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00:00:00,270 --> 00:00:04,680
From the Alex Trebek Stage
at Sony Pictures Studios, this

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00:00:05,120 --> 00:00:07,720
is Inside Jeopardy!

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00:00:08,520 --> 00:00:11,930
Hello and welcome back to Inside
Jeopardy!, your exclusive and official

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00:00:11,950 --> 00:00:15,540
podcast destination for all things
happening in the world of Jeopardy!.

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00:00:15,869 --> 00:00:18,630
I'm Sarah Foss, and sitting
across from me, it's Mr.

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00:00:18,630 --> 00:00:19,189
Buzz Buzz!

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00:00:19,450 --> 00:00:20,109
He's back!

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00:00:20,830 --> 00:00:21,569
Welcome, Buzzy Cohen!

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00:00:22,240 --> 00:00:23,380
I know, what a misdirect.

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00:00:23,380 --> 00:00:25,139
I'm sure everybody was anticipating.

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00:00:25,139 --> 00:00:27,639
Michael, you know, it's been a while.

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00:00:27,659 --> 00:00:31,999
There was a period of time where
I was here at Sony, like, two or

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00:00:31,999 --> 00:00:37,859
three days a week between This Is,
Inside, all of it, and I've missed it.

14
00:00:37,939 --> 00:00:39,609
I'm so happy to be back here with my

15
00:00:39,609 --> 00:00:40,029
friends.

16
00:00:40,079 --> 00:00:41,279
Well, we've missed you too.

17
00:00:41,289 --> 00:00:42,989
We're happy to have you back.

18
00:00:43,129 --> 00:00:46,300
I have to tell you, I
went to Texas last week.

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00:00:46,690 --> 00:00:47,349
Did you check

20
00:00:47,350 --> 00:00:48,879
on George Strait's exes?

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00:00:49,560 --> 00:00:55,360
Ah, I did not, but they are living
there apparently, but I went there to

22
00:00:55,360 --> 00:00:57,400
experience the State Fair of Texas.

23
00:00:57,780 --> 00:00:58,810
Have you ever experienced it?

24
00:00:58,970 --> 00:00:59,439
I've never

25
00:00:59,440 --> 00:01:00,520
experienced the State Fair of

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00:01:00,520 --> 00:01:00,870
Texas.

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00:01:00,930 --> 00:01:01,310
Okay.

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00:01:01,310 --> 00:01:02,940
Well, Ken Jennings and I went.

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00:01:02,940 --> 00:01:04,349
I've been to the No, County Fair.

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00:01:04,399 --> 00:01:05,099
Not the same.

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00:01:05,170 --> 00:01:05,520
No.

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00:01:05,570 --> 00:01:08,844
State Fair of Texas is
the largest state fair.

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00:01:09,935 --> 00:01:10,655
Holy cow.

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00:01:10,664 --> 00:01:11,725
Over 2.

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00:01:11,785 --> 00:01:16,235
25 million people visit the
State Fair of Texas every year.

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00:01:16,655 --> 00:01:18,335
Ken Jennings and I went.

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00:01:18,365 --> 00:01:22,634
We have a new affiliate there in Dallas,
KTVT, airing at 6 o'clock, Jeopardy!

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00:01:22,634 --> 00:01:25,965
So we wanted to say hi to our friends

there and also check out the fair.

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00:01:25,974 --> 00:01:27,904

And I have to say, we did it up.

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00:01:27,904 --> 00:01:29,264

I tried a lot of things.

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00:01:29,294 --> 00:01:30,104

I've never...

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00:01:30,785 --> 00:01:33,884

Imagine you could make
fried caccia e pepe.

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00:01:34,344 --> 00:01:35,264

Ooh, that

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00:01:35,264 --> 00:01:36,154

sounds amazing.

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00:01:36,154 --> 00:01:40,374

Yes, they had an eatery booth there that
whipped up some fried caccia e pepe.

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00:01:40,425 --> 00:01:42,614

I also had fried banana pudding.

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00:01:43,045 --> 00:01:43,945

Fried banana pudding.

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00:01:43,945 --> 00:01:44,235

Okay.

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00:01:44,585 --> 00:01:49,035

I also had some nachos with chips in
the shape of Texas I had a grilled

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00:01:49,035 --> 00:01:51,765

cheese in the shape of Texas.

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00:01:51,765 --> 00:01:53,134
I had brisket.

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00:01:54,035 --> 00:01:57,425
I Feel oh, I had a pickle.

53
00:01:57,675 --> 00:02:01,384
Okay wrapped in a fruit
roll up dipped in fruity

54
00:02:01,425 --> 00:02:03,174
pebbles What on?

55
00:02:03,745 --> 00:02:05,295
God's green earth is going on.

56
00:02:07,095 --> 00:02:07,885
Was it good?

57
00:02:08,414 --> 00:02:08,825
Wow.

58
00:02:08,845 --> 00:02:09,205
No.

59
00:02:09,255 --> 00:02:11,725
Good is not the word I
would use to describe it.

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00:02:11,935 --> 00:02:15,264
The video, someone took a video of all
of us trying it, including Ken, and the

61
00:02:15,335 --> 00:02:20,465
facial expressions that one makes when
they really chomp into a pickle wrapped in

62
00:02:20,465 --> 00:02:22,075
a fruit roll up, dipped in fruity pebbles.

63
00:02:22,085 --> 00:02:22,575
It's something.

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00:02:22,584 --> 00:02:23,035

That doesn't

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00:02:23,035 --> 00:02:24,745

sound like something I want to try.

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00:02:24,775 --> 00:02:25,165

Yeah.

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00:02:25,545 --> 00:02:26,275

I don't think you need to.

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00:02:26,335 --> 00:02:29,325

It kind of blows my mind that more people go to the State Fair of Texas

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00:02:29,365 --> 00:02:31,145

than live in the state of Idaho.

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00:02:32,260 --> 00:02:33,910

That's how big it is.

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00:02:34,060 --> 00:02:35,980

And there's a giant cowboy, his name is Big

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00:02:36,000 --> 00:02:36,570

Tex.

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00:02:37,290 --> 00:02:38,600

Is he an actual person?

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00:02:38,950 --> 00:02:39,010

Oh

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00:02:39,010 --> 00:02:41,470

no, he's like several stories high.

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00:02:41,510 --> 00:02:42,340

It's a statue.

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00:02:43,049 --> 00:02:45,200

But he talks, and he waves.

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00:02:45,499 --> 00:02:51,060

And at one point he definitely said
like, Welcome, Ken Jennings of Jeopardy!

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00:02:51,110 --> 00:02:53,010

to the State Fair of Texas.

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00:02:53,030 --> 00:02:53,400

Wow.

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00:02:53,430 --> 00:02:53,940

It was cool.

82

00:02:54,210 --> 00:02:58,010

And even though I did have the pickle,
I didn't have the deep fried butter.

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00:02:58,250 --> 00:03:02,590

There was deep fried beer, there
was also a fried fireball shot, so

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00:03:02,590 --> 00:03:04,190

there were things I didn't say no to.

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00:03:04,230 --> 00:03:06,110

I do have, I do have limits.

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00:03:06,120 --> 00:03:07,580

The line must be drawn somewhere.

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00:03:07,610 --> 00:03:11,539

Yes, alright, enough about the fair,
a little bit about, I could go on.

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00:03:11,710 --> 00:03:13,880

I think Ken and I could
tell stories for days.

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00:03:13,920 --> 00:03:14,759
But back to the show.

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00:03:14,770 --> 00:03:15,589
What show are we talking about?

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00:03:15,629 --> 00:03:16,270
Well, Jeopardy.

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00:03:17,449 --> 00:03:18,200
A few things.

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00:03:18,480 --> 00:03:23,299
I want to bring up about the show
one is that I noticed some of our

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00:03:23,299 --> 00:03:26,489
viewers are starting to notice
that the contestants are calling

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00:03:26,489 --> 00:03:28,230
out the full category this season.

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00:03:29,140 --> 00:03:32,289
And this was something we
decided to try because you

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00:03:32,289 --> 00:03:33,429
know, there have been a lot of.

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00:03:33,779 --> 00:03:34,409
comments.

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00:03:34,409 --> 00:03:36,429
Can you put the category on the clue?

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00:03:36,879 --> 00:03:37,980
I don't know where they're going.

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00:03:37,980 --> 00:03:39,170
They call out these names.

102
00:03:39,170 --> 00:03:40,019
I don't know where they're headed.

103
00:03:40,019 --> 00:03:41,319
I want to kind of keep track of things.

104
00:03:41,769 --> 00:03:43,950
We looked at putting it on the
clue, but there just really

105
00:03:43,969 --> 00:03:45,669
isn't enough real estate.

106
00:03:45,679 --> 00:03:48,630
By the time you get one of these
long category titles and you're

107
00:03:48,630 --> 00:03:52,239
trying to put the text of the clue,
it really didn't work to fit it all.

108
00:03:52,390 --> 00:03:53,100
in that way.

109
00:03:53,100 --> 00:03:56,320
So we thought, let's try having
them call the full category.

110
00:03:56,330 --> 00:03:59,500
And of course, you know, we went
into it knowing if this is going to

111
00:03:59,500 --> 00:04:01,980
affect timing, if we're not going
to be able to get through the show.

112
00:04:01,980 --> 00:04:05,569
Like, we're not going to make a change
that's going to affect gameplay in

113
00:04:05,570 --> 00:04:07,999

terms of how many clues you can get through, but we've made it through

114

00:04:07,999 --> 00:04:12,229
every clue so far this season, and it doesn't seem to be impacting the timing.

115

00:04:12,679 --> 00:04:14,610
Curious if people are liking that.

116

00:04:14,780 --> 00:04:15,450
I like it.

117

00:04:15,450 --> 00:04:17,070
I know exactly where they're headed.

118

00:04:17,110 --> 00:04:20,169
And I think Michelle Hampton, who works behind the scenes, and

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00:04:20,180 --> 00:04:21,560
she's the one that actually...

120

00:04:21,950 --> 00:04:25,200
Calls up each of those clues as the contestant calls for them.

121

00:04:25,280 --> 00:04:28,140
It's got to be good for her because, you know, that's a tricky job that

122

00:04:28,140 --> 00:04:29,630
she has and she does it so well.

123

00:04:30,450 --> 00:04:31,680
But that's something new.

124

00:04:31,719 --> 00:04:32,910
Something new for know what

125

00:04:33,190 --> 00:04:33,400
you think.

126

00:04:33,429 --> 00:04:34,509

We like finding out.

127

00:04:35,005 --> 00:04:39,034

And then I also wanted to
follow up on, uh, the dragonfly.

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00:04:39,065 --> 00:04:40,515

This was pretty intense.

129

00:04:40,545 --> 00:04:41,995

I don't think you were
in the studio that day.

130

00:04:42,065 --> 00:04:42,135

I was not.

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00:04:42,135 --> 00:04:46,844

But we had a dragonfly, and I noticed
it kind of flying around in the camera

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00:04:46,844 --> 00:04:50,945

shot, and then, before I knew it, it
was nearly landing on Michael Davies.

133

00:04:51,374 --> 00:04:55,400

And so then we actually stopped
taping because, you know, You can't

134

00:04:55,400 --> 00:04:56,989

really do jeopardy with a dragonfly.

135

00:04:57,500 --> 00:05:00,909

Ken was pretty sure he had seen
it fly by him, so we stopped down

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00:05:00,909 --> 00:05:05,739

the taping and we attempt to catch
the dragonfly, first with a cup, a

137

00:05:05,739 --> 00:05:07,239

plate, no that's not going to work.

138

00:05:07,840 --> 00:05:12,030

So then we grabbed someone's
sweatshirt, it was gently taken outside.

139

00:05:12,269 --> 00:05:15,189

I was following along, you know,
with my phone, capturing the moment.

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00:05:15,580 --> 00:05:19,039

And we, we release the sweatshirt
and the dragonfly takes flight.

141

00:05:20,030 --> 00:05:23,510

And then hits the ground, and I
thought, oh no, this is not a good end

142

00:05:23,510 --> 00:05:27,480

to the story, but what I've learned is
dragonflies can't turn themselves over.

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00:05:27,520 --> 00:05:29,720

If they're released upside down,
or if they land upside down.

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00:05:29,720 --> 00:05:30,860

That's how they live
the rest of their life.

145

00:05:30,870 --> 00:05:31,360

That's it.

146

00:05:31,640 --> 00:05:35,460

Thankfully, I was right
there to scoot him back.

147

00:05:35,965 --> 00:05:37,225

On to his top side.

148

00:05:37,225 --> 00:05:37,244

Or her.

149

00:05:37,245 --> 00:05:37,675
Or her.

150

00:05:37,675 --> 00:05:39,285
I wasn't able to identify that.

151

00:05:39,565 --> 00:05:41,135
And off the dragonfly went.

152

00:05:41,135 --> 00:05:44,005
So it really was a happy
ending to our Jeopardy!

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00:05:44,005 --> 00:05:45,445
dragonfly saga.

154

00:05:45,475 --> 00:05:49,835
But I just wanted everyone to know that
the dragonfly is, is living a good life.

155

00:05:50,245 --> 00:05:50,415
Yeah.

156

00:05:50,424 --> 00:05:53,884
Um, I mean, went back to tell all his
fellow dragonfly friends what it's

157

00:05:53,885 --> 00:05:55,345
like to be on the Alex Trebek stage.

158

00:05:55,355 --> 00:05:55,775
Yeah.

159

00:05:55,825 --> 00:05:56,335
A star

160

00:05:56,335 --> 00:05:56,725
of Jeopardy!

161

00:05:56,725 --> 00:05:57,235
A star, yeah.

162

00:05:57,450 --> 00:05:58,220

That is exciting.

163

00:05:58,230 --> 00:06:03,900

I had a, I flew onto the stage a few times during uh, taping and one time I

164

00:06:03,900 --> 00:06:07,960

was invited during a rehearsal game to get to do the little scoring system.

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00:06:07,960 --> 00:06:10,860

They taught me how to do the scoring system and that was a lot of fun.

166

00:06:11,090 --> 00:06:11,969

What did you learn?

167

00:06:12,520 --> 00:06:16,009

I just kind of learned how it works like how, how they, you know,

168

00:06:16,009 --> 00:06:20,950

assign who has buzzed in, I think is automated now, but like the clue

169

00:06:20,950 --> 00:06:25,900

value, right or wrong, and then how you can adjust it, go back and change

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00:06:25,900 --> 00:06:27,090

it, how they do it for daily doubles.

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00:06:27,090 --> 00:06:27,730

I just kind of learned

172

00:06:27,740 --> 00:06:28,640

how it works.

173

00:06:28,739 --> 00:06:31,240

Did you tell Vista you can

come in and help out if needed?

174

00:06:31,360 --> 00:06:32,009

I think everyone

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00:06:32,010 --> 00:06:33,430

who's there is doing a great job.

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00:06:33,439 --> 00:06:34,399

Everyone knows I'm here.

177

00:06:34,760 --> 00:06:35,450

Uh, ready to help out.

178

00:06:36,150 --> 00:06:37,860

Always ready to help out.

179

00:06:38,740 --> 00:06:42,220

Well, we have a big show in store
for all of our listeners today.

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00:06:42,220 --> 00:06:45,400

Of course, we're going to be highlighting
last week's games, including our brand

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00:06:45,400 --> 00:06:49,360

new Champions wildcard competition,
which kicked off with our first

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00:06:49,360 --> 00:06:52,579

group, the Spades, we're calling
them, because we've got four groups.

183

00:06:52,580 --> 00:06:55,929

So, why not break them up
into different suits, I'd say.

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00:06:55,929 --> 00:06:56,949

So, the Spades were up.

185

00:06:57,289 --> 00:06:58,509

And then in prime time...

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00:06:58,745 --> 00:07:00,335

The second Celebrity Jeopardy!

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00:07:00,345 --> 00:07:04,065

quarterfinal game featuring
Brian Baumgartner, Lisa Ann

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00:07:04,065 --> 00:07:05,735

Walter, and Timothy Simons.

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00:07:06,205 --> 00:07:09,134

Also later in the show, Buzzy
and I will be joined by second

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00:07:09,134 --> 00:07:10,915

chance finalist David Mayberry.

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00:07:11,224 --> 00:07:14,745

Looking forward to talking to David about
his return to the Alex Trebek stage.

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00:07:15,404 --> 00:07:17,575

We're going to get to all of that
shortly, but first, Buzzy, we've

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00:07:17,575 --> 00:07:19,284

added a new segment to the pod.

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00:07:19,284 --> 00:07:21,965

We're calling it This Week in Jeopardy!

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00:07:21,965 --> 00:07:22,465

History.

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00:07:22,910 --> 00:07:24,140

So, let's take a look back.

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00:07:25,910 --> 00:07:26,020

music playing

198

00:07:29,200 --> 00:07:29,500
Ken?

199
00:07:29,500 --> 00:07:29,690
What's a

200
00:07:29,690 --> 00:07:30,110
perch?

201
00:07:30,120 --> 00:07:31,270
Perch, for perchance.

202
00:07:31,270 --> 00:07:32,330
Yes, less than a minute now.

203
00:07:32,370 --> 00:07:32,870
Tool time for

204
00:07:32,880 --> 00:07:33,300
200.

205
00:07:33,760 --> 00:07:37,109
This term for a long handled
gardening tool can also mean

206
00:07:37,110 --> 00:07:39,110
an immoral pleasure seeker.

207
00:07:39,689 --> 00:07:39,969
Ken?

208
00:07:40,009 --> 00:07:40,630
What's a hoe?

209
00:07:40,699 --> 00:07:41,039
No.

210
00:07:42,119 --> 00:07:42,429
Whoa.

211
00:07:42,430 --> 00:07:45,079

Whoa.

212

00:07:46,539 --> 00:07:47,209

Whoa.

213

00:07:49,299 --> 00:07:51,589

They teach you that in
school in Utah, huh?

214

00:07:51,639 --> 00:07:51,919

Al?

215

00:07:51,919 --> 00:07:52,910

What's a rake?

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00:07:52,960 --> 00:07:53,460

A rake

217

00:07:53,460 --> 00:07:53,990

is right.

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00:07:55,935 --> 00:07:57,885

That's right, it was 19 years ago.

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00:07:57,885 --> 00:08:03,275

On October 8th, 2004, when our host and
then champion Ken Jennings responded

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00:08:03,655 --> 00:08:07,614

with his now infamous what's a ho.

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00:08:09,734 --> 00:08:13,405

He was competing in his 53rd
game and up until that point had

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00:08:13,405 --> 00:08:17,520

earned Oh, a mere 1, 778, 100.

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00:08:17,979 --> 00:08:21,810

Now, although Ken did secure a runaway
win in that game heading into final

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00:08:21,810 --> 00:08:26,999
with, you know, 45, 000 as he normally
did, he still jokes today that his

225

00:08:27,000 --> 00:08:33,164
response of what's a ho Should have been
deemed correct, and he is owed that 200.

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00:08:33,405 --> 00:08:39,314
I have to say, this is probably one of the
clips that I see pop up again and again.

227

00:08:39,324 --> 00:08:40,534
It is evergreen.

228

00:08:40,985 --> 00:08:46,424
And, given my proclivity to watch things
related to Jeopardy, the algorithms, I

229

00:08:46,424 --> 00:08:51,074
would say every, once a month, I get fed
this clip of Ken saying, What is a hoe?

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00:08:51,074 --> 00:08:51,995
And it always delights

231

00:08:51,995 --> 00:08:52,225
me.

232

00:08:52,305 --> 00:08:53,365
It doesn't get old.

233

00:08:53,415 --> 00:08:53,694
No.

234

00:08:53,715 --> 00:08:54,645
You know, it's just such...

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00:08:54,645 --> 00:08:55,375
Sort of like Ken.

236

00:08:55,715 --> 00:08:56,455
Kind of like Ken.

237
00:08:56,485 --> 00:08:57,875
Yeah, he doesn't age.

238
00:08:57,985 --> 00:08:58,895
Either does his clip.

239
00:08:58,925 --> 00:08:59,005
I

240
00:08:59,005 --> 00:09:03,605
mean, I love that the contestants and
Alex have a great reaction to that.

241
00:09:03,905 --> 00:09:04,224
I know,

242
00:09:04,245 --> 00:09:05,695
that's what Alex was so great at.

243
00:09:05,704 --> 00:09:09,145
You know, those unexpected moments
that would provide comedy or humor.

244
00:09:09,255 --> 00:09:12,844
He always kept that game going right
along, but if there was something

245
00:09:12,844 --> 00:09:16,275
that needed a little bit of his
like, commentary, he was right

246
00:09:16,275 --> 00:09:17,985
there with a quick, witty response.

247
00:09:18,035 --> 00:09:18,195
And

248
00:09:19,435 --> 00:09:23,115
I loved how initially it was just like,

no, and there was sort of a Pause as

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00:09:23,135 --> 00:09:25,165
everyone starts kind of catching up.

250

00:09:25,695 --> 00:09:29,545
Ah, that's your moment in
Jeopardy history for this week.

251

00:09:29,595 --> 00:09:31,145
And what else is history?

252

00:09:31,145 --> 00:09:33,905
The first week in the
Champions Wildcard competition.

253

00:09:33,965 --> 00:09:34,615
Let's dive in.

254

00:09:34,674 --> 00:09:35,305
Let's dive in.

255

00:09:35,305 --> 00:09:37,864
We kicked it off on Monday
with Burt Thacker, Emily

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00:09:37,865 --> 00:09:40,485
Seaman Hoy, and Dane Rygaard.

257

00:09:40,885 --> 00:09:44,995
Dane, you'll remember, he
was taken down by Andrew He.

258

00:09:45,005 --> 00:09:46,445
This was an epic game.

259

00:09:46,805 --> 00:09:49,599
They both ended that game over 50, 000.

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00:09:49,610 --> 00:09:51,460
2 separating the two of them.

261

00:09:51,470 --> 00:09:55,260
Of course, Andrew, he goes on
to be a five game champion to

262

00:09:55,260 --> 00:09:57,380
be defeated by Amy Schneider.

263

00:09:57,480 --> 00:09:59,069
So this was a matchup.

264

00:09:59,069 --> 00:10:01,979
I think people were really looking
forward to seeing Dane back.

265

00:10:02,230 --> 00:10:05,629
It was a close game throughout, but Dane
did maintain the lead for most of it.

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00:10:05,629 --> 00:10:09,800
He took a 3, 600 lead heading
into final jeopardy where all

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00:10:09,800 --> 00:10:11,800
three contestants were incorrect.

268

00:10:12,274 --> 00:10:17,084
And then Dane, by the skin of his teeth,
secures the win, advancing to the semi

269

00:10:17,094 --> 00:10:22,275
finals, closed out the show by saying,
it wasn't pretty, but I got there.

270

00:10:22,715 --> 00:10:25,415
And I know people will be talking
about Dane, but what people are really

271

00:10:25,444 --> 00:10:27,855
continuing to talk about is Emily.

272

00:10:28,175 --> 00:10:29,094
In the interview.

273

00:10:29,675 --> 00:10:33,285
You know, she talks about this pyramid
that her husband and her brother do

274

00:10:33,285 --> 00:10:36,625
wherever they go on vacation, whether
it's in front of the pyramid, the

275

00:10:36,625 --> 00:10:39,925
northern lights, you name it, but they
had never had a Ken Jennings pyramid.

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00:10:39,935 --> 00:10:43,614
So, you know, we think after the
show, oh, let's get a cute picture.

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00:10:43,614 --> 00:10:44,725
They'll be in their pyramid.

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00:10:44,725 --> 00:10:45,735
Ken, you can stand by them.

279

00:10:46,474 --> 00:10:47,274
No, I'm getting in the pyramid.

280

00:10:48,175 --> 00:10:49,694
I was like, of course you are, Ken.

281

00:10:49,864 --> 00:10:51,354
So there he is, hands and knees.

282

00:10:51,354 --> 00:10:53,344
He made a strong bottom of the pyramid.

283

00:10:53,675 --> 00:10:55,374
And the things our host will do.

284

00:10:55,394 --> 00:10:57,964
He wasn't just going to
stand by the pyramid.

285
00:10:58,234 --> 00:11:00,185
He was going to help build the pyramid.

286
00:11:00,185 --> 00:11:01,864
And that's just what he did.

287
00:11:02,185 --> 00:11:05,234
Moving on to Tuesday's quarterfinal
game with Lawrence Long,

288
00:11:05,234 --> 00:11:07,724
Katrina Hill, and Greg Marrero.

289
00:11:08,355 --> 00:11:09,595
Nobody can forget Lawrence.

290
00:11:09,665 --> 00:11:10,594
He was the...

291
00:11:10,735 --> 00:11:14,325
The stay at home uncle who played
the conch shell, you know, the

292
00:11:14,325 --> 00:11:17,755
funkle, the funkle, people looking
forward to him coming back.

293
00:11:17,775 --> 00:11:19,825
And it was great style
then, great style now.

294
00:11:19,845 --> 00:11:20,905
Yeah, it continues.

295
00:11:21,475 --> 00:11:22,435
Really nice style.

296
00:11:22,795 --> 00:11:24,705
This was certainly Lawrence's game.

297
00:11:24,715 --> 00:11:26,245

It was the Lawrence show.

298

00:11:26,245 --> 00:11:28,045

He gained the lead on the very first clue.

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00:11:28,054 --> 00:11:31,485

He never looked back responding correctly to all three daily doubles.

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00:11:32,015 --> 00:11:37,595

Adding 9, 800 to his score just from those, he was incorrect in final Jeopardy!

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00:11:37,595 --> 00:11:40,355

But it did not matter, he had already secured a runaway win.

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00:11:40,435 --> 00:11:40,595

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00:11:40,595 --> 00:11:42,915

want to point out Katrina's signature.

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00:11:42,984 --> 00:11:43,514

Right?

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00:11:43,585 --> 00:11:47,365

Yeah, possible candidate for best signature at our

306

00:11:47,394 --> 00:11:48,774

hopefully upcoming Jeopardy!

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00:11:48,774 --> 00:11:48,925

Honors event.

308

00:11:48,934 --> 00:11:49,284

Oh yes,

309

00:11:49,475 --> 00:11:50,174

the Jeopardy!

310
00:11:50,184 --> 00:11:51,555
Honors are going to be back.

311
00:11:51,564 --> 00:11:54,705
Of course, Cindy Xiong
won that award last year.

312
00:11:54,705 --> 00:11:57,705
But I have to say, Katrina
has to be in the running.

313
00:11:58,185 --> 00:12:00,364
Also interesting about Katrina, she lost.

314
00:12:00,439 --> 00:12:05,280
back at the end of season 38 to
Luigi de Guzman, who went on to

315
00:12:05,280 --> 00:12:10,160
win more games in season 39 and who
will be seeing in the upcoming TOC.

316
00:12:10,510 --> 00:12:13,300
She's a big trivia fan and in
the interview she talked about

317
00:12:13,300 --> 00:12:17,489
how she actually recruited
Luigi to her pub trivia team.

318
00:12:17,689 --> 00:12:17,800
Yeah.

319
00:12:17,979 --> 00:12:18,939
It's a Jeopardy family.

320
00:12:18,989 --> 00:12:19,339
Love it.

321
00:12:19,369 --> 00:12:20,319
It just keeps going.

322

00:12:20,739 --> 00:12:25,579
I just love how everybody creates
and grows this community, you

323

00:12:25,579 --> 00:12:29,604
know, it's not just A thing that's
existing, but people are so active to

324

00:12:30,045 --> 00:12:31,665
create these ties and strengthen it.

325

00:12:31,665 --> 00:12:31,735
I

326

00:12:31,735 --> 00:12:32,005
love it.

327

00:12:32,750 --> 00:12:35,940
Pub trivia teams everywhere are
being strengthened by these ties.

328

00:12:35,990 --> 00:12:36,480
And I hope they, I

329

00:12:36,740 --> 00:12:37,580
hope they win.

330

00:12:37,630 --> 00:12:38,800
That's a, that's a question we

331

00:12:38,800 --> 00:12:39,390
should ask.

332

00:12:39,400 --> 00:12:40,160
Yeah, that's important.

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00:12:41,690 --> 00:12:44,530
Well, it's not all about winning, but
you know, on Wednesday it was time

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00:12:44,530 --> 00:12:49,259

for Evan Roberts, Kendra Blanchett,
and Jon Bessard to take the stage.

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00:12:49,659 --> 00:12:51,179
This was a very exciting game.

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00:12:51,179 --> 00:12:52,650
It all came down to the wire.

337

00:12:52,650 --> 00:12:56,390
Kendra appeared to be running
away with the win until Jon

338

00:12:56,740 --> 00:12:59,110
hit a big 6, 000 daily double.

339

00:12:59,120 --> 00:12:59,740
However...

340

00:13:00,119 --> 00:13:03,250
Kendra still maintained the lead
heading into Final Jeopardy.

341

00:13:03,719 --> 00:13:07,719
Now, John was the only one who was
able to come up with the correct

342

00:13:07,719 --> 00:13:12,249
response in final, but unfortunately
miswagered from second place.

343

00:13:12,540 --> 00:13:17,639
Although Kendra was incorrect, she
was able to wager minimally because

344

00:13:17,639 --> 00:13:21,810
she had the lead and therefore
she snuck away with the win.

345

00:13:22,330 --> 00:13:24,890
Buzzy, I have to know, what are you
thinking about that Final Jeopardy wager?

346
00:13:25,670 --> 00:13:31,599
Yeah, I'm not totally sure what John was
up to there, because even, let's imagine

347
00:13:31,599 --> 00:13:36,909
a world in which, you know, he's imagining
Kendra betting to cover, which she did,

348
00:13:36,910 --> 00:13:40,850
and it goes wrong, he still doesn't have
enough, so I think that may have just

349
00:13:40,860 --> 00:13:44,090
been a a tactical error on John's part.

350
00:13:44,090 --> 00:13:48,940
I'm not sure where that zero dollar
wager came from, but maybe he's

351
00:13:48,950 --> 00:13:52,500
imagining Kendra over playing her hand or

352
00:13:52,500 --> 00:13:53,060
something.

353
00:13:53,260 --> 00:13:56,330
Yeah, I think in that moment, I mean,
he did say in the postgame chat that

354
00:13:56,330 --> 00:14:00,530
he was kicking himself for his final
Jeopardy wager, but there's so much

355
00:14:00,530 --> 00:14:03,470
going on on the stage in that time.

356
00:14:03,670 --> 00:14:07,370
And I feel like with all these
contestants know, so often they say

357
00:14:07,370 --> 00:14:12,069
the math is what they come to dread

the most about being on Jeopardy.

358

00:14:12,069 --> 00:14:14,839

It's not a category that they
may not know the responses to.

359

00:14:15,089 --> 00:14:16,910

It's having to do math in final.

360

00:14:17,129 --> 00:14:22,170

And certainly, John is victim to
exactly all the fears happening.

361

00:14:23,119 --> 00:14:26,659

Has to feel great about a great game,
but certainly I'm sure we'll be thinking

362

00:14:26,669 --> 00:14:28,489

about that wager for many years.

363

00:14:28,599 --> 00:14:33,189

Moving on to Thursday with Brendan
Sargent, Amanda Ganske, and Joe Feldman.

364

00:14:33,479 --> 00:14:35,459

Another fantastic game.

365

00:14:35,469 --> 00:14:40,229

Brendan was in the lead, but both
Amanda and Joe found really important

366

00:14:40,279 --> 00:14:43,430

daily doubles in double jeopardy
and scored big, putting both of them

367

00:14:43,430 --> 00:14:45,119

in contention heading into final.

368

00:14:45,489 --> 00:14:48,329

All three players over 10,
000 heading into final.

369

00:14:48,329 --> 00:14:49,459
We love to see that.

370
00:14:49,850 --> 00:14:51,640
But it's Joe from second place.

371
00:14:51,640 --> 00:14:55,040
The only player to come up with
the correct response gives him

372
00:14:55,040 --> 00:14:57,520
that exciting come from behind win.

373
00:14:57,590 --> 00:15:00,850
Ken caught up with our contestants
after the game and found out the exact

374
00:15:00,850 --> 00:15:04,549
reason why Joe was able to come up
with the correct response in final.

375
00:15:04,560 --> 00:15:05,390
Let's have a listen.

376
00:15:06,419 --> 00:15:07,469
Joe, you seem very matter of

377
00:15:07,470 --> 00:15:08,129
fact about that.

378
00:15:08,130 --> 00:15:08,669
Were you, that was my

379
00:15:08,669 --> 00:15:09,659
slumdog millionaire.

380
00:15:10,190 --> 00:15:13,110
Like I was, we walked
that rift a week ago.

381
00:15:14,930 --> 00:15:15,390
All right.

382
00:15:15,390 --> 00:15:15,880
Wow.

383
00:15:17,010 --> 00:15:17,420
Um,

384
00:15:17,539 --> 00:15:19,930
so I mean, my question
is Brendan and Amanda.

385
00:15:20,204 --> 00:15:22,214
Why on earth would you not
just walk the same route?

386
00:15:22,865 --> 00:15:23,515
I was thinking the same thing.

387
00:15:23,515 --> 00:15:25,795
I mean, do you not love Jeopardy enough?

388
00:15:26,505 --> 00:15:26,984
Love that.

389
00:15:27,655 --> 00:15:28,645
Yes, I love it.

390
00:15:28,805 --> 00:15:29,255
I love it.

391
00:15:29,265 --> 00:15:31,484
First of all, I just want to say
I love close games like that.

392
00:15:31,484 --> 00:15:32,895
I love that score range.

393
00:15:32,905 --> 00:15:34,064
I love everything about it.

394
00:15:34,125 --> 00:15:35,785

And, I love when...

395

00:15:36,455 --> 00:15:41,395

Our curiosity, our love of
travel, our love of learning comes

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00:15:41,395 --> 00:15:44,075

home and can bring us that W.

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00:15:44,185 --> 00:15:45,175

Bravo, Joe.

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00:15:45,215 --> 00:15:46,075

Congratulations.

399

00:15:46,085 --> 00:15:50,485

Yeah, I think this game is just a
reflection of the quality of players we're

400

00:15:50,485 --> 00:15:52,425

getting to see in Champions Wildcard.

401

00:15:52,445 --> 00:15:55,464

All of these people have
proven they know how to win.

402

00:15:55,825 --> 00:15:57,555

They know how to come
to the stage and win.

403

00:15:57,585 --> 00:15:59,235

This isn't their first time with a buzzer.

404

00:15:59,235 --> 00:16:01,015

This isn't their first
time being on stage.

405

00:16:01,015 --> 00:16:03,984

So they're all coming back with a
little bit of confidence and you get

406

00:16:03,985 --> 00:16:06,164

to see games like this as a result.

407

00:16:06,265 --> 00:16:06,625

Love it.

408

00:16:07,005 --> 00:16:10,205

All right, we closed out the week
with Daniel Wynn, Matt Glassman,

409

00:16:10,224 --> 00:16:14,125

and Jamie Logan competing in
our fifth quarterfinal game.

410

00:16:14,260 --> 00:16:19,070

Daniel, you may remember, lost to
16 game winner, quarterfinalist

411

00:16:19,080 --> 00:16:20,650

in the TOC, Ryan Long.

412

00:16:21,010 --> 00:16:22,960

So he's certainly a memorable contestant.

413

00:16:23,000 --> 00:16:26,820

In this game, Daniel and Matt battled it
out, both hitting daily doubles in double

414

00:16:26,830 --> 00:16:30,589

jeopardy, while Jamie clawed her way back
into contention by the end of the round.

415

00:16:30,600 --> 00:16:35,100

Daniel managed to secure a small lead
heading into final with Matt close behind.

416

00:16:35,580 --> 00:16:40,770

Jamie goes all in and is the only player
to come up with the correct response.

417

00:16:41,250 --> 00:16:43,220

But Daniel with a savvy 0

418

00:16:46,920 --> 00:16:50,260
wager allowed him that very exciting
win heading into the weekend.

419
00:16:50,800 --> 00:16:51,419
So I'm Daniel.

420
00:16:51,419 --> 00:16:51,949
I'm watching.

421
00:16:51,959 --> 00:16:54,799
It's been a tough week of Final Jeopardy.

422
00:16:54,800 --> 00:16:58,389
So he's had a chance to, as his
other opponents have, to kind of

423
00:16:58,399 --> 00:17:02,129
gauge the difficulty of the material.

424
00:17:02,289 --> 00:17:06,430
We're talking about Daniel's zero,
but I think Matt was also playing the

425
00:17:06,430 --> 00:17:08,429
same strategy that this is hard stuff.

426
00:17:09,494 --> 00:17:13,545
We're probably going to play on the
quote unquote negative side, like

427
00:17:13,555 --> 00:17:14,885
we're all going to get it wrong.

428
00:17:15,245 --> 00:17:16,954
And so I think it makes a lot of sense.

429
00:17:16,985 --> 00:17:21,845
The more you know going into final,
the more savvy you can make your wager.

430
00:17:21,994 --> 00:17:26,164

And so I think what we're seeing is
this Friday game, these contestants

431

00:17:26,174 --> 00:17:29,995
have been able to acclimate a
little bit to the level of question.

432

00:17:29,995 --> 00:17:32,375
So I want to say bravo to
Daniel, Matt, and Jamie.

433

00:17:32,375 --> 00:17:35,805
I think they all made very smart
wagers for where they were.

434

00:17:36,360 --> 00:17:39,820
Well, and you bring up a good point,
because unlike previous tournaments

435

00:17:39,820 --> 00:17:43,590
we've had, where there's those wild
card spots, and so everybody has to

436

00:17:43,600 --> 00:17:45,730
be sequestered, that's not the case.

437

00:17:45,750 --> 00:17:50,529
So all of these 27 competitors
were there, front row, seeing the

438

00:17:50,529 --> 00:17:52,159
games, watching what's happening.

439

00:17:52,219 --> 00:17:57,209
So certainly, I think some, some gameplay
and some strategy does start to go in.

440

00:17:57,605 --> 00:17:58,365
to effect.

441

00:17:58,825 --> 00:18:04,865
My favorite moment of this game was
when Matt called S words for 1200 and

442

00:18:04,865 --> 00:18:06,725

Ken responded, I think it's swords.

443

00:18:06,784 --> 00:18:11,904

I have to say, when I saw that category,
I'm so, you know, just tuned into

444

00:18:11,904 --> 00:18:14,964

the SNL sketches that I even thought.

445

00:18:15,115 --> 00:18:15,945

It was S words.

446

00:18:15,945 --> 00:18:18,245

Like when Ken said swords, I
was like, what's he saying?

447

00:18:18,254 --> 00:18:20,254

And I was like, wait,
this is real Jeopardy.

448

00:18:20,294 --> 00:18:21,425

This isn't SNL.

449

00:18:22,105 --> 00:18:26,735

Well, speaking of SNL, we're now
going to head into Celebrity Jeopardy.

450

00:18:27,015 --> 00:18:30,125

Wednesday night in primetime
for the second quarterfinal

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00:18:30,145 --> 00:18:33,734

game, Brian Baumgardner, Lisa
Ann Walter, Timothy Simons.

452

00:18:34,264 --> 00:18:37,215

I have to point out a really cool moment
that happened right before the show.

453

00:18:37,575 --> 00:18:40,865

You know, Ken always comes out and introduces himself to the celebrities

454

00:18:40,865 --> 00:18:42,245
before the cameras are rolling.

455

00:18:42,245 --> 00:18:45,864
And, you know, he said, I have to tell you three, there's a good case to be made that

456

00:18:45,864 --> 00:18:48,984
the office Abbott elementary and Veep.

457

00:18:49,420 --> 00:18:52,360
are the three best shows of the century and of course we

458

00:18:52,360 --> 00:18:53,680
had a star from each of them.

459

00:18:54,130 --> 00:18:56,650
Our celebrities were very grateful to hear that from Ken.

460

00:18:56,660 --> 00:18:59,650
I'm sure that helped at least build their confidence a little bit

461

00:18:59,650 --> 00:19:01,400
before they headed into the game.

462

00:19:01,410 --> 00:19:04,819
It was a close one between all three celebrities throughout both Jeopardy!

463

00:19:04,850 --> 00:19:05,949
and Double Jeopardy!

464

00:19:06,320 --> 00:19:09,110
Lisa Anne started pulling away in Triple Jeopardy!

465

00:19:09,110 --> 00:19:12,330
and she managed to secure a
runaway score on the last...

466
00:19:12,635 --> 00:19:18,045
clue of the round by just 100,
locking up that quarterfinal win.

467
00:19:18,375 --> 00:19:21,905
All three players were correct in
final, but it was really all about

468
00:19:21,915 --> 00:19:23,455
bragging rights at that point.

469
00:19:23,875 --> 00:19:27,234
One theme throughout in the
interview, Lisa Anne first talked

470
00:19:27,234 --> 00:19:28,614
about growing up watching Jeopardy!

471
00:19:28,614 --> 00:19:32,445
with her mom, and that in the last
years of her mom's life, they would,

472
00:19:32,785 --> 00:19:36,325
you know, watch every night, and
her mom was still answering all of

473
00:19:36,325 --> 00:19:39,415
the clues correctly, and just how
much she had learned from her mom.

474
00:19:39,415 --> 00:19:41,315
And then, at the end, it was...

475
00:19:41,385 --> 00:19:43,815
It was an emotional win for Lisa Anne.

476
00:19:43,815 --> 00:19:47,405
In the post game chat, you know, Ken
said, what an amazing tribute to your mom.

477
00:19:47,405 --> 00:19:49,185
And Lisa Anne said she was such a fan.

478
00:19:49,655 --> 00:19:50,635
She really loved it.

479
00:19:51,170 --> 00:19:55,690
She was so brilliant at it, and if I
know anything, it's because of her.

480
00:19:55,710 --> 00:19:59,950
I just, that was such a fun, full
circle moment to see her, you know,

481
00:19:59,950 --> 00:20:03,550
be able to give credit to her mom and
then come away with a runaway win.

482
00:20:03,620 --> 00:20:05,649
Really excited to see
her in the semifinals.

483
00:20:05,760 --> 00:20:09,440
I just want to say, I know I have an open
invitation, but the fact that none of

484
00:20:09,440 --> 00:20:13,670
you gave me a heads up that these three
were playing at Celebrity to invite me

485
00:20:13,670 --> 00:20:15,180
to come, I'm a little cranky about it.

486
00:20:15,520 --> 00:20:16,659
You know, but I got to watch

487
00:20:16,720 --> 00:20:17,230
at home.

488
00:20:17,270 --> 00:20:19,679
All our celebrities are great celebrities.

489

00:20:19,690 --> 00:20:22,190

So how did we know how
to identify this game?

490

00:20:22,250 --> 00:20:23,030

Any other,

491

00:20:23,060 --> 00:20:24,649

come on, you guys know me.

492

00:20:25,010 --> 00:20:27,230

And also, I mean, we talked
about Lisa and Walter from Abbott

493

00:20:27,239 --> 00:20:30,649

elementary, but the real Lisa and
Walter heads are going parent trap.

494

00:20:30,649 --> 00:20:32,350

I mean, what an iconic role.

495

00:20:32,379 --> 00:20:36,919

I mean, she was the greatest
para parent maybe ever on film.

496

00:20:36,919 --> 00:20:39,110

She's up there for me, but wow.

497

00:20:39,260 --> 00:20:40,389

She played great.

498

00:20:40,600 --> 00:20:42,719

I just want to call out
her stats really quick.

499

00:20:43,040 --> 00:20:46,800

25 buzzer attempts in Jeopardy
round, 25 in the double Jeopardy

500

00:20:46,800 --> 00:20:48,159

and 19 in triple Jeopardy.

501

00:20:48,159 --> 00:20:51,290

That is someone who knows
their stuff and all of these

502

00:20:51,300 --> 00:20:53,520

celebrities did incredibly well.

503

00:20:53,550 --> 00:20:55,050

Not a lot of wrong answers.

504

00:20:55,050 --> 00:20:57,539

I'm just, I was really, really
impressed with the gameplay.

505

00:20:57,980 --> 00:21:01,379

Yeah, it was a great game, and I want
to point out again, Celebrity Jeopardy,

506

00:21:01,379 --> 00:21:06,800

we knew ABC had ordered this before the
strikes began, so all of these games were

507

00:21:06,810 --> 00:21:13,010

pre written before the writers strike
began, and in terms of our celebrities,

508

00:21:13,040 --> 00:21:18,384

obviously SAG AFTRA's strike is still
going on, so not able to talk 38 a month.

509

00:21:18,385 --> 00:21:23,135

individual projects but able to come
on our show because we as a game show

510

00:21:23,145 --> 00:21:25,635

follow the SAG AFTRA network code.

511

00:21:25,645 --> 00:21:29,475

So our contract negotiations
actually not up until next year.

512

00:21:29,475 --> 00:21:33,064
So it allows for our celebrities to come
on the show, obviously not to promote

513
00:21:33,205 --> 00:21:37,160
any of their projects personally, But
to raise a lot of money for charity.

514
00:21:37,200 --> 00:21:41,839
Any celebrity coming on Celebrity Jeopardy
knows that they're leaving with 30, 000.

515
00:21:41,840 --> 00:21:45,270
Even if they don't answer a
single clue correctly, they're

516
00:21:45,270 --> 00:21:47,239
getting 30, 000 for their charity.

517
00:21:47,270 --> 00:21:51,909
And then there's an opportunity to
win up to 1 million for a charity.

518
00:21:51,909 --> 00:21:56,589
So really, I just applaud everyone
who's coming on the show and putting

519
00:21:56,589 --> 00:21:59,490
your egos on the line to earn
some good money for charity and

520
00:21:59,510 --> 00:22:01,200
certainly entertain us along the way.

521
00:22:01,500 --> 00:22:02,300
Absolutely.

522
00:22:03,190 --> 00:22:05,110
And now a quick word from our sponsor.

523
00:22:07,040 --> 00:22:10,580
Selling a little or a lot
Shopify helps you do your thing.

524

00:22:10,590 --> 00:22:15,160

However, you cha ching Shopify is the
global commerce platform that helps you

525

00:22:15,160 --> 00:22:19,859

sell at every stage of your business
from the launcher online shop stage

526

00:22:19,910 --> 00:22:24,120

to the first real life store stage,
all the way to the, did we just hit a

527

00:22:24,120 --> 00:22:29,110

million orders stage Shopify is there
to help you grow Shopify helps you sell.

528

00:22:29,810 --> 00:22:33,390

From their all in one e commerce
platform to their in person point of

529

00:22:33,390 --> 00:22:37,940

sale system, wherever and whatever you're
selling, Shopify's got you covered.

530

00:22:38,059 --> 00:22:40,760

They help you turn browsers
into buyers with the internet's

531

00:22:41,000 --> 00:22:42,340

best converting checkout.

532

00:22:42,510 --> 00:22:46,679

36 percent better on average compared
to other leading commerce platforms.

533

00:22:46,829 --> 00:22:50,110

What I love about Shopify
is how user friendly it is.

534

00:22:50,120 --> 00:22:54,520

It's so easy to build the webshop
of your dreams and Shopify gives you

535
00:22:54,640 --> 00:22:59,550
everything you need to take control and
take your business to that next level.

536
00:22:59,620 --> 00:23:02,639
Shopify powers 10 percent
of all e commerce in the U.

537
00:23:02,639 --> 00:23:02,789
S.

538
00:23:02,790 --> 00:23:06,999
They're the global force behind
Allbirds, Rothy's, and Brooklyn and

539
00:23:07,009 --> 00:23:12,020
millions of other entrepreneurs of
every size across 175 countries.

540
00:23:12,170 --> 00:23:16,840
Plus, Shopify's award winning help is
there to support your success every

541
00:23:16,840 --> 00:23:20,580
step of the way because businesses
that grow, grow with Shopify.

542
00:23:20,705 --> 00:23:24,235
Sign up for a 1 per month
trial period at shopify.

543
00:23:24,255 --> 00:23:26,915
com slash jeopardy, all lowercase.

544
00:23:26,955 --> 00:23:27,955
Go to shopify.

545
00:23:27,985 --> 00:23:32,305
com slash jeopardy now to grow your
business no matter what stage you're in.

546

00:23:32,365 --> 00:23:33,175
Shopify.

547
00:23:33,185 --> 00:23:34,554
com slash jeopardy.

548
00:23:36,504 --> 00:23:40,434
You can understand sounds no matter
what language you speak or are learning.

549
00:23:41,055 --> 00:23:41,549
Like that.

550
00:23:41,690 --> 00:23:43,560
The sound of a right answer in Babbel.

551
00:23:43,590 --> 00:23:46,320
This fall, you can start speaking
a new language with Babbel.

552
00:23:46,399 --> 00:23:46,960
Why Babbel?

553
00:23:46,980 --> 00:23:48,100
Because it works.

554
00:23:48,129 --> 00:23:52,129
Instead of paying hundreds of dollars for
a private tutor, Babbel's quick 10 minute

555
00:23:52,129 --> 00:23:56,439
lessons are designed by over 150 language
experts to help you start speaking a new

556
00:23:56,439 --> 00:23:58,510
language in as little as three weeks.

557
00:23:58,579 --> 00:24:00,460
Babbel is designed by real people.

558
00:24:00,595 --> 00:24:02,225
for real conversations.

559

00:24:02,285 --> 00:24:04,765
All of Babbel's tips and tools
for learning a new language are

560

00:24:04,765 --> 00:24:08,765
approachable, accessible, rooted in
real life situations, and delivered

561

00:24:08,795 --> 00:24:10,845
with conversation based teaching.

562

00:24:10,895 --> 00:24:14,354
All of you know what a fashion lover
I am, so when I found myself in Paris

563

00:24:14,355 --> 00:24:16,665
this summer, I had to do some shopping.

564

00:24:16,705 --> 00:24:20,225
And Babbel's French courses helped
me navigate the shopping experience.

565

00:24:20,225 --> 00:24:24,125
With over 10 million subscriptions
sold, Babbel is real language learning.

566

00:24:24,345 --> 00:24:26,024
For real conversations.

567

00:24:26,044 --> 00:24:29,355
Here is a very special limited
time deal for our listeners

568

00:24:29,355 --> 00:24:31,105
to get you started right now.

569

00:24:31,155 --> 00:24:34,534
Get 55 percent off your
Babbel subscription but only

570

00:24:34,534 --> 00:24:36,204

for our listeners at babel.

571

00:24:36,215 --> 00:24:38,095
com slash insidej.

572

00:24:38,154 --> 00:24:40,394
Get 55 percent off at babel.

573

00:24:40,394 --> 00:24:42,294
com slash insidej.

574

00:24:42,335 --> 00:24:46,665
Spelled B A B B E L dot com slash insidej.

575

00:24:46,705 --> 00:24:48,445
Rules and restrictions may apply.

576

00:24:48,840 --> 00:24:50,790
Now, back to Inside Jeopardy!

577

00:24:52,060 --> 00:24:53,850
Well, that's it for our game highlights.

578

00:24:53,860 --> 00:24:55,660
Now it's time to welcome Jeopardy!

579

00:24:55,670 --> 00:25:00,390
champion and second chance
finalist, David Mayberry to the pod.

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00:25:00,400 --> 00:25:01,900
David, thank you for joining us.

581

00:25:02,009 --> 00:25:02,819
Thank you for having me.

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00:25:02,820 --> 00:25:03,760
It's great to be here.

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00:25:04,320 --> 00:25:06,150
And great to hear the new title.

584

00:25:06,999 --> 00:25:08,180

Has it settled in yet?

585

00:25:08,200 --> 00:25:10,399

You know, knowing that you
are forever a Jeopardy!

586

00:25:10,399 --> 00:25:10,999

champion?

587

00:25:11,189 --> 00:25:13,629

Once it got on the air,
it took a few days.

588

00:25:13,659 --> 00:25:16,899

Because I'd had a couple years
of just being a contestant.

589

00:25:17,489 --> 00:25:20,370

And then like when I'm hanging out
with other people who have one and they

590

00:25:20,370 --> 00:25:24,740

introduce us collectively as champions
having to raise my hand and, no, not me.

591

00:25:25,100 --> 00:25:27,710

Um, it's, it's saved a little bit there.

592

00:25:27,710 --> 00:25:29,639

So it's starting to

593

00:25:29,639 --> 00:25:30,070

get there.

594

00:25:30,159 --> 00:25:36,320

Now you first appeared back in
January of 2021, some interesting

595

00:25:36,320 --> 00:25:40,989

times, I will say, when you first

appeared on the Alex Trebek stage.

596

00:25:41,040 --> 00:25:44,794

What was it like to have that experience and think that was it?

597

00:25:44,975 --> 00:25:46,814

That was my one and done for Jeopardy!

598

00:25:46,995 --> 00:25:50,644

It was bizarre in a lot of ways, especially because the first time

599

00:25:50,644 --> 00:25:54,034

I was there, when I was appearing as an alternate, it turned out

600

00:25:54,034 --> 00:25:55,464

to be Alex Trebek's last show.

601

00:25:56,335 --> 00:25:59,185

And so it was there very much deep in the COVID rules, and then I was

602

00:25:59,185 --> 00:26:02,344

delayed for almost two months, which wound up being an enormous amount of

603

00:26:02,345 --> 00:26:04,235

prep time, and it was over Christmas.

604

00:26:04,645 --> 00:26:08,475

So I really had the time to pour hours and hours into it, and I came in there.

605

00:26:09,055 --> 00:26:13,035

Uh, really hot, really sure I was going to do a lot, and statistically go back,

606

00:26:13,035 --> 00:26:17,955

I had a good game, and then for that to be it, like, and for it to just be over

607
00:26:17,955 --> 00:26:21,495
in 20 minutes, it was a real shock, and
back then it was social distancing, we

608
00:26:21,495 --> 00:26:25,684
were supposed to stay apart, and that
was very easy for everyone to keep a good

609
00:26:25,684 --> 00:26:29,485
distance from me for a while, because I
was definitely not ready for human contact

610
00:26:29,495 --> 00:26:33,705
till after lunch that day, but I, I
decided I was going to stay and be a good

611
00:26:33,705 --> 00:26:37,434
audience member for everyone else playing,
which was kind of a good start to it.

612
00:26:37,435 --> 00:26:37,569
Thank you.

613
00:26:38,129 --> 00:26:42,750
But the loneliness of the experience
was what was really hard, and that was

614
00:26:42,760 --> 00:26:46,310
versus Second Chance when I got to come
back to a full studio, having family

615
00:26:46,310 --> 00:26:49,790
there, being in a green room with all
the contestants, and really getting to

616
00:26:49,800 --> 00:26:54,179
connect with everyone was what made that
second trip a much better experience.

617
00:26:54,179 --> 00:26:58,080
But there was, there was a long process
there, and that, and that ultimately

618

00:26:58,080 --> 00:27:01,249
was the birth of my blog, because
that was a form of self therapy.

619

00:27:01,439 --> 00:27:06,319
Well, before we get into the blog, which
we absolutely love, I have to question,

620

00:27:06,320 --> 00:27:11,415
or I have to ask you, when We first
announced the season 38 second chance

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00:27:11,765 --> 00:27:15,735
and you hear for the first time that
people are being asked to have a second

622

00:27:15,735 --> 00:27:21,004
chance but you, like, just miss out
based on when you competed in season 37.

623

00:27:21,515 --> 00:27:23,295
What was that period like for you?

624

00:27:23,314 --> 00:27:25,894
Because it's almost like you have
to mourn something that you never

625

00:27:25,895 --> 00:27:26,905
knew you would have to be sad

626

00:27:26,905 --> 00:27:27,365
about.

627

00:27:27,485 --> 00:27:30,675
When it first came out I had such huge
chills when it was announced and it almost

628

00:27:30,675 --> 00:27:34,565
seemed like, okay, maybe there's a chance
to fix this and where it all went wrong.

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00:27:35,270 --> 00:27:38,520

Then as the timeline came out and
looking at it and realizing that

630

00:27:38,520 --> 00:27:40,230
I was on just before the TOC.

631

00:27:40,900 --> 00:27:44,380
And so I was out by a few weeks and
then questioning about the timing.

632

00:27:44,900 --> 00:27:48,060
That was a little strange, but then I kind
of just sort of put it out of my mind.

633

00:27:48,179 --> 00:27:51,769
But then when Rowan Ward let me
know that they had gotten the call,

634

00:27:52,279 --> 00:27:54,119
because Rowan and I had already
become pretty close by then.

635

00:27:54,690 --> 00:27:58,030
Which was kind of moment submitted for
me that I wasn't going to get the call.

636

00:27:58,690 --> 00:28:03,760
That was a good day to day funk
where I really had to kind of

637

00:28:03,760 --> 00:28:06,590
process that again and realize
like, okay, this is where it is.

638

00:28:06,599 --> 00:28:07,950
And this is the end of that story.

639

00:28:08,030 --> 00:28:10,719
That's when I decided, okay, the
commitment here is going to be that

640

00:28:10,719 --> 00:28:12,400
I'm all in on helping Rowan go in.

641

00:28:12,820 --> 00:28:15,699

And so our entire friend group,
we all committed to that.

642

00:28:15,859 --> 00:28:18,530

And that became, you know, again,
connect the blog became a better

643

00:28:18,530 --> 00:28:21,869

place to put that energy and to
turn it into something productive.

644

00:28:22,125 --> 00:28:27,995

Well, and certainly the friend group
play paid off because Rowan had an

645

00:28:27,995 --> 00:28:30,635

incredible second chance appearance.

646

00:28:30,665 --> 00:28:32,525

I mean, they just completely dominated.

647

00:28:33,135 --> 00:28:36,425

Yeah, and it was electric
being in that studio, too, when

648

00:28:36,425 --> 00:28:37,504

we were there watching that.

649

00:28:37,915 --> 00:28:42,065

And, um, Jack Weller had played
a bit with our group as well.

650

00:28:42,445 --> 00:28:46,865

So, in the preceding game, we saw Jack
just edge himself into a locked game.

651

00:28:47,419 --> 00:28:49,439

And that was a moment where we're
collectively looking at each

652

00:28:49,439 --> 00:28:51,490
other like, this stuff might work.

653
00:28:51,800 --> 00:28:52,139
Right.

654
00:28:52,189 --> 00:28:57,240
And then Rowan came out and just, yeah,
absolutely had a monster, monster game.

655
00:28:57,240 --> 00:28:59,200
And I, I really could
not be prouder of them.

656
00:28:59,450 --> 00:29:06,169
So fast forward, it's early in the
summer of 2023 and you get a call.

657
00:29:06,530 --> 00:29:08,370
Talk me through that experience.

658
00:29:08,409 --> 00:29:13,399
So the other funny bit of backstory
was about three weeks before that call.

659
00:29:13,649 --> 00:29:14,320
I had.

660
00:29:14,790 --> 00:29:15,390
Bombed.

661
00:29:15,460 --> 00:29:16,760
A Wheel of Fortune audition.

662
00:29:17,480 --> 00:29:17,800
Absolutely.

663
00:29:18,320 --> 00:29:20,650
I'd gone out for the
show and it was terrible.

664
00:29:20,880 --> 00:29:23,890

Halfway through, the casting coordinator was saying, Hey, I need more from you.

665

00:29:24,480 --> 00:29:25,950
Like, okay, this isn't good.

666

00:29:26,240 --> 00:29:29,010
And so then I get a call from, and it shows up because I still have,

667

00:29:29,060 --> 00:29:30,690
uh, John's number saved on my phone.

668

00:29:31,160 --> 00:29:33,970
And my first thought was, oh, do they have him doing Wheel now?

669

00:29:34,550 --> 00:29:34,880
Um.

670

00:29:35,969 --> 00:29:39,770
And then he tells me that this is for Jeopardy, and I was working

671

00:29:39,770 --> 00:29:41,889
on something in my car at the moment, in the garage, and so it

672

00:29:41,889 --> 00:29:43,679
actually came up on my car system.

673

00:29:44,199 --> 00:29:46,469
And so he starts by saying, hey, are you somewhere by yourself?

674

00:29:47,185 --> 00:29:50,935
And I am the most by myself I can possibly be at this point.

675

00:29:51,800 --> 00:29:52,840
Yeah, this is fine.

676

00:29:52,840 --> 00:29:53,390
We can talk.

677
00:29:53,390 --> 00:29:54,570
And then he's letting me in on this.

678
00:29:54,570 --> 00:29:58,590
And then it's, there's this huge
moment of, okay, I want to tell

679
00:29:58,610 --> 00:30:03,870
everyone and I can tell no one
this very intense contradiction of

680
00:30:03,870 --> 00:30:04,910
like, okay, I have to find a place.

681
00:30:04,950 --> 00:30:08,050
So eventually I, I cracked
in, uh, let Rowan know.

682
00:30:08,590 --> 00:30:10,680
And I let Matea know because.

683
00:30:10,885 --> 00:30:13,635
You know, there's some story there as
well, and like, okay, they know the

684
00:30:13,635 --> 00:30:17,775
rules, they understand, and that's
when Rowan got to revenge everything

685
00:30:17,775 --> 00:30:20,785
we had done to Rowan the year before
to get them ready for second chance.

686
00:30:21,155 --> 00:30:22,065
Exactly.

687
00:30:22,065 --> 00:30:24,915
I mean, you guys had intense training.

688

00:30:24,925 --> 00:30:26,005
You went to work.

689
00:30:26,615 --> 00:30:29,935
As somebody who loves the intense
prep and training, I'm curious if

690
00:30:29,935 --> 00:30:33,305
you want to share, maybe just a
little color of what What did that

691
00:30:33,315 --> 00:30:35,475
look like for Rowan and for you?

692
00:30:35,525 --> 00:30:35,915
Sure.

693
00:30:35,955 --> 00:30:39,925
So for Rowan, it was a bit more
interesting because Rowan also happened

694
00:30:39,925 --> 00:30:43,085
at a time where all of us in our
group still had a lot of spare time.

695
00:30:43,795 --> 00:30:47,355
So it was more like Rocky,
like we were kind of boxing

696
00:30:47,355 --> 00:30:48,915
kangaroos, chasing chickens.

697
00:30:48,955 --> 00:30:53,245
We wrote a special board for Rowan
where there were four times as many

698
00:30:53,245 --> 00:30:57,005
daily doubles so that we could go
through that stress of having to figure

699
00:30:57,005 --> 00:31:00,245
out what to bid and thinking about
that every time to demystify that.

700

00:31:00,315 --> 00:31:03,015
I went through Rowan's entire
trivia history on Learned League.

701

00:31:03,535 --> 00:31:06,665
Figured out what all of Rowan's
worst categories were and wrote

702

00:31:06,665 --> 00:31:08,315
about 10 boards of nothing but that.

703

00:31:08,905 --> 00:31:09,335
Wow.

704

00:31:09,715 --> 00:31:13,515
And just trying to come in and say, okay,
we're going to attack your weaknesses

705

00:31:13,515 --> 00:31:17,285
because at the end of the day, getting
a little bit better at what you're good

706

00:31:17,285 --> 00:31:22,675
at probably won't get you anything,
but getting off zero on a weak category

707

00:31:22,675 --> 00:31:24,115
can get you three or four questions.

708

00:31:25,055 --> 00:31:28,225
And it was really a daily thing
where we would every day meet.

709

00:31:28,245 --> 00:31:30,285
We would go through some
archive games together.

710

00:31:30,895 --> 00:31:33,065
A lot of it was discussing
buzzer practice.

711

00:31:33,065 --> 00:31:35,545
So we had, we had an app that
we were using on the web.

712
00:31:35,735 --> 00:31:39,635
We can control buzzer timing to test
technique and develop a rhythm because

713
00:31:39,635 --> 00:31:44,315
the real skill that we're trying to
develop isn't necessarily being fast.

714
00:31:44,765 --> 00:31:46,375
And this is one of the things a
lot of people don't understand.

715
00:31:46,385 --> 00:31:47,885
It's not about speed.

716
00:31:48,315 --> 00:31:48,995
It's about rhythm.

717
00:31:50,005 --> 00:31:53,445
It's about knowing when to do
it in sequence of the question.

718
00:31:53,935 --> 00:31:57,845
And it's the real skill we were
trying to develop wasn't getting the

719
00:31:57,845 --> 00:31:59,975
right beat, but being able to adjust.

720
00:32:00,265 --> 00:32:00,545
Right.

721
00:32:00,605 --> 00:32:03,425
And one of the things we saw is that
some of the people who do really well

722
00:32:03,425 --> 00:32:06,715
on the buzzer tend to be baseball
players because they have that

723
00:32:06,715 --> 00:32:10,705
same skill of having to sync up a
complicated mechanism on a certain time.

724
00:32:11,490 --> 00:32:14,600
And so that's what we were really
working on too, was how can we dial

725
00:32:14,600 --> 00:32:19,060
that in to where you're really confident
that once you get on stage, three,

726
00:32:19,060 --> 00:32:21,710
four questions in, you've got it, you
know, when you're doing it and you're

727
00:32:21,710 --> 00:32:23,010
getting everything that's yours.

728
00:32:24,070 --> 00:32:27,480
And then the next year, when I came
around, we had different availability,

729
00:32:27,480 --> 00:32:29,700
although everyone was very, very
committed, but we also had a much

730
00:32:29,700 --> 00:32:32,730
larger group because now we had
established a lot more people in this.

731
00:32:33,235 --> 00:32:36,995
And so there was a mix of me going
through the archive games alone, which

732
00:32:36,995 --> 00:32:40,155
is a lot of the statistics that I put
on the blog come from that, of just

733
00:32:40,155 --> 00:32:43,575
going through and getting reps and doing
hundreds of thousands of questions.

734

00:32:43,985 --> 00:32:46,365

And really it was because
I work on the West Coast.

735

00:32:46,365 --> 00:32:47,905

Most people I work with are East Coast.

736

00:32:48,015 --> 00:32:52,295

So around two, three in the afternoon
when I'm done with work, then take a

737

00:32:52,295 --> 00:32:53,735

quick breather, sit down at the computer.

738

00:32:53,735 --> 00:32:55,935

And from there till dinner,
just pound through questions.

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00:32:55,935 --> 00:32:58,325

And then after dinner, get on Zoom
with everyone and start playing.

740

00:32:59,065 --> 00:33:02,595

And it's just developing a routine
because you guys know this as well.

741

00:33:02,675 --> 00:33:05,235

A long day of jeopardy
taping is exhausting.

742

00:33:05,295 --> 00:33:09,255

And there's also a certain amount of self
management of how do I have the endurance?

743

00:33:09,705 --> 00:33:13,275

How do I make sure that my energy level
is at the right place through the day?

744

00:33:13,755 --> 00:33:15,685

That when I'm on set, I'm at a max.

745

00:33:15,685 --> 00:33:19,280
But when, as soon as the match is
over, Bring it down, kind of be at

746
00:33:19,280 --> 00:33:22,390
a nice low key and save the energy
I have for the next time I'm on.

747
00:33:23,240 --> 00:33:27,260
And so these are the kind of things,
just so that in that 20 minute span,

748
00:33:27,870 --> 00:33:31,250
I'm playing the best that I can and I'm
making the best decisions that I can.

749
00:33:31,410 --> 00:33:31,910
Amazing.

750
00:33:32,050 --> 00:33:36,940
I have to imagine that your
technique has become pretty popular.

751
00:33:36,960 --> 00:33:41,420
I have to imagine after people saw
Rowan and then of course they saw you.

752
00:33:41,910 --> 00:33:44,590
I'm guessing you've got a lot of
people who want to be a part of

753
00:33:44,590 --> 00:33:46,020
this, uh, elite club, if you will.

754
00:33:47,170 --> 00:33:50,650
It is, it is grown organically
over the last couple of years.

755
00:33:50,680 --> 00:33:54,850
There's a lot of people who've been
on, um, some who got to be champs

756
00:33:54,860 --> 00:33:56,280

after they started working with us.

757

00:33:56,280 --> 00:33:59,730

A lot of people who made their run
and now they're thinking about the

758

00:33:59,730 --> 00:34:02,620

post season tournaments and they're
preparing that are involved in the group.

759

00:34:02,960 --> 00:34:05,800

The other thing that really helps
is that even when you're working and

760

00:34:05,800 --> 00:34:10,740

you're serious, Playing Jeopardy is fun,
like it really is a fun thing to do.

761

00:34:10,750 --> 00:34:14,640

It's fun to hang out with people and that
also helps keep bringing people back.

762

00:34:15,060 --> 00:34:18,770

And so that also helps to expand the
group because there's a lot of people

763

00:34:18,770 --> 00:34:23,150

who want to play for fun that eventually
find themselves in the contestant pool.

764

00:34:23,520 --> 00:34:25,830

And especially when you've been playing
with a bunch of people you've seen

765

00:34:25,840 --> 00:34:29,520

on TV and you have a sense that, hey,
you know, I'm not that bad at this.

766

00:34:30,170 --> 00:34:33,880

You become a lot more liable to go take
the anytime test to try to do auditions.

767

00:34:34,385 --> 00:34:35,205

You take a swing at it.

768

00:34:35,745 --> 00:34:40,015

I feel when we were initially coming up with this plan for what we were going

769

00:34:40,015 --> 00:34:45,015

to do, you know, to start season 40 and obviously some unprecedented times, and

770

00:34:45,015 --> 00:34:48,695

coming up with a way to invite people back who never expected that they would

771

00:34:48,705 --> 00:34:50,955

have the phone ring again from Jeopardy.

772

00:34:51,345 --> 00:34:54,035

And I remember coming across your name, David Mayberry.

773

00:34:54,045 --> 00:34:58,905

How great would it be to get to have David Mayberry back on the stage?

774

00:34:58,965 --> 00:34:59,945

And I would say...

775

00:35:00,130 --> 00:35:04,430

You know, having you and your experience and of course the blog certainly lived

776

00:35:04,430 --> 00:35:06,640

up to or exceeded the expectations.

777

00:35:06,650 --> 00:35:09,130

So just kind of take us on the journey.

778

00:35:09,170 --> 00:35:10,630

Now you know you're going to compete.

779

00:35:10,630 --> 00:35:12,000

You've got the prep work in.

780

00:35:12,330 --> 00:35:14,330

What comes next for preparing to

781

00:35:14,340 --> 00:35:14,860

be back?

782

00:35:15,040 --> 00:35:19,410

So there was a thing of, okay, I
do need to start blogging this,

783

00:35:19,430 --> 00:35:20,880

which is a weird reflex to have.

784

00:35:21,380 --> 00:35:24,550

So I started writing posts during
the prep, but just queuing them.

785

00:35:24,830 --> 00:35:28,600

So just putting them in the queue and
eventually once I, the announcements

786

00:35:28,600 --> 00:35:32,920

were made, putting a schedule on so they
could come out in the proper time, but

787

00:35:32,920 --> 00:35:37,710

then to document it as I go, because
one of the things I've learned is if you

788

00:35:37,710 --> 00:35:39,190

don't document it, you don't approve it.

789

00:35:39,190 --> 00:35:42,010

So I wanted to start
keeping track of the scores.

790

00:35:42,770 --> 00:35:45,250

The second thing to do was to
just sit back and say, okay,

791

00:35:45,250 --> 00:35:46,340
wait a minute, where was I?

792
00:35:46,740 --> 00:35:50,120
So it was to start up and say, okay,
we're going to go back to playing

793
00:35:50,120 --> 00:35:52,150
archive games and just see where I'm at.

794
00:35:52,995 --> 00:35:56,925
Because when I went on the first
time I was averaging, uh, practice

795
00:35:56,945 --> 00:36:01,995
choreographs in the low 40 case, which
is a really good score generally.

796
00:36:02,085 --> 00:36:05,395
And so when I first started and turning
it on again, I was in the high thirties,

797
00:36:05,395 --> 00:36:07,235
which was actually a pleasant surprise.

798
00:36:07,235 --> 00:36:11,455
I was expecting it to be a lot softer
than that, but then it really became okay.

799
00:36:12,135 --> 00:36:13,975
How do I get better at
what I'm not good at?

800
00:36:14,155 --> 00:36:15,715
I'm not someone who likes to flashcard.

801
00:36:16,025 --> 00:36:18,375
I, I really, it's one of the
worst things for me to do.

802
00:36:19,075 --> 00:36:21,875
The first time around, I went
to a lot of YouTube resources.

803
00:36:22,465 --> 00:36:26,015
Uh, things like Course Hero, Crash Course,
all these high school era things that

804
00:36:26,015 --> 00:36:30,125
will teach you about, particularly for me,
literature is a weak area, and so having

805
00:36:30,125 --> 00:36:31,555
someone talk you through the stories.

806
00:36:32,425 --> 00:36:35,715
But the fact of it was, is
that I still needed to do more.

807
00:36:35,725 --> 00:36:40,215
So I finally went back to Rowan, and, uh,
for those of you who don't know, Rowan has

808
00:36:40,215 --> 00:36:42,295
an absolutely legendary flashcard deck.

809
00:36:42,710 --> 00:36:46,720
It's now at about 150, 000 flashcards of
almost every question Rowan's ever missed.

810
00:36:47,290 --> 00:36:49,880
So I asked Rowan if I could
have the deck and of course

811
00:36:49,880 --> 00:36:51,140
they said yes and sent it over.

812
00:36:51,140 --> 00:36:55,240
And then there was really kind of a study
of how am I going to do this and start

813
00:36:55,250 --> 00:36:57,110
flashcarding in a way that's productive.

814
00:36:57,950 --> 00:37:00,440

And so there was a bit of learning about how my brain responds to it.

815

00:37:00,440 --> 00:37:03,120
Initially I was taking up, trying to do way too much at once and

816

00:37:03,120 --> 00:37:04,490
everything was kind of bouncing off.

817

00:37:05,130 --> 00:37:07,600
So I was having to take smaller bites, but more often.

818

00:37:07,920 --> 00:37:10,580
And then as I started to play the games.

819

00:37:11,030 --> 00:37:14,450
Somewhere around a two to three week mark, I started to see improvement

820

00:37:15,160 --> 00:37:17,970
where I started to see, okay, Hey, this is a literature category that

821

00:37:17,970 --> 00:37:19,180
normally would have been a black hole.

822

00:37:19,190 --> 00:37:23,160
And I got four out of five when you get that feedback that makes you do it more.

823

00:37:23,710 --> 00:37:26,120
And that's kind of the, you're no longer working into the darkness

824

00:37:26,120 --> 00:37:28,540
and in the mystery and hoping that one day it turns into something.

825

00:37:28,540 --> 00:37:30,560
You've got a real sense of, Hey, this is helping me.

826

00:37:31,000 --> 00:37:34,990
And ultimately in my first game,
the first daily double I got about

827

00:37:35,010 --> 00:37:38,340
Andersonville prison, even though I
had lived in Georgia for 10 years.

828

00:37:38,720 --> 00:37:41,510
I got that question from a flash
card about McKinley Cantor's

829

00:37:41,520 --> 00:37:43,260
book on Andersonville Prison.

830

00:37:44,540 --> 00:37:47,200
And so it really did turn out
to have a lot of value and was

831

00:37:47,200 --> 00:37:48,200
really quite critical for me.

832

00:37:48,510 --> 00:37:48,720
Well, I

833

00:37:48,720 --> 00:37:50,680
want to go to one of the blog entries.

834

00:37:50,680 --> 00:37:54,140
I think one of my favorite,
August 14th, 15th, the return

835

00:37:54,150 --> 00:37:56,610
to Culver City and tape day.

836

00:37:56,610 --> 00:37:58,600
It starts out talking about your parents.

837

00:37:58,630 --> 00:38:01,520
Talk me through just the memories
that are, you know, within this

838

00:38:01,520 --> 00:38:03,040
blog entry in and of itself.

839

00:38:03,280 --> 00:38:04,650
Oh my God, it was wild.

840

00:38:04,700 --> 00:38:07,790
Cause the first thing when I got
on the first time, my parents were,

841

00:38:07,830 --> 00:38:09,180
their first question is, can we come?

842

00:38:09,560 --> 00:38:10,010
No.

843

00:38:10,930 --> 00:38:14,280
So when I got the call this time, the
first thing I did was I called mom and

844

00:38:14,280 --> 00:38:15,690
dad and said, Hey, you got to come to L.

845

00:38:15,690 --> 00:38:15,910
A.

846

00:38:16,030 --> 00:38:17,230
I need you there on August 15th.

847

00:38:17,740 --> 00:38:18,680
I can't tell you why.

848

00:38:18,930 --> 00:38:20,740
And because I don't do that.

849

00:38:20,870 --> 00:38:24,010
They book tickets and they were there
a whole week having the experience

850

00:38:24,010 --> 00:38:26,380

of having my parents there for a while, getting to cook for them.

851

00:38:26,430 --> 00:38:28,190
That's one of my big hobbies is cooking.

852

00:38:28,580 --> 00:38:32,470
So having them getting to make dinner for them a few nights and Really settle

853

00:38:32,470 --> 00:38:36,640
in because the last couple days before people play Jeopardy is usually when

854

00:38:36,640 --> 00:38:37,800
I kind of take the training down a

855

00:38:37,800 --> 00:38:38,950
bit You know, it's like a marathon.

856

00:38:38,950 --> 00:38:39,200
Yeah, taper.

857

00:38:39,700 --> 00:38:39,900
Yeah,

858

00:38:41,030 --> 00:38:44,690
you have to treat your brain like a muscle and you need to be fresh And so

859

00:38:44,990 --> 00:38:48,530
that big moment of kind of decompressing and being engaged with that was great

860

00:38:49,045 --> 00:38:52,375
Then when they had initially called and said, Hey, we'll book a hotel for you.

861

00:38:53,005 --> 00:38:55,865
The first time around, I had stayed home when I went as an alternate,

862

00:38:56,285 --> 00:38:59,405
I booked a hotel room and did not
get a lick of sleep, so I thought,

863
00:38:59,475 --> 00:39:01,055
okay, I'll try and sleep at home.

864
00:39:01,505 --> 00:39:03,565
I was still up at three in
the morning and went in.

865
00:39:03,575 --> 00:39:04,995
So I'm like, okay, I'll take the hotel.

866
00:39:05,355 --> 00:39:07,595
Maybe I'll bump into some other
contestants, but more than

867
00:39:07,595 --> 00:39:10,275
anything else, I'm just not going
to think about driving that day.

868
00:39:10,765 --> 00:39:12,025
I'm not going to worry about traffic.

869
00:39:12,025 --> 00:39:13,265
I'm just going to take the shuttle.

870
00:39:13,970 --> 00:39:16,880
As I kind of put it, the day you
wake up, your brain is for buckets.

871
00:39:16,900 --> 00:39:17,550
Like that's it.

872
00:39:17,630 --> 00:39:19,270
I'm only going to think about trivia.

873
00:39:19,270 --> 00:39:20,720
I'm not going to think
about anything else.

874

00:39:20,880 --> 00:39:24,670
And as I'm getting in and settling
for the night at perfectly reasonable

875
00:39:24,670 --> 00:39:28,620
time, and I'm wide awake and I think
maybe an hour later, I start to drift

876
00:39:28,620 --> 00:39:30,450
off to sleep and I'm up in 15 minutes.

877
00:39:31,015 --> 00:39:35,655
And that whole night I just cycled through
maybe 30 minutes of 30 minutes of 30

878
00:39:35,655 --> 00:39:40,265
minutes of like, okay, this is, uh, this
is how this is going to go finally get up.

879
00:39:40,295 --> 00:39:43,055
I was the 1st 1 in the lobby for
the shuttle by about half an hour.

880
00:39:44,035 --> 00:39:47,175
And then as people start coming
down, and we start chatting for a bit

881
00:39:47,175 --> 00:39:48,665
saying, okay, this is what's going on.

882
00:39:49,315 --> 00:39:51,565
And we start to take
the ride to the studio.

883
00:39:51,625 --> 00:39:56,285
And the moment we got on the lot,
I've been back as an audience member

884
00:39:56,285 --> 00:40:01,275
multiple times, but when you're not
stopping at the deck to wait to go in

885
00:40:01,275 --> 00:40:05,015

with the audience, but they're taking
you straight to the studio, there's

886

00:40:05,015 --> 00:40:06,945
that immediate, Oh, this is happening.

887

00:40:07,175 --> 00:40:08,845
This is, this is really happening.

888

00:40:09,505 --> 00:40:12,305
And so we get in and Hey,
there's makeup artists this time.

889

00:40:12,305 --> 00:40:13,085
They're doing hair.

890

00:40:13,505 --> 00:40:15,675
A lot of people were commenting
how much younger I looked like.

891

00:40:16,130 --> 00:40:16,650
Guess what?

892

00:40:18,050 --> 00:40:18,550
I had help.

893

00:40:19,640 --> 00:40:23,760
And then at around eight 30, just
when I kind of the first energy crash.

894

00:40:23,760 --> 00:40:27,230
So I laid down in the champion's
dressing room and just took a nap

895

00:40:27,350 --> 00:40:30,060
and woke up about nine when they
were doing the contestant briefing.

896

00:40:30,100 --> 00:40:34,240
And then when we go back in the studio and
it's the empty studio and we're taking the

897

00:40:34,250 --> 00:40:37,810
turns to rehearsal, that's kind of when
it really was like, okay, it's go time.

898
00:40:37,810 --> 00:40:41,000
And now it's on one hand,
I'm thinking about the game.

899
00:40:41,000 --> 00:40:43,350
I'm trying to figure out what's
the difference between it's buzzer

900
00:40:43,420 --> 00:40:44,770
and my practice buzzer at home.

901
00:40:45,320 --> 00:40:46,330
What's the timing look like?

902
00:40:46,865 --> 00:40:50,675
But there's also this tape recorder
on, because I've approached this

903
00:40:50,685 --> 00:40:55,165
with kind of the mentality of having
Jeopardy fantasy camp, that I'm here

904
00:40:55,165 --> 00:40:58,375
to have all the experience, have
maximum fun, get to know everyone.

905
00:40:58,875 --> 00:41:01,675
And so I'm trying to just
remember everything I'm doing.

906
00:41:02,085 --> 00:41:03,665
I want to have all of it to remember.

907
00:41:03,915 --> 00:41:04,235
Yeah.

908
00:41:04,325 --> 00:41:04,825
And.

909

00:41:05,115 --> 00:41:09,145

That was kind of the best part up until
there was a point midway through the

910

00:41:09,145 --> 00:41:13,585

day when I got a moment to talk to Jimmy
between takes because the day I had lost,

911

00:41:14,045 --> 00:41:19,795

Jimmy had been super, super kind to me
and I just, I never forgot how generous he

912

00:41:19,795 --> 00:41:23,275

was with me when I was trying to cope with
what was going on and I finally got the

913

00:41:23,275 --> 00:41:26,825

chance to tell him thank you like a year
and a half later and that was kind of the

914

00:41:26,825 --> 00:41:29,025

moment where, okay, the loop had closed.

915

00:41:29,380 --> 00:41:32,510

Everything in the past was in the
past, and now we're just doing

916

00:41:32,510 --> 00:41:32,910

this.

917

00:41:33,150 --> 00:41:38,470

I have to say, you were one of the first
people to return to the actual Jeopardy!

918

00:41:38,530 --> 00:41:42,550

contestant dressing room, and we
had given it a little makeover.

919

00:41:43,290 --> 00:41:47,320

You had, and what was cool was, I
got to look at all these pictures

920

00:41:47,320 --> 00:41:51,560
of recent champions, of, like, the
Mateo Rocha, the Amy Schneiders, David

921
00:41:51,560 --> 00:41:53,040
Sibleys, and all the big checks, and...

922
00:41:53,340 --> 00:41:54,430
Like, hey, I know that guy.

923
00:41:54,500 --> 00:41:55,950
I know that person.

924
00:41:56,350 --> 00:41:58,560
And so part of me was trying
to go around and take pictures

925
00:41:58,560 --> 00:41:59,470
and send them to everybody.

926
00:41:59,470 --> 00:41:59,880
Guess what?

927
00:41:59,890 --> 00:42:00,850
You're up there now.

928
00:42:01,160 --> 00:42:03,660
And there was a certain amount
of, look, Dave, that's cool, but

929
00:42:03,670 --> 00:42:04,940
you've got other things to do today.

930
00:42:04,970 --> 00:42:05,150
Yeah.

931
00:42:05,150 --> 00:42:05,510
I remember

932
00:42:05,510 --> 00:42:07,760
the contestant team, they
actually texted me, is it okay

933
00:42:07,760 --> 00:42:08,700
if they take pictures in here?

934
00:42:09,050 --> 00:42:13,009
Because again, the team hadn't been
there in years and now we had never had

935
00:42:13,010 --> 00:42:14,720
it, you know, decorated in that way.

936
00:42:14,720 --> 00:42:17,380
And I said, yes, take
pictures, live it up.

937
00:42:17,390 --> 00:42:20,190
This is their chance to really
have the Jeopardy experience.

938
00:42:20,445 --> 00:42:21,565
They didn't have the first time.

939
00:42:21,665 --> 00:42:25,735
So as you may know, I'm here for
the hard hitting, uh, questions.

940
00:42:26,315 --> 00:42:28,905
What is your lunch
order when you're on the

941
00:42:28,905 --> 00:42:29,525
Sony lot?

942
00:42:29,595 --> 00:42:32,305
So my lunch order, it's
going to achieve two goals.

943
00:42:32,315 --> 00:42:35,065
It's going to make me full and it's
definitely not going to upset my stomach.

944
00:42:35,595 --> 00:42:36,965

So normal life.

945

00:42:36,965 --> 00:42:39,275

I love spicy food, Thai
food, Asian food here.

946

00:42:39,605 --> 00:42:41,115

It was a cheeseburger with ketchup.

947

00:42:41,605 --> 00:42:43,445

Oh, sweet potato fries.

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00:42:43,445 --> 00:42:44,355

Just it's

949

00:42:44,355 --> 00:42:45,815

basic sweet potato fries.

950

00:42:45,865 --> 00:42:46,115

Yeah.

951

00:42:46,255 --> 00:42:46,415

Oh,

952

00:42:46,415 --> 00:42:47,625

the sweet potato fries are amazing.

953

00:42:47,855 --> 00:42:49,085

But it was that excellent

954

00:42:49,135 --> 00:42:51,875

that we don't hear about the cheeseburger
that much when we ask this question

955

00:42:52,085 --> 00:42:55,485

That could be a first time for
the cheeseburger, but I I'm a big

956

00:42:55,485 --> 00:42:56,585

fan of the sweet potato fries.

957

00:42:56,595 --> 00:42:57,585
So i'm glad you gave those

958
00:42:57,785 --> 00:43:01,035
a try This is a little more hard
hitting question, but I think you are

959
00:43:01,045 --> 00:43:06,280
probably more Apt than almost anyone
we've spoken to, to answer this.

960
00:43:06,290 --> 00:43:10,590
What is the Jeopardy stat of
which you are the most proud?

961
00:43:10,740 --> 00:43:16,030
So across the three games I played
in second chance, I averaged 44.

962
00:43:16,030 --> 00:43:18,900
67 attempts on a 45, a 45 and a 44.

963
00:43:19,840 --> 00:43:25,010
And knowing that I was coming in and
I was playing with the right level of

964
00:43:25,010 --> 00:43:31,470
aggression that I didn't ever get beat by
a bad board, that my knowledge was diverse

965
00:43:31,470 --> 00:43:33,160
enough that I was making the attempts.

966
00:43:33,280 --> 00:43:37,310
And yeah, in the last game,
Hari got absolutely red hot with

967
00:43:37,310 --> 00:43:38,940
the buzzer and that happens.

968
00:43:39,190 --> 00:43:41,570
That's, you know, there's sometimes
there's nothing you can do about

969

00:43:41,570 --> 00:43:45,090
that, but looking at that, knowing
that of all the contestants, I

970

00:43:45,090 --> 00:43:46,170
was there with the most attempts.

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00:43:46,170 --> 00:43:47,520
I had a high degree of accuracy.

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00:43:47,520 --> 00:43:49,020
I wasn't taking any bad risks.

973

00:43:49,645 --> 00:43:52,645
That's what meant the most to me
that I performed the way I wanted to.

974

00:43:52,795 --> 00:43:56,455
There was exactly one question
in my first game that I wish

975

00:43:56,455 --> 00:43:57,745
I'd buzzed in on that I didn't.

976

00:43:58,570 --> 00:44:01,860
But that's the feeling that's
hard to cope with, of I could

977

00:44:01,860 --> 00:44:03,570
have done this but I chose not to.

978

00:44:04,180 --> 00:44:06,740
If I took a reasonable chance
and it didn't pan out, I got it.

979

00:44:06,790 --> 00:44:07,480
I can live with it.

980

00:44:07,560 --> 00:44:11,430
But if I pulled back when I should
have gone for it, that's the thing

981
00:44:11,430 --> 00:44:12,820
that really would have sat badly.

982
00:44:12,830 --> 00:44:13,530
So I

983
00:44:13,530 --> 00:44:16,990
have to bring up that
final of the first game.

984
00:44:17,240 --> 00:44:22,400
Of the two day finals, World Capitals
is the category, the clue in English,

985
00:44:22,480 --> 00:44:26,430
name one of the two four letter
capitals with the same first and

986
00:44:26,430 --> 00:44:30,900
last letter, one in the Northern
and one in the Southern Hemisphere.

987
00:44:31,050 --> 00:44:31,520
The correct

988
00:44:31,520 --> 00:44:33,950
response is Oslo or...

989
00:44:35,640 --> 00:44:38,600
You have to probably be thinking about
that one a little bit too because it

990
00:44:38,600 --> 00:44:42,280
did set you up a little bit differently
heading into that game two of the finals.

991
00:44:42,360 --> 00:44:43,030
It did, but

992
00:44:43,030 --> 00:44:47,060
the, the way I analyze it, like I

can make one comment on the question,

993

00:44:47,070 --> 00:44:48,550

but you know, that's trivia, right?

994

00:44:48,550 --> 00:44:51,170

Sometimes people are just going to write a question about things, you know, that

995

00:44:51,170 --> 00:44:52,670

you just, that hits you the wrong way.

996

00:44:52,860 --> 00:44:54,940

And that's the chance you take in the game.

997

00:44:55,020 --> 00:44:58,480

And so there's not a part from that, you know, that part of man,

998

00:44:58,480 --> 00:44:59,510

this question made the wrong way.

999

00:44:59,510 --> 00:45:00,740

Cause I'm a visual thinker.

1000

00:45:00,740 --> 00:45:02,110

I don't have a list of capitals.

1001

00:45:02,130 --> 00:45:03,320

I was going around the map.

1002

00:45:04,890 --> 00:45:07,700

And the reason I put Lizzle trying to make Lisbon into a four

1003

00:45:07,700 --> 00:45:11,130

letter thing that started with the same letter was I was almost to

1004

00:45:11,130 --> 00:45:12,540

Northern Europe when time ran out.

1005
00:45:12,750 --> 00:45:17,450
So there's that part, but the analysis
I took on it was when at the moment I

1006
00:45:17,450 --> 00:45:19,750
made the bed, is that the right bet?

1007
00:45:20,230 --> 00:45:24,150
And world capitals is a good category
for me, actually a pretty good category.

1008
00:45:24,150 --> 00:45:25,800
It's probably one of my better ones.

1009
00:45:25,800 --> 00:45:26,850
It's one I'd studied a lot.

1010
00:45:27,655 --> 00:45:30,395
I was in a position where Jill
had scored quite well, even

1011
00:45:30,395 --> 00:45:31,815
though I'd had a terrific game.

1012
00:45:32,075 --> 00:45:35,605
This was one where I could either
have taken the soft play, just said,

1013
00:45:35,605 --> 00:45:38,625
Hey, I got enough points for the
second half of the two day affair.

1014
00:45:38,995 --> 00:45:40,935
I'll just take the points
and rolled into the next.

1015
00:45:41,695 --> 00:45:45,595
Or I can play to keep my lead and
have the category been something

1016
00:45:45,595 --> 00:45:47,415

like 13th century French literature.

1017

00:45:47,775 --> 00:45:48,075

Yeah.

1018

00:45:48,115 --> 00:45:50,055

Put the zero, take what

I got, run with it.

1019

00:45:50,125 --> 00:45:54,925

But if I had gone really light on
a cat on a category that I knew I

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00:45:54,925 --> 00:45:58,815

really liked, I think that the sort of
the regretted version in the thought

1021

00:45:58,835 --> 00:46:00,425

process was where I was approaching it.

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00:46:00,865 --> 00:46:02,175

And so I was fine with the bet.

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00:46:02,295 --> 00:46:05,135

I was fine with the decision
and you always know it's a bet.

1024

00:46:05,705 --> 00:46:07,985

It's not a, hey, I'm

collecting my money here.

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00:46:08,445 --> 00:46:10,145

It's a bet based on what you
think you're going to get.

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00:46:10,465 --> 00:46:10,675

Well, I

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00:46:10,675 --> 00:46:13,435

think something that definitely,
you know, after looking at your

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00:46:13,435 --> 00:46:17,405
experience in Second Chance, if it
says anything, is that it is Jeopardy.

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00:46:17,405 --> 00:46:18,965
We don't call it Jeopardy for nothing.

1030
00:46:19,015 --> 00:46:23,925
We could come back and run those same
players, those same games, and still

1031
00:46:23,925 --> 00:46:25,395
come out with a different result.

1032
00:46:25,825 --> 00:46:29,765
But the stats that you put up, the
attempts you put up, really prove

1033
00:46:29,775 --> 00:46:31,845
you are an incredible Jeopardy

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00:46:31,845 --> 00:46:32,375
champion.

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00:46:32,655 --> 00:46:33,665
Thank you so much.

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00:46:34,105 --> 00:46:35,194
And yeah, I think that.

1037
00:46:35,345 --> 00:46:39,215
Maybe if the three of us replayed the two
day total point of fair a dozen times.

1038
00:46:39,840 --> 00:46:41,230
I might've won a plurality.

1039
00:46:41,700 --> 00:46:46,550
I think that's probably reasonable,
but that still only takes you to some

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00:46:46,550 --> 00:46:49,750

number between 30 and 50 percent chance
of winning, you know, it's a really

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00:46:49,750 --> 00:46:53,230
good reality that both Hari and Jill
were good enough to definitely win.

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00:46:53,460 --> 00:46:54,490
That's the nature of the game.

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00:46:54,560 --> 00:46:58,050
And even if we played the same game
with the same boards, just started

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00:46:58,060 --> 00:47:00,560
wiping the memories and started over,
could have been a different result.

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00:47:00,560 --> 00:47:03,860
So you can't take anything as a guarantee.

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00:47:04,260 --> 00:47:07,670
But what I did kind of see from this
is approaching it as I was having fun.

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00:47:07,710 --> 00:47:09,580
And was I making good decisions?

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00:47:09,970 --> 00:47:12,760
Not did I get good outcomes, which was
the difference between my first time.

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00:47:12,940 --> 00:47:16,110
Then it makes you play better and
you're happier with what you did.

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00:47:16,120 --> 00:47:19,200
And that's always, so the advice
I always gave contestants is

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00:47:19,470 --> 00:47:21,050
make sure you play your best.

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00:47:21,595 --> 00:47:25,365
Not the best, your best, because
that's the thing you have to

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00:47:25,365 --> 00:47:26,195
live with at the end of it.

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00:47:26,675 --> 00:47:27,055
Yeah,

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00:47:27,095 --> 00:47:27,935
no regrets.

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00:47:28,265 --> 00:47:32,325
You closed out your blog about the
Jeopardy experience by writing, I'm

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00:47:32,325 --> 00:47:35,745
happy I got to show my best self to
the world for three more episodes.

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00:47:35,745 --> 00:47:37,985
I'm happy I got to do
it with my family there.

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00:47:38,325 --> 00:47:41,635
I'm happy I got to say so many thank
you I've been holding onto for years.

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00:47:42,170 --> 00:47:46,680
Looking back, I have to ask you, what's
been the best moment of this Jeopardy!

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00:47:46,680 --> 00:47:47,640
journey for you, David?

1062

00:47:47,950 --> 00:47:49,960
Oh, man, I have to pick one.

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00:47:50,240 --> 00:47:58,100
Um, The first win, when it came in on
the category, because Ken was right,

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00:47:58,120 --> 00:48:00,080

I was not sure about the River Styx.

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00:48:00,570 --> 00:48:02,120

I knew it was Greek mythology.

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00:48:02,120 --> 00:48:06,520

I didn't know if it made it into
Otherface, but it was the answer I had.

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00:48:06,600 --> 00:48:07,820

So I put in the answer I had.

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00:48:08,280 --> 00:48:11,550

And so when they, uh, went to Cody and he
had the same answer and it was correct,

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00:48:11,580 --> 00:48:13,010

then I knew, like, okay, I got this.

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00:48:13,715 --> 00:48:16,105

You know, trying to keep the poker
face and at that moment when I can

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00:48:16,155 --> 00:48:20,455

actually let the emotion out and
just kind of brush the monkey off my

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00:48:20,455 --> 00:48:22,325

back and be like, okay, that's it.

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00:48:22,905 --> 00:48:23,675

I've done that.

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00:48:23,745 --> 00:48:27,535

And then everything else was kind of
gravy, but getting to have that moment

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00:48:27,535 --> 00:48:31,455

where I had really stuck the landing on
it, I'd played my best game and it worked

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00:48:31,455 --> 00:48:33,075
out and it turned into a good result.

1077
00:48:33,645 --> 00:48:35,715
If I had to pick one
moment, that was the moment.

1078
00:48:35,915 --> 00:48:39,105
Well, for the rest of your life,
you will always be one, David

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00:48:39,105 --> 00:48:41,655
Mayberry, a Jeopardy champion.

1080
00:48:42,150 --> 00:48:43,840
and a welcome part of our Jeopardy!

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00:48:43,860 --> 00:48:44,410
community.

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00:48:44,420 --> 00:48:48,250
Thanks so much for joining us on the pod
and sharing your journey and your story.

1083
00:48:48,630 --> 00:48:50,350
It's been a pleasure to have you back.

1084
00:48:50,980 --> 00:48:53,220
Thank you, it's been great to
be back, and I appreciate the

1085
00:48:53,220 --> 00:48:54,250
chance to chat with you both.

1086
00:48:55,580 --> 00:48:57,620
Okay, it's time for our host chat.

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00:48:57,710 --> 00:49:00,360
This is another new segment we
have, but you love it, right?

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00:49:00,370 --> 00:49:03,050

You get to hear from our
hosts, those Q& A sessions.

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00:49:03,350 --> 00:49:08,570

And this week, it was actually Champions
wildcard contestant, Lawrence, who asked

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00:49:08,580 --> 00:49:11,760

Ken Do you have dreams about Jeopardy?

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00:49:12,380 --> 00:49:13,380

Here's what Ken had to say.

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00:49:15,250 --> 00:49:15,440

I,

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00:49:15,870 --> 00:49:18,250

I actually do dream about Jeopardy.

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00:49:18,280 --> 00:49:20,830

Uh, do other contestants
do this in your experience?

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00:49:21,230 --> 00:49:24,490

Yeah, so I, I think Jeopardy
contestants will often have the dream.

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00:49:24,510 --> 00:49:27,130

It's not like the dream where you're
taking an English test naked or,

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00:49:27,540 --> 00:49:29,720

or you're doing the high school
play but you don't know your lines.

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00:49:29,750 --> 00:49:30,790

But it is very confused.

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00:49:30,830 --> 00:49:32,610

I remember dreaming once that
I was playing Jeopardy but

1100

00:49:32,610 --> 00:49:34,540

it was like in Times Square.

1101

00:49:34,540 --> 00:49:36,820

It was like outdoor and they had
built the big Hollywood squares.

1102

00:49:37,355 --> 00:49:38,925

Scale game board.

1103

00:49:38,925 --> 00:49:42,245

I don't know why you would need a
person in each clue, but But for some

1104

00:49:42,245 --> 00:49:43,925

reason that's what we had in my dream.

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00:49:44,245 --> 00:49:45,505

So not traumatic dreams

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00:49:45,565 --> 00:49:46,075

I guess.

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00:49:47,355 --> 00:49:47,625

Alright.

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00:49:47,625 --> 00:49:47,895

Buzzy.

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00:49:47,895 --> 00:49:49,965

I have to ask, do you have dreams about

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00:49:49,965 --> 00:49:50,445

Jeopardy?

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00:49:50,505 --> 00:49:51,255

I do, yes.

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00:49:51,255 --> 00:49:51,645

I have.

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00:49:51,645 --> 00:49:53,535

Had various versions

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00:49:53,815 --> 00:49:55,945

of this Dream Night Nightmares
or Dreams or what would they be

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00:49:55,945 --> 00:49:56,725

identified?

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00:49:56,730 --> 00:49:56,965

Yeah.

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00:49:56,965 --> 00:50:01,405

It kind of depends on what phase of my
Jeopardy experience we're talking about.

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00:50:01,705 --> 00:50:06,565

Uh, but yes, it certainly follows
me into my sleeping, my REM cycles.

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00:50:06,565 --> 00:50:06,566

Yeah.

1120

00:50:07,740 --> 00:50:08,960

Hey, it's in there for me too.

1121

00:50:08,960 --> 00:50:10,830

I'm not competing, but
just things that are

1122

00:50:10,830 --> 00:50:11,520

happening.

1123

00:50:11,530 --> 00:50:18,080

I've even gone as far as to have dreams
about watching all of you receive Emmys.

1124

00:50:18,130 --> 00:50:18,610

Really?

1125
00:50:18,620 --> 00:50:18,890
Yeah.

1126
00:50:18,890 --> 00:50:19,480
Isn't that interesting?

1127
00:50:19,750 --> 00:50:19,880
Is

1128
00:50:19,880 --> 00:50:21,560
this foreshadowing to January?

1129
00:50:22,120 --> 00:50:22,630
I don't know.

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00:50:22,630 --> 00:50:23,020
Maybe.

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00:50:23,460 --> 00:50:26,590
Well, the show is nominated for an
Emmy along with both of our hosts.

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00:50:26,600 --> 00:50:26,970
So.

1133
00:50:27,175 --> 00:50:27,425
Well,

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00:50:27,505 --> 00:50:28,345
maybe I had a

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00:50:28,345 --> 00:50:28,965
premonition.

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00:50:28,995 --> 00:50:29,765
For January.

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00:50:29,815 --> 00:50:30,795
Let's, let's keep our

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00:50:30,795 --> 00:50:31,525
fingers crossed.

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00:50:31,535 --> 00:50:34,645
So great to be back in the pod.

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00:50:34,665 --> 00:50:35,525
Great to have you.

1141
00:50:35,575 --> 00:50:40,470
We'll be back next week to discuss
the rest of those group one Champions

1142
00:50:40,530 --> 00:50:45,020
wildcard quarterfinal games and our
first semi final game will also be

1143
00:50:45,020 --> 00:50:47,080
highlighting the next Celebrity Jeopardy!

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00:50:47,080 --> 00:50:51,470
quarterfinal with Christopher
Maloney, Sherri Shepherd, and Katie

1145
00:50:51,540 --> 00:50:52,150
Nolan.

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00:50:52,300 --> 00:50:55,950
And for the first time on the pod, you
know, you interviewed the Clue Crew, now

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00:50:56,200 --> 00:50:57,690
I'm going to interview you, Buzzy Cohen.

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00:50:57,710 --> 00:50:58,660
Oh my god.

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00:50:58,670 --> 00:51:02,470
So listeners, if you have any
questions, you're just dying to

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00:51:02,470 --> 00:51:04,580

know about this man, Buzzy Cohen.

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00:51:04,925 --> 00:51:08,645

Please send them to
InsideJeopardyPodcast at gmail.

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00:51:08,685 --> 00:51:08,915

com.

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00:51:08,915 --> 00:51:11,435

If I know anything about
Buzzy, he'll answer anything.

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00:51:11,475 --> 00:51:11,885

I will answer anything.

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00:51:11,885 --> 00:51:12,835

So send those questions.

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00:51:13,125 --> 00:51:14,465

We want to know more.

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00:51:14,825 --> 00:51:18,605

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to the podcast and follow us at

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00:51:18,605 --> 00:51:22,245

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on YouTube, on TikTok, and on

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00:51:22,375 --> 00:51:24,175

TwitterX, and we'll see you all

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00:51:24,175 --> 00:51:24,625

next week.