

NO NO CAP

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From Urban Dictionary:

"No Cap: No cap basically mean that their not lying or capping like they did something. That food was good no cap. or I hit that no cap."

I/E. LA BRUNCH PATIO - DAY

A GROUP OF FRIENDS pensively wait, looking at their phones, scanning the sidewalk for a late comer, etc. Then suddenly:

FRANKIE, an aging hipster with a bucket hat, an Olivia Rodrigo tee, and pattern-clashing ensemble, leaps into a seat and struggles to get AirPods in their case.

FRANKIE

Ay, I had to park so far away I was able to listen to half of a podcast walking here, no cap!

The Friends grimace. Exchange looks.

FRANKIE (CONT'D)

But for real though, I love Fresh Air. Both: enjoying on long walks outside and Terry Gross.

PAT, a friend sitting the closest is really not having it and won't fist bump an expecting Frankie, fist extended.

FRANKIE (CONT'D)

Aw, c'mon that was solid wordplay. No cap.

PAT

Just stop it Frankie!

FRANKIE

Knock it if you want, but NPR is solid adult programming. I can't just listen to Drake all day, ya gotta grow up some time, no cap.

Another friend, DESI, who seems to be calmer tries to help.

DESI

That's what we're all here for, Frankie.

FRANKIE
 Drake/NPR mashup listening party?
 (singing) Girl, put your record o-

PAT
 What, that isn't even Drake. We're
 here because you need to stop
 saying "no cap".

FRANKIE
 Wha?

DESI
 We all feel that you use the phrase
 too much and, you know, it's imm-

FRANKIE
 Does everyone here feel this way?

Frankie stares directly at RAY.

RAY
 Strongly enough to show up on a
 Tuesday to plead with you to stop.

PAT
 I had to request a day off of work!

FRANKIE
 Hey Ray, I found a fiver on the
 ground—you still selling Molly?

RAY
 Not since McKenzie was born. Three
 years ago.

FRANKIE
 Damn. (Then.) No cap, is this an
 intervention?

	DESI		PAT
No.		Yes.	

Frankie looks around in disbelief. A SERVER walks up.

SERVER
 Hi, do we still need another minute
 here or-

FRANKIE
 Hi, could I have a menu?

SERVER

There's a QR code on the table for you. We're paperless.

FRANKIE

You don't have a single physical menu I could have?

SERVER

No. We apologize.

FRANKIE

What soup do you have today?

SERVER

I'll have to go check for you.

FRANKIE

Thanks, I only want it if that soup is bussin', no cap!

The SERVER cringes a bit, some of the Friends hide their faces. The Server walks away.

FRANKIE

The font on these menus are always so small.

PAT

Frankie, you made that waiter uncomfortable.

FRANKIE

Cringe culture is ridiculous. Why be embarrassed about what other people are doing, mind your own business, no cap.

RAY

You're not wrong--

PAT

Ugh! Ray, stop it! Frankie. Stop saying "no cap".

FRANKIE

Show me the lie! Hashtag: Facts. Hashtag: Fax machine emoji (Almost forgets, quickly)...Hashtag: no cap.

PAT

You sound absurd.

FRANKIE

You sound absurd.

Frankie stares right at Pat. Stands up. Says to the world:

FRANKIE

No! Cap!

Pat tries to pull Frankie back to a seated position.

PAT

No! No, no cap.

FRANKIE

Yes, no cap!

Pat has now risen to Frankie's level and Desi attempts to get them both seated.

DESI

No. Let's—

PAT

No, no cap!

FRANKIE

No, no-no cap!

Desi gently puts a hand on Frankie's shoulder until Frankie is back to seated.

RAY

C'mon—

Ray tries to do the same for Pat, but Pat is livid and making a scene. Ray's valiant effort does lead to Pat squirming in the chair, realizing that they are now making a scene, but failing at controlling passion as people try not to look on.

PAT

NO! NO, NO CAP! Frankie, You're too old! You're making us all look old! You asked me who Dua Lipa was the other day, you thought she was a language immersion app.

RAY

You didn't have to buy new Crocs when they came back in style, you had the same pair since 2002.

The Server walks up.

SERVER

Oh, I was born in 2002!

PAT
(quiet but intense)
Don't stand next to me!

The server leaves.

DESI
Frankie, you just walked in here
talking about NPR.

FRANKIE
Damn. Maybe I am old, no—

Frankie struggles.

FRANKIE
No c—Oh, I'm so old! Bring the
server back here, maybe I can soak
up some of their youth!!

RAY
Whoa, hey. It's ok. It's ok. You
are old.

DESI
Yeah, but, it's ok: we all are.

PAT
If it makes you feel better, I'm
just now learning this too. (Beat.)
Where did the time go?

FRANKIE
Yeah. No, I hear it. You're all
right. I'm too old...

Frankie stare wanders towards a window to watch the clouds
pass by.

Desi and Ray look at Frankie solemnly then to Pat. Pat nods.

PAT
You can say it one last time.

Frankie looks out of the window and sheds one single tear.

FRANKIE
...no cap.

BLACKOUT.