temp, and Michael appears happy to see him. Michael invites his coworker Holly to a baby shower despite not being her father's partner. However, she shows up with her newborn daughter Astrid, and the event goes ahead anyway. During this awkward celebration, Michael struggles to connect with Astrid but finds himself drawn to Holly again after Jan tells him to stay away from her. He eventually resumes his relationship with Holly and Jim becomes increasingly jealous of their reunion. Meanwhile, Jim and Pam experience difficulties in connecting over the phone due to their tiny headsets. On a business trip, Michael visits a concierge to forget about his recent breakup with Holly, but ends up rekindling their romance. Additionally, Jim spends time worrying about Pam's absence from New York but ultimately decides not to pursue her. In other news, Dwight becomes obsessed with Cornell and tries to woo Angela again after learning of her engagement plans. Michael returns to the office after his time in Costa Rica, feeling unhappy. He conspires with Dwight to get Toby fired, but their plan fails. Ryan breaks up with Kelly, who is oblivious to the situation. Jim buys a house for his parents, and Pam seems skeptical but ultimately happy about it. In the office, Oscar discovers a budget surplus that must be spent by the end of the day. The employees disagree on how to use it, with some wanting a new copier and others preferring new chairs. This leads to tension between Jim and Pam. Michael tries to get a bonus by returning the surplus, but the staff prefers the chairs. At Schrute Farms, Dwight humiliates Andy while discussing their wedding plans, then tricks Angela into a possibly binding ceremony. However, she rejects him and shows her true feelings by kissing Andy. Phyllis plans a Moroccan-themed Christmas party, using it to bully Angela into doing her bidding. Meanwhile, Meredith gets drunk at the party and sets her hair on fire, leading to Michael's failed intervention. Michael finally tells Andy about Angela's affair with Dwight, who agrees to fight a duel to determine who wins Angela's love. The duel is unsuccessful, and neither Andy nor Dwight wants Angela after it. Michael is sent by David Wallace to spy on a family-owned paper company, but he and Dwight's plan to report the information raises moral concerns. The office holds an argument about whether actress Hilary Swank is attractive. Meanwhile, Dwight stages a fire to demonstrate the office's lack of preparedness, causing Stanley to have a heart attack. To reduce stress, Michael decides to hold a roast (of himself), where everyone tries to insult him. Michael takes his usual approach to dealing with criticism but ends up "roasting" his coworkers himself. Meanwhile, Pam and her family navigate their divorce issues, while Andy mistakes a hushed conversation for movie analysis. Michael is asked to tour other Dunder Mifflin branches, taking Pam as his assistant, and this leads to various office mishaps. In Utica, Michael has a disastrous lecture, but meets a newly married Karen who puts the past behind them. This inspires Michael to take action with Holly. Back in Scranton, Jim and Dwight forget Kelly's birthday, and they plan a pathetic celebration for her. Meanwhile, Andy tries to woo an unreceptive client and Michael's attempts at closure with Holly are foiled. Michael's lecture tour continues as he confronts Holly about their past, but she is away on a retreat. He encounters Holly's new boyfriend and has a meltdown during his lecture. Later, he finds a letter Holly wrote but never sent, which suggests she still has feelings for him. In Scranton, Jim and Dwight plan Kelly's birthday party, and eventually, make her happy. Angela becomes too attached to her new cat. Michael organizes a mixer for singles at the office and invites people from surrounding businesses in hopes of reconnecting with someone. However, his efforts are unsuccessful, while Phyllis and Bob sneak off during a lunch date with Jim and Pam. Michael comes up with a plan to insert "golden tickets" into paper shipments to give customers discounts. But when one major client gets all five, the plan backfires, and Michael tries to get Dwight to take the fall. Eventually, no one looks good. Meanwhile, Andy, Jim, and Pam give conflicting advice about how to approach a woman Kevin met at a singles mixer, and he eventually asks her out directly. New regional vice president Charles Minor comes to Scranton and shakes things up by not tolerating Michael's behavior. He cancels the party-planning committee and implements sensible office policies, which leaves Jim feeling threatened. Two Weeks: Michael quits his job at Dunder-Mifflin after being undermined by Charles. He impulsively decides to start his own paper company. Dream Team: Michael and Pam struggle to get the new venture off the ground, but they eventually recruit Ryan and secure a tiny office space. Back at Dunder-Mifflin, Jim tries to connect with Charles, who asks him to prepare an unfamiliar report. The Michael Scott Paper Company: The new company has a stressful first day, with bickering and a pathetic launch party. However, they make one sale by the end of the day. At Dunder-Mifflin, Dwight tests his friendship with Andy by competing for the affections of the new receptionist. Heavy Competition: Dwight starts secretly sharing information about Dunder-Mifflin with Michael's company, but after receiving praise from Charles, he decides to stop. A brutal competition ensues between Dwight and Michael as they vie for key accounts. Jim messes with Andy after Andy implies that Jim is unhappy in his relationship with Pam. Broke: The Michael Scott Paper Company continues to poach clients from Dunder-Mifflin due to drastically reduced prices. However, when Michael realizes his company will go bankrupt, he jumps at the chance for a buyout and returns to Dunder-Mifflin with Pam and Ryan. Charles looks foolish in front of David Wallace for relying on Dwight over Jim. Casual Friday: With everyone back at Dunder-Mifflin, Michael is once again in charge. Tension is brewing at the office as Michael assigns Ryan and Pam all the clients they previously stole from their old workplace, Michael Scott Paper Company. The other sales team members are not pleased with this decision, except for Jim who chooses to avoid the drama by hanging out with Creed. This leads to a near-coup, but ultimately Michael relents and gives back the clients, leaving Ryan without enough work to do and downgrading him to his old temporary job. Meanwhile, employees get carried away with Casual Friday and Toby decides it's time to put an end to it. He declares that the day will no longer be celebrated in the office.

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