

## The joke

A plane is about to crash[1]. There are five passengers on board but there are only four parachutes. So the passengers have to make a very quick decision: which one of them will make the ultimate sacrifice? The first passenger says:

“I am Garbajosa the best basketball player in the world. The sporting world needs me, and I can not die on my fans[2]”. He grabs[3] the first parachute and jumps out of the plane.

The second passenger, Hillary Clinton says: “I am the wife of the former[4] president of the United States; I am a senator for the state of New York and I have a good chance of being the next president of the United States”. She grabs a parachute and jumps off the plane.

The third passenger, George W. Bush, says: “I am the current president of the United States of America. I have huge responsibilities in the world. Besides, I am the smartest[5] president in the history of my country and I can’t shun[6] the responsibility to my people by dying.” He grabs a pack and jumps off the plane.

The fourth passenger, the Pope, says to the fifth passenger, a young boy:

“I am old. I have lived my life as a good person, as a priest should, and so I shall leave the last parachute to you: you have the rest of your life ahead of you”.

To this the little boy replies:

“Don’t worry, old man, there is a parachute for each of us! The smartest president in American history took my schoolbag.”

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[1] About to crash: A punto de estrellarse

[2] I can not die on my fans: no puedo dejar solos a mis aficionados.

[3] To grab: vt. Agarrar, coger.

[4] Former: adj. Antiguo, anterior, ex.

[5] Smart: Listo, astuto.

[6] To shun: vt. Evitar, esquivar, rechazar, rehuir.