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The finale is this Thursday. But the series has not been without controversy. It's drawn comparisons with Squid Game, for the elaborate tasks that contestants are set. In September, Amazon and MrBeast were named in a US lawsuit which made a number of claims about how participants were treated on set. Following the death of Mr Darcy, Bridget (played by Renée Zellweger) is now a widow, trying to bring up two kids. She is also re-entering the world of dating, by having a fling with a much younger man - played by Leo Woodall, of One Day fame.

My colleague Colin Paterson asked Renée how she began preparing to play Bridget again. "I start trying to speak like [Bridget] before I start rehearsing," the American actress said. "So I sound a bit like I have pretences, putting on airs for a while. It's abysmal for a while," she laughed. I find that hard to believe," Leo jumped in. But Renée insisted, "it's true." Tune in to Breakfast on Monday for Colin's full interview, ahead of the film's release.