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00:00:00,300 --> 00:00:07,860
From the Alex Trebek stage at Sony
Picture Studios, this is Inside Jeopardy!.
00:00:09,030 --> 00:00:13,500
Oh yes, Play it Johnny on the ax.
00:00:13,500 --> 00:00:16,980
I'll never get tired of the
image of Johnny Gilbert on
00:00:16,980 --> 00:00:18,960
lead guitar in my brain camera.
00:00:18,965 --> 00:00:22,890
Welcome back to Inside Jeopardy!,
your exclusive and official
00:00:22,890 --> 00:00:25,500
podcast destination for all things
happening in the world of Jeopardy!.
00:00:25,500 --> 00:00:25,920
I'm Michael.
00:00:26,640 --> 00:00:31,439
I'm joined today by producer Sarah Foss
and friend of the pod, Buzzy Cohen.
00:00:31,980 --> 00:00:32,820
Happy to be.
00:00:33,540 --> 00:00:34,530
Happy Halloween.
11
00:00:34,530 --> 00:00:35,460
Welcome back, Michael.
00:00:35,520 \longrightarrow 00:00:39,150
Yeah, it is, it is definitely
Halloween in the studio today.
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00:00:39,150 \longrightarrow 00:00:44,250
Let me try and, uh, let me try and conjure
an image in the Theater of the Mind.
14
00:00:44,340 --> 00:00:46,200
Yes, that is, uh, that is pod land.
00:00:46,590 --> 00:00:49,950
I'm gonna get a fashion commentary
once and for all this is gonna happen.
16
00:00:50,190 --> 00:00:50,280
Yeah.
17
00:00:50,285 --> 00:00:54,750
Producer, Producer Sefa is
dressed in a, uh, a suit jacket.
00:00:54,949 --> 00:00:57,680
Uh, there's little pocket
square, there's a little flower,
19
00:00:57,680 --> 00:00:59,209
there's a nice little floral tie.
2.0
00:00:59,209 --> 00:01:00,530
There's a nice little check shirt.
21
00:01:00,739 --> 00:01:02,660
There are some round horning glasses.
22
00:01:02,660 --> 00:01:04,610
And there is a, there is a hairstyle.
23
00:01:04,614 --> 00:01:07,910
When I walked in, it was
like, Oh, your pat from snl.
00:01:08,250 --> 00:01:08,600
Oh.
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00:01:08,750 --> 00:01:13,130
But instead your Halloween
costume is, I'm Buzzy Cohen.
00:01:13,130 --> 00:01:13,699
Woohoo.
27
00:01:14,179 --> 00:01:15,020
I'm friend of the pot.
28
00:01:15,080 --> 00:01:15,770
Buzzy Cohen.
29
00:01:15,830 --> 00:01:15,979
Yeah.
00:01:15,979 --> 00:01:16,220
Yes.
31
00:01:16,220 --> 00:01:19,100
We have some photos of us as
double buzzy, Double vision.
00:01:19,280 --> 00:01:19,670
Okay.
33
00:01:19,729 --> 00:01:21,979
And buzzy, uh, today is dressed.
34
00:01:23,085 --> 00:01:25,755
Very uncharacteristic, buzzy wear shorts.
00:01:25,965 --> 00:01:27,375
A plain black t-shirt.
36
00:01:27,795 --> 00:01:30,405
Um, he's wearing horn room
classes, uh, need them to see.
00:01:30,465 --> 00:01:31,245
Okay, good.
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38
00:01:31,245 --> 00:01:32,024
That's important.
00:01:32,384 --> 00:01:34,545
Uh, I also have a production headset.
40
00:01:34,550 --> 00:01:34,945
Oh yes.
41
00:01:34,945 --> 00:01:35,865
You're wearing two headsets.
42
00:01:35,865 --> 00:01:39,795
I'm gonna see if, based on those clues,
anyone out there in inside Jeopardy land.
43
00:01:39,795 --> 00:01:41,505
Cuz this is inside Jeopardy.
44
00:01:41,625 --> 00:01:42,315
Deeply inside.
00:01:42,405 --> 00:01:45,255
Oh, you've been to the set
and you've been a contestant.
46
00:01:45,645 --> 00:01:48,884
You know exactly who
buzzy is at this point.
47
00:01:48,884 --> 00:01:49,395
Buzzy you.
00:01:50,130 \longrightarrow 00:01:52,370
Mitch, the sound guy,
Mitch, the sound man.
00:01:52,680 --> 00:01:53,280
Very clever.
00:01:54,060 --> 00:01:56,190
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. I mean, well, for those of us who
have been contestants, Mitch is
51
00:01:56,190 --> 00:01:58,920
a real touchstone for us because
he's one of the first person
52
00:01:58,920 --> 00:02:00,660
who calls you Champ after you.
53
00:02:00,660 --> 00:02:01,140
I love it.
54
00:02:01,230 --> 00:02:01,590
That's so nice.
00:02:01,590 --> 00:02:03,870
And he calls you Champ
when he mics you up again.
56
00:02:03,870 --> 00:02:07,860
And I, It was, so he's, he's
very, got a very calming presence.
57
00:02:07,860 --> 00:02:09,360
He's very important, but.
58
00:02:09,854 --> 00:02:10,335
As well.
59
00:02:10,335 --> 00:02:12,645
I realize that he just calls you
Champs so he doesn't have to learn
00:02:12,645 --> 00:02:14,415
your name . That's very good.
61
00:02:14,775 --> 00:02:15,765
That's very, very good.
62
00:02:15,765 --> 00:02:17,805
Yeah, I get a fist bump from
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Mitch every now and then. 63 00:02:17,835 --> 00:02:20,655 Yeah, as you, I hope it's always well deserved when you get one. 64 00:02:20,655 --> 00:02:23,145 I wanna remind everyone we're dressed up for Halloween and to 65 00:02:23,145 --> 00:02:28,375 share your Jeopardy themed costumes using hashtag deathly double and a. 66 00:02:28,690 --> 00:02:33,579 A double blind panel of my choosing will receive the prize for best jeopardy 67 00:02:33,579 --> 00:02:37,690 themed costume, which is a photograph of Ken Jennings, signed by Buzzy Cohen.  $00:02:37,750 \longrightarrow 00:02:39,370$ Oh, extremely rare. 00:02:39,519 --> 00:02:39,579 Yeah. 70 00:02:39,579 --> 00:02:40,150 Very rare. 71 00:02:40,269 --> 00:02:43,329 Rare and highly, highly cove Valuable. 00:02:43,450 --> 00:02:45,850 Uh, neither of you have commented on my Halloween costume.

73 00:02:45,850 --> 00:02:48,370 Well, we were waiting for you to describe it for us.

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00:02:48,400 --> 00:02:48,459
Yeah.
75
00:02:48,459 --> 00:02:50,950
Uh, double breasted Blue
Blazer, black t-shirt.
76
00:02:51,690 --> 00:02:55,980
Pair of, uh, mantra sort of cords,
jeans, and a pair of Adidas sneakers.
00:02:55,980 --> 00:02:59,220
That is the Michael Davies is on the,
There is a handkerchief on the waist.
00:02:59,700 --> 00:03:00,630
He works to my belt.
79
00:03:00,630 --> 00:03:00,929
Yeah.
80
00:03:01,019 --> 00:03:01,500
Yeah.
81
00:03:01,500 --> 00:03:04,230
That's, This is the, this is he, Michael
Dav ep Michael Davies, outfit Davis.
82
00:03:04,234 --> 00:03:06,540
He, I think Lilly, um, did actually.
00:03:06,605 --> 00:03:07,535
A men Blazers.
00:03:07,535 \longrightarrow 00:03:10,174
The men in Blazers, but she did me
as Men in Blazers, which is slightly
00:03:10,174 --> 00:03:13,174
different, but this is the ep,
Michael Davies Halloween outfit.
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00:03:13,174 --> 00:03:13,415
All right.
87
00:03:13,415 --> 00:03:14,825
Well, thanks for getting into the spirit.
88
00:03:15,125 --> 00:03:16,625
You are welcome.
89
00:03:16,655 --> 00:03:17,045
Okay.
90
00:03:17,135 --> 00:03:21,005
We have the heaviest script in
the history of Inside Jeopardy.
91
00:03:21,005 --> 00:03:22,655
It's about 38 pages.
92
00:03:22,745 --> 00:03:23,765
We've got a lot to get through.
93
00:03:23,825 --> 00:03:24,565
Let's get right to it.
94
00:03:24,810 --> 00:03:25,500
Sarah fos.
00:03:25,500 --> 00:03:27,540
Well, first off, today
is a very special day.
00:03:27,570 --> 00:03:32,310
It is the kickoff of our historic
2022 Tournament of Champions.
97
00:03:32,640 --> 00:03:34,320
I can't believe it is finally here.
98
00:03:34,320 --> 00:03:38,040
I can't wait to dive into this
week's games next week on the pod.
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99  $00:03:38,280 \longrightarrow 00:03:43,170$ Lots to discuss and we have come to the end of our road to the toc. 100 00:03:43,230 --> 00:03:46,800 So later in today's episode, you are going to have a chance to hear my conversations. 101 00:03:47,135 --> 00:03:52,924 Final Five Champions, Second Chancellors, Jessica Stevens and Rowan Ward, along 102 00:03:52,924 --> 00:03:57,875 with our three seated semi-finalist Matea Roach, Madam Oio and Amy Schneider. 103 00:03:58,084 --> 00:03:59,435 Make sure you stick around for that. 104 00:03:59,435 --> 00:04:03,605 But first, we wrapped up week two of the Second Chance competition on Friday, 105 00:04:03,665 --> 00:04:08,839 and you know, Rowan Ward secured that final spot in the toc last night. 106 00:04:08,839 --> 00:04:11,690 We witnessed another exciting game of celebrity Jeopardy 107 00:04:11,690 --> 00:04:13,280 with Troy and Bellisario. 108 00:04:13,280 --> 00:04:18,050 Will Wheaton and Hassan Minhaj competing for a spot in our next semi-final game. 109 00:04:18,140 --> 00:04:19,039

So much to talk about.

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00:04:19,099 --> 00:04:19,640
Yes.
111
00:04:19,820 --> 00:04:23,780
Uh, so much gameplay to discuss, but I
wanna start, I know we're at the toc.
112
00:04:24,409 --> 00:04:24,710
I know.
113
00:04:24,715 --> 00:04:26,090
We're, we've just concluded.
114
00:04:26,090 --> 00:04:29,780
Second chance, we've got something
way more important to discuss.
115
00:04:30,065 --> 00:04:33,755
We recently shared a clip on Instagram
of Ken Jennings revealing that
116
00:04:33,755 \longrightarrow 00:04:38,135
one of the things he misses about
Jeopardy is the Beepboop music.
117
00:04:38,140 --> 00:04:40,565
Not that he misses, I think
that he's nostalgic about the
118
00:04:40,565 --> 00:04:42,275
Jeopardy is the beep boot music.
119
00:04:42,275 --> 00:04:45,455
The beep boo, boo beep, Boo boo music
that played at the start of each round.
120
00:04:45,885 --> 00:04:47,355
When the dollar amounts were displayed.
121
00:04:48,015 --> 00:04:49,965
This ended, what, about three years ago?
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 $00:04:50,295 \longrightarrow 00:04:51,165$  Something like that.

123

00:04:51,170 --> 00:04:51,575 A little more.

124

00:04:51,575 --> 00:04:51,735 A little more.

125

00:04:51,735 --> 00:04:52,005 Okay.

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00:04:52,125 --> 00:04:54,585 Producer, Sarah, let me know they were removed from the show because

127

00:04:54,590 --> 00:04:57,705 they took time away from the clues, but the people have spoken,

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 $00:04:58,065 \longrightarrow 00:05:00,945$  they want the beep boobs back.

129

00:05:01,185 --> 00:05:01,935 They're demanding it.

130

00:05:01,935 --> 00:05:04,665 Yeah, we are, and we are, I should say, deeply considering it.

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00:05:04,665 --> 00:05:06,555 For those of you who don't know what we're talking about, let's at least

132

00:05:06,805 --> 00:05:09,435 play the beat boob so that everybody knows what we're talking about.

133

00:05:15,289 --> 00:05:20,060
To me, that means you're about to get, I know, 30 minutes of top quality trivia.

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00:05:20,180 --> 00:05:20,570
Yeah.
135
00:05:20,570 --> 00:05:22,669
Rolled back into some
jeopardy history right there.
136
00:05:22,870 --> 00:05:23,630
It's such a great noise.
137
00:05:23,630 --> 00:05:26,419
I mean, it's like there, there
are noises that used to play daily
138
00:05:26,424 --> 00:05:29,570
in our lives and that was sort of
like anybody who lived in the era.
139
00:05:30,420 --> 00:05:32,970
You know, old telephonic technology.
140
00:05:32,970 --> 00:05:36,800
That was the sort of sound, but it also
felt like the future, future, future,
141
00:05:36,800 --> 00:05:38,281
future, retro future, something like that.
142
00:05:38,286 --> 00:05:38,310
Yes.
143
00:05:38,520 --> 00:05:40,110
I love that . Um, yeah.
00:05:40,110 \longrightarrow 00:05:40,740
It's so good.
145
00:05:40,860 --> 00:05:42,630
Do you think they stay as they are?
146
00:05:42,635 --> 00:05:45,180
Do you think we modernize them slightly?
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147
00:05:45,180 --> 00:05:45,240
No.
148
00:05:45,240 --> 00:05:46,770
Like what, what's the thought on that?
149
00:05:46,770 --> 00:05:48,331
Listen about No, no, I don't.
150
00:05:48,420 --> 00:05:51,060
I mean, some things don't
need, Some things came out just
151
00:05:51,060 --> 00:05:52,110
as they should be, I think.
152
00:05:52,110 --> 00:05:54,810
Do you know, it's very interesting
because, you know, there is a,
00:05:55,170 --> 00:05:56,340
this is something which you.
154
00:05:57,275 --> 00:05:58,905
It is a tough adjustment for me.
155
00:05:58,905 --> 00:06:02,115
As you know, I am a, I'm
an aggressive producer.
156
00:06:02,145 --> 00:06:03,195
I like I.
157
00:06:04,170 --> 00:06:08,160
Switching things up and I think has been
stated on the Reddit page that very often
158
00:06:08,160 --> 00:06:13,230
there are conservative voices on the
show, such as producer, Sarah Fos , who
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159
00:06:13,230 --> 00:06:18,150
reign in my more aggressive instincts,
death on show, sometimes with death
160
00:06:18,150 --> 00:06:23,130
stares and, and um, you know, sometimes
calming conversations and I need it.
161
00:06:23,130 --> 00:06:25,950
That's the sort of system,
Yeah, I like operating within.
162
00:06:26,280 --> 00:06:28,770
Um, but I think this
was one change that was.
163
00:06:29,465 --> 00:06:30,935
That I probably wouldn't have done.
164
00:06:30,965 --> 00:06:34,385
I love there are so few opportunities
on jeopardy to play sound effects.
165
00:06:34,385 --> 00:06:36,575
As you know, one of the things I
did hasn't been written down a lot.
166
00:06:36,575 --> 00:06:36,915
Sound design.
167
00:06:36,915 --> 00:06:37,835
I love sound design.
168
00:06:38,315 --> 00:06:40,865
One of my big things I bought
was sound design into the open.
169
00:06:40,865 --> 00:06:44,105
Sarah had to deal with me on that
for the first month of my tenure.
170
00:06:44,375 --> 00:06:46,325
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Um, but I like a bit of sound design.
171
00:06:46,330 --> 00:06:48,485
So there's so few
opportunities for sound design.
172
00:06:48,485 --> 00:06:50,675
There are a lot of places on most game
shows where you have sound effects.
173
00:06:50,675 --> 00:06:51,575
Japanese has no sound.
174
00:06:51,575 --> 00:06:52,475
I actually quite like that.
175
00:06:52,475 --> 00:06:52,985
It's quite good.
176
00:06:53,164 --> 00:06:54,935
But this is a place where there was sound.
177
00:06:55,085 --> 00:06:55,715
Now there is.
178
00:06:56,669 --> 00:06:57,840
It would be great to have it back.
00:06:58,049 --> 00:06:58,260
Yeah.
180
00:06:58,260 \longrightarrow 00:07:02,010
I think it's a good indication that
we're moving away from the opening chit
181
00:07:02,010 \longrightarrow 00:07:03,390
chat and we're getting into the game.
182
00:07:03,630 --> 00:07:03,690
Yeah.
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00:07:03,690 --> 00:07:04,440 That's my feeling. 184 00:07:04,500 --> 00:07:07,770 It's a, it's a great, you know, I work in sound and I think I'm with you. 185 00:07:07,890 --> 00:07:10,140 Are you saying that as, as Mitch, the audio guy that you 186 00:07:10,145 --> 00:07:11,669 work in sound or as buzzy? 187 00:07:11,679 --> 00:07:14,130 I'm, you know, I'm wearing the glasses, but I am dressed as 188 00:07:14,130 --> 00:07:17,340 Mitch, so it's like both, I both, right now a hybrid, I'm a monster.  $00:07:17,340 \longrightarrow 00:07:21,035$ Call in on beat boobs, , That's so, Uh, well, I'm very excited 190 00:07:21,035 --> 00:07:21,875 about the beep boo beep. 191 00:07:21,875 --> 00:07:23,285 So, we, we don't really have a timeline. 192 00:07:23,285 --> 00:07:25,715 We, we, we gotta, we gotta figure out when we're gonna do it. 193 00:07:25,835 --> 00:07:29,705 I'm also very into, I want that beep boo beepboop beep beep boo boo boo. 194

00:07:29,735 --> 00:07:31,385

I want that as a ring tone on my phone.

195  $00:07:31,475 \longrightarrow 00:07:31,715$ Yeah. 196 00:07:31,835 --> 00:07:35,315 Um, although who's, who's, actually, my phone just beeped right at that point, 00:07:35,525 --> 00:07:37,805 but who actually has ring tones on it on. 198 00:07:38,685 --> 00:07:40,664 Um, yeah, Producer Lisa Broman. 199 00:07:40,695 --> 00:07:44,925 She's the only phone I ever hear ring in the control room frequently at volume, 200 00:07:45,195 --> 00:07:47,955 but, uh, we don't have a lot of, uh, ring tones, but I would like to have 00:07:47,955 --> 00:07:49,275 the ring tone for beep boo beep beep. 202 00:07:49,335 --> 00:07:52,094 I, I think a lot, you know, my parents are ring tone people. 203 00:07:52,094 --> 00:07:53,565 They might be, they might be into that. 204 00:07:53,565 --> 00:07:56,390 I think there are lot of people out there, but hey, We're on a podcast. 205 00:07:56,390 --> 00:07:57,680 We are not on the show. 206 00:07:57,680 --> 00:07:58,760 We can do whatever we want.

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00:07:58,820 \longrightarrow 00:07:59,300
Yes, we can.
208
00:07:59,300 --> 00:07:59,620
We can.
209
00:07:59,625 --> 00:08:02,180
I, I want to bring the
beep boob into the pod.
210
00:08:02,270 --> 00:08:04,850
Yeah, Michael, as our
transition for game recaps.
211
00:08:04,900 --> 00:08:05,100
Okay.
212
00:08:05,100 --> 00:08:05,340
I love that.
213
00:08:05,340 --> 00:08:05,700
Wonderful.
00:08:05,705 --> 00:08:06,080
Okay.
215
00:08:06,080 --> 00:08:06,920
Can we do it right now?
216
00:08:06,950 --> 00:08:09,080
Yeah, let's get into the game recaps.
217
00:08:15,180 --> 00:08:15,990
Oh, perfect.
218
00:08:15,990 --> 00:08:17,850
That's a great addition
to our gameplay recaps.
219
00:08:18,060 --> 00:08:21,450
And now for another great addition,
joining us to discuss week two
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220 00:08:21,450 --> 00:08:23,160 of the Second Chance competition. 221 00:08:23,430 --> 00:08:26,640 I am going to enable and introduce the enabler. 222 00:08:26,859 --> 00:08:29,530 Senior researcher and gameplay analyst, Michael Harris. 223 00:08:29,530 --> 00:08:31,120 Welcome back to Inside Jeopardy. 224 00:08:31,150 --> 00:08:32,230 Thank you, Michael. 225 00:08:32,230 --> 00:08:32,980 Hey, Sarah. 226 00:08:32,980 --> 00:08:33,610 Hey, Buzzy. 00:08:33,640 --> 00:08:34,360 Welcome, Michael. 228 00:08:34,360 --> 00:08:35,500 Let's get right into it. 229 00:08:35,500 --> 00:08:40,000 Monday's game, we have Sarah Snyder, Jeff Smith, and Sadie Goldberger all 230 00:08:40,005 --> 00:08:41,740 returning for their second chance. 231 00:08:41,770 --> 00:08:45,160 Now, this is one of those games, I think all three of them, of course, wanna make

00:08:45,160 --> 00:08:48,880 it to the finals, but Sadie may have a little something extra to prove she comes 00:08:48,880 --> 00:08:51,699 up with a win with Who is Ernest Hemming? 234 00:08:52,194 --> 00:08:56,454 She writes down every single one of those letters completely on her podium. 235 00:08:56,459 --> 00:08:57,655 All the words, all the letters. 236 00:08:57,745 --> 00:09:00,655 She got it all in this time, no Tubman 2.0. 237 00:09:01,229 --> 00:09:04,650 Yeah, she definitely had something to prove after her first appearance, and 00:09:04,650 --> 00:09:06,810 she made it clear that she came to play. 239 00:09:06,930 --> 00:09:09,900 All three players corrected final jeopardy, but Sadie was uncatchable. 00:09:09,930 --> 00:09:10,229 Okay. 2.41 00:09:10,229 --> 00:09:14,939 Heading into Tuesday's game, we've got Tom Phillipos, Alicia O'Hare, and 242 00:09:14,939 --> 00:09:17,520 Jack Weller back for a second Chance. 243 00:09:17,819 --> 00:09:19,500 Jack Weller takes this game.

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00:09:19,500 --> 00:09:20,520
What'd you guys think about it?
245
00:09:20,790 --> 00:09:20,939
Yeah.
246
00:09:20,939 --> 00:09:25,229
This is one of those games where Jack, if
you look at the stats, isn't necessarily.
247
00:09:25,725 --> 00:09:30,615
That far ahead, but really lets
the daily doubles do the talking
248
00:09:30,615 --> 00:09:32,655
and ends up with barely a runaway.
249
00:09:32,655 --> 00:09:33,705
But a runaway is a runaway.
250
00:09:33,705 --> 00:09:36,645
And you know, as we know in these
competitions, it's all points.
251
00:09:36,645 --> 00:09:37,995
You just wanna make it to the next round.
252
00:09:37,995 --> 00:09:42,195
And he secured that with $12,000 almost.
253
00:09:42,200 --> 00:09:42,735
Exactly.
254
00:09:42,740 --> 00:09:44,595
His difference was in his, in the.
255
00:09:45,015 --> 00:09:45,765
Deli doubled.
00:09:45,824 --> 00:09:46,064
Yeah.
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257
00:09:46,064 --> 00:09:49,725
And Alicia was really trying to close
that gap cuz she could tell toward the
258
00:09:49,725 --> 00:09:51,675
end of the DJ round that she was close.
259
00:09:51,885 --> 00:09:54,675
But those last final clues
just did not fall her way.
260
00:09:54,855 --> 00:09:57,435
And so Jack was able to keep that margin.
261
00:09:57,675 --> 00:10:01,694
They may have been doing a little laughing
online at what is Meese, but they're not
262
00:10:01,694 --> 00:10:03,555
laughing at the fact that Jack is headed.
00:10:03,625 --> 00:10:05,425
To the finals in Second Chance.
00:10:05,725 --> 00:10:05,995
Okay.
265
00:10:05,995 --> 00:10:08,875
We head on to Wednesday's game
now where we welcomed back.
266
00:10:09,115 --> 00:10:12,355
Nicki Poro, Do Park and Rowan Ward.
267
00:10:12,745 --> 00:10:15,475
This game was all Rowans.
268
00:10:15,715 --> 00:10:15,985
Yeah.
269
00:10:16,165 --> 00:10:19,255
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I was in the studio for this and the second Rowan got on the

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00:10:19,255 --> 00:10:22,315 stage, they were just on fire.

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00:10:22,435 --> 00:10:24,685 Positive, Excited to be there.

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00:10:24,745 --> 00:10:29,665

And the game once, once Rowan turned it on, there was no turning it off.

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00:10:29,725 --> 00:10:29,815 Yeah.

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00:10:29,845 --> 00:10:32,845 So much buzz coming into second chance.

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00:10:33,510 --> 00:10:37,589 About Rowan, about what a great player that they are.

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00:10:37,829 --> 00:10:42,120
Big in the trivia world did not disappoint, Uh, on the Trobe

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00:10:42,120 --> 00:10:45,689 stage, I thought it was interesting that Rowan had a clear runaway.

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00:10:46,080 --> 00:10:48,900 And yet they still wagered 10,000 in final.

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00:10:48,900 --> 00:10:52,710
I had to wonder, was that to put an exclamation point on the win, was

280

00:10:52,710 --> 00:10:57,540 that to get into the highest score podium coming back for the finals?

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281
00:10:57,600 --> 00:11:00,930
You know, as someone who's playing
this, I certainly think there's some
282
00:11:00,935 --> 00:11:06,105
superstition, or at the very least, The
desire to be in that first podium has a
283
00:11:06,375 --> 00:11:08,295
per a little bit of a perception thing.
284
00:11:08,535 --> 00:11:10,875
Did you notice Buzzy just throwing as
someone who's played in this thing, it
285
00:11:10,875 --> 00:11:12,225
was kind of a dis on the rest of us.
286
00:11:12,225 --> 00:11:13,125
I just wanna make that point.
00:11:13,130 --> 00:11:17,145
As a man who's taken the down in, uh,
I've never been in the Second Chance
288
00:11:17,145 --> 00:11:19,935
Tournament, but second chance competition.
289
00:11:19,964 --> 00:11:21,765
I've never been in a second
chance Competi, I have to
00:11:21,765 --> 00:11:23,685
say, who are wondering why.
291
00:11:23,685 --> 00:11:24,944
We always wanna clarify that.
292
00:11:24,944 --> 00:11:27,824
But every tournament we've ever
had on Jeopardy in the past
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293
00:11:27,824 --> 00:11:29,925
has resulted in one Champion.
00:11:29,930 --> 00:11:30,454
Mm-hmm.
295
00:11:30,535 --> 00:11:31,135
. So we wanted to.
296
00:11:31,235 --> 00:11:35,255
Second chance competition because we
would be having two people moving on.
297
00:11:35,255 --> 00:11:39,995
And that's the reason I'm gonna settle it
now once and for all left and the right
298
00:11:40,155 --> 00:11:45,125
TWIs, but all of these second chances,
they were never in the champions podium.
00:11:45,155 --> 00:11:48,305
So I think it means a little
something extra and I think that's,
300
00:11:48,460 --> 00:11:50,080
What Rowan was trying to secure.
301
00:11:50,500 --> 00:11:51,160
Interesting point.
302
00:11:51,160 --> 00:11:55,060
Almost take you seriously, uh, but very,
very difficult considering your buzzy CO
303
00:11:55,220 --> 00:11:57,420
and h . And nobody takes me seriously.
304
00:11:57,420 --> 00:12:00,070
And can I say how tight the
wig cap is at this point off?
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305
00:12:00,410 --> 00:12:03,760
I can barely think because of the
constriction from the wig cap,
306
00:12:03,760 --> 00:12:05,050
but I'm committed to my costume.
307
00:12:05,055 --> 00:12:05,350
Okay.
308
00:12:05,350 --> 00:12:09,730
And we are headed into Thursday's
game where Rowan Ward Jack Weller and
309
00:12:09,730 --> 00:12:12,640
Sadie Goldberg are now in our two day.
310
00:12:13,040 --> 00:12:17,270
Total playing a fair buzzy . Um, yeah.
311
00:12:17,329 --> 00:12:21,230
And um, once again, we saw how
the two day total point of fair.
312
00:12:21,960 --> 00:12:24,300
Sometimes matters, sometimes doesn't.
313
00:12:24,300 --> 00:12:28,080
Man, Rowan was on fire.
314
00:12:28,260 --> 00:12:28,440
Yeah.
00:12:28,440 --> 00:12:29,130
Look at those stats.
316
00:12:29,130 --> 00:12:31,470
37 correct responses.
317
00:12:31,470 \longrightarrow 00:12:35,070
They just really kicked it in
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gear and I think both Jack and

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00:12:35,070 --> 00:12:36,750 Sadie were kind of flat footed.

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00:12:36,750 --> 00:12:39,690 They were totally surprised how Rowan performed.

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00:12:40,085 --> 00:12:43,965 I loved our Daniel Radcliffe collage category.

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00:12:43,965 --> 00:12:45,705 I don't know if you picked up what the writers did there.

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00:12:45,705 --> 00:12:47,955 Cause we had a great category all about Daniel Radcliffe.

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00:12:47,955 --> 00:12:52,215 Of course he's starring in the new weird Al Yankovic biopic.

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00:12:52,275 --> 00:12:52,365 Yes.

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00:12:52,365 --> 00:12:53,235 I'm very excited about that.

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00:12:53,295 --> 00:12:55,845
I actually had the chance to
talk with him and I said, So you

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00:12:55,850 --> 00:12:57,295 have to tell me, do you sing?

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00:12:58,050 --> 00:13:02,220
I lost on Jeopardy in the film and he said, Well, it plays on the radio in one

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00:13:02,220 --> 00:13:05,250
of the scenes, but he didn't actually
get the chance to sing it so close.
00:13:05,450 --> 00:13:06,240
I'm very disappointed.
331
00:13:06,240 --> 00:13:10,770
But then our writers came back and had
Radcliffe College in another round.
332
00:13:10,950 --> 00:13:11,790
Yeah, they're brilliant.
333
00:13:11,795 --> 00:13:12,840
Those writers too.
334
00:13:12,840 --> 00:13:13,290
Smart.
335
00:13:13,350 --> 00:13:16,920
And we're headed into day two of
our two day total point of fair.
336
00:13:17,040 --> 00:13:17,160
Yeah.
337
00:13:17,160 --> 00:13:20,070
Friday's game a little bit more
of the same, but Jack, Well.
338
00:13:20,655 --> 00:13:22,035
He, he put a run in for it.
00:13:22,215 --> 00:13:22,455
Yeah.
340
00:13:22,455 --> 00:13:27,765
Jack was well prepared this time because
he knew how well Rowan performed in their
341
00:13:27,765 --> 00:13:29,895
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previous outing and he came to play.

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00:13:29,895 --> 00:13:33,755

He put a lot of numbers up on the board and he really was challenging

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 $00:13:33,760 \longrightarrow 00:13:35,655$  them for the lead in this game.

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00:13:35,775 --> 00:13:41,895
And it, it basically forced Rowan to actually play in in final, which

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 $00:13:42,015 \longrightarrow 00:13:43,575$  I know one of the reasons that.

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00:13:44,555 --> 00:13:48,815 Executive producer Michael Davies is not a fan of a two day total point

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00:13:48,815 --> 00:13:52,055 affairs because sometimes, uh, you end up with a foregone conclusion.

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00:13:52,115 --> 00:13:57,725
Here's a case where somebody on Thursday
just looked unbeatable and, oh, what a

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00:13:57,725 --> 00:13:59,345 little interesting wagering going on here.

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00:13:59,405 --> 00:14:03,335
May I just say, uh, on behalf of executive producer Michael Davies and

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00:14:03,335 --> 00:14:06,065
his point of view vis-a-vis the two day total fair, since you're dressed as him,

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00:14:06,065 --> 00:14:09,695 that it's not that I don't appreciate the two day total point of fair.

353 00:14:10,025 --> 00:14:13,355 I just prefer in a tournament. 354 00:14:13,415 --> 00:14:19,685 Not a competition ah, but in a tournament, I prefer that the, the new iteration Yeah. 355 00:14:19,745 --> 00:14:23,944 That we see play out int c uh, of the best of seven. 356 00:14:23,974 --> 00:14:24,245 Yeah. 357 00:14:24,724 --> 00:14:25,444 Series. 358 00:14:25,625 --> 00:14:27,785 And we'll see how that plays out on our coming weeks. 00:14:27,785 --> 00:14:28,295 We will play. 360 00:14:28,295 --> 00:14:29,944 It has been said that Jeopardy is a sport. 361 00:14:30,094 --> 00:14:31,954 It has been said once or twice Now. 362 00:14:31,954 --> 00:14:36,814 If Jack had been correct and Rowan incorrect, he would've advanced 363 00:14:36,814 --> 00:14:42,035 to the toc, but it is Rowan headed to the TOC with our second spot. 364 00:14:42,840 --> 00:14:43,140 Woo.

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00:14:43,470 --> 00:14:49,230
And let's just say 64 correct
responses, , in those two games in the
00:14:49,230 --> 00:14:51,720
total point of fair, an average of 32.
367
00:14:51,900 --> 00:14:52,500
What?
368
00:14:52,935 --> 00:14:59,205
A jeopardy player, the way they hold
themselves and the, the smile and the fun.
369
00:14:59,235 --> 00:15:01,935
I used to play against somebody
like this in junior tennis who
370
00:15:01,935 --> 00:15:04,965
was always smiling and always in a
great mood and it was impossible.
371
00:15:04,970 --> 00:15:09,015
I sort of tried to adopt it myself, , and
all I became was a very, very happy loser.
372
00:15:09,420 --> 00:15:11,685
. It's just so aggravating.
00:15:11,805 --> 00:15:12,075
Yeah.
374
00:15:12,075 --> 00:15:12,765
To play against.
375
00:15:13,560 --> 00:15:18,300
Who is smiling the entire time and having
such a great time as they destroy you.
376
00:15:18,360 --> 00:15:20,940
We had a conversation, and maybe we'll
get into it next week as we get into
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377
00:15:20,940 --> 00:15:26,520
the toc, You watch someone like Rowan
coming out of Second Chance competition,
378
00:15:26,790 --> 00:15:29,490
playing extremely, extremely well.
379
00:15:29,490 --> 00:15:33,120
Now, not a total row away, but
even the game, the second game
380
00:15:33,120 --> 00:15:34,290
of the two day total point of.
381
00:15:35,474 --> 00:15:38,775
going into final with $20,000 is no joke.
382
00:15:38,834 --> 00:15:42,285
And we had a conversation, Where
do you seed someone like this?
00:15:42,675 --> 00:15:45,704
Well, and also they were in such form.
384
00:15:46,125 --> 00:15:49,905
There is some advantage going into
the TOC coming out of the Second
385
00:15:49,905 --> 00:15:53,235
Chance competition because you
just played, you just have reps.
00:15:53,355 --> 00:15:54,385
Uh, you are right there.
387
00:15:54,844 --> 00:15:59,444
Um, and we should say these were just
days apart based on travel and hours.
388
00:15:59,685 --> 00:16:01,155
Yeah, they were days.
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389
00:16:01,185 --> 00:16:01,334
Yeah.
390
00:16:02,535 --> 00:16:04,005
, but it was, it was a quick turnaround.
391
00:16:04,094 --> 00:16:08,625
Well, that brings us to the end of our
first ever second chance competition.
00:16:08,625 --> 00:16:10,724
Thank you so much, Michael
Harris for joining us.
393
00:16:10,724 --> 00:16:12,435
I really enjoyed diving
into these games with you.
394
00:16:12,660 --> 00:16:13,380
My pleasure.
00:16:13,380 --> 00:16:17,280
Looking forward to watching both
Jessica and Rowan compete in the toc.
396
00:16:17,370 --> 00:16:22,319
Moving on, it's time for Celebrity
Jeopardy Celebr in primetime, and we
397
00:16:22,325 --> 00:16:28,170
had another great episode with Troy and
Bellisario, Will Wheaton and Hassan Minaj.
398
00:16:28,310 --> 00:16:30,180
I, I haven't watched any
of these in the studio.
399
00:16:30,180 --> 00:16:32,970
I'm watching them along with
everyone at home and these celebrity
400
00:16:32,970 --> 00:16:35,849
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shows are, Better and better.

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00:16:36,030 --> 00:16:40,410
And coming into this, I thought that this was Will Wheaton by a mile.

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00:16:40,410 --> 00:16:45,300

Now the final scores say will Wheaton
by a mile, but if we had a second chance

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00:16:45,305 --> 00:16:49,920 celebrity competition, I think Troy and Bellisario really impressed me.

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00:16:49,920 --> 00:16:53,370 Got some very tough and what I would consider academic clues.

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00:16:53,699 --> 00:16:57,780
Hassan knew a lot of stuff and I
think if next time on the celebrity

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00:16:57,780 --> 00:17:01,770 second chance competition, we will maybe see a more composed Hassan.

407

00:17:01,770 --> 00:17:04,530 I hope he comes back and, uh oh, Second Chance celebrity.

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00:17:04,530 --> 00:17:05,490 That's Chance Celebrity.

409

00:17:05,490 --> 00:17:05,550 Yeah.

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00:17:05,849 --> 00:17:06,629 Well, do you know what there is?

411

00:17:06,780 --> 00:17:09,960
Traian has already got back in touch with us and said that she wants to come back

412 00:17:09,964 --> 00:17:12,450 on the show next year, and I do think. 413 00:17:12,464 --> 00:17:17,175 Perhaps we're celeb, celebrity Jeopardies doing so well in primetime, by the way. 414 00:17:17,324 --> 00:17:19,425 And I do believe we're gonna be back again. 415 00:17:19,425 --> 00:17:21,554 It's not official, It's not official announcement, but I do believe we're 416 00:17:21,554 --> 00:17:22,875 gonna be back for years to come. 417 00:17:23,264 --> 00:17:27,224 But you know, the idea, it's kind of like when they play the, the celebrity, uh, 418 00:17:27,254 --> 00:17:29,205 game during Allstar weekend in the nba. 419 00:17:29,205 --> 00:17:29,264 Yeah. 420 00:17:29,355 --> 00:17:31,274 It doesn't necessarily have to be completely different 00:17:31,274 --> 00:17:32,235 celebrities every year. 422 00:17:32,235 --> 00:17:32,945 I think we. 423

424

00:17:33,140 --> 00:17:34,310 We may repeat some people.

00:17:34,310 --> 00:17:35,120 I think that's a good idea. 425 00:17:35,120 --> 00:17:38,990 And I just wanna say, if you are someone like Troyan who has what it takes and you 426 00:17:38,990 --> 00:17:42,440 want to take it to the next level, I am on Twitter and I will happily give any 427 00:17:42,440 --> 00:17:44,870 celebrity coaching, coaching Bossy Cohen. 428 00:17:44,870 --> 00:17:48,080 I took it down in the jfl, uh, Jeopardy Coaching School, all 429  $00:17:48,080 \longrightarrow 00:17:52,310$ right, in triple jeopardy will finds all three daily doubles.  $00:17:52,310 \longrightarrow 00:17:54,710$ And there's not much you can do when someone finds all. 431 00:17:55,425 --> 00:17:56,895 And capitalizes on them. 432 00:17:57,045 --> 00:17:58,755 And he, and he was smart about it. 433 00:17:58,755 --> 00:18:01,275 He, every time he hit the daily double, even though when he got wrong, he 434 00:18:01,275 --> 00:18:02,835 said, Okay, I gotta make a move now. 435 00:18:02,835 --> 00:18:05,625 And he, so he, he, he

said, he watches the show.

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436
00:18:05,630 --> 00:18:10,095
He said he's an avid watcher and that,
yeah, familiarity is like, you know,
437
00:18:10,095 --> 00:18:13,745
could, because what we saw in some of the
other games where people making emotional.
438
00:18:14,475 --> 00:18:15,285
Daily double bets.
439
00:18:15,290 --> 00:18:16,035
Oh, I'm scared.
440
00:18:16,035 --> 00:18:16,965
I don't wanna wager that much.
441
00:18:16,995 --> 00:18:19,125
Oh, it's just this amount on the board.
442
00:18:19,305 --> 00:18:22,305
He knew, Okay, this is my
shot to kind of take a lead.
443
00:18:22,305 --> 00:18:25,155
And once, once you've got the
lead, especially if you get.
444
00:18:25,544 --> 00:18:28,635
You know, three more daily doubles and
on the third one he could bet a thousand.
00:18:28,635 --> 00:18:29,205
It didn't matter.
446
00:18:29,210 --> 00:18:30,044
He was so far ahead.
447
00:18:30,195 --> 00:18:30,405
Yeah.
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00:18:30,405 --> 00:18:33,075 Once again, like you said, a real fan of the show. 00:18:33,075 --> 00:18:36,435 Someone who watches it day in, day out, they know it in a different way. 450 00:18:36,524 --> 00:18:40,845 My favorite moment of this show was when there was a clue about Captain 451 00:18:40,845 --> 00:18:44,715 John Luke Picard, who Will Wheaton was on TV with and Troy and got 452 00:18:44,715 --> 00:18:46,544 it, and she had to apologize to. 453 00:18:47,280 --> 00:18:49,020 Um, he took it well though. 454 00:18:49,090 --> 00:18:52,560 He did take it well, but I would be so pissed if I was Will wheat 455 00:18:52,560 --> 00:18:53,640 and I'd still be mad about it. 456 00:18:53,730 --> 00:18:54,120 All right. 457 00:18:54,120 --> 00:18:58,620 Well, he had a runaway game by the end, and he advances to the semi-finals 458 00:18:58,620 --> 00:19:00,660 where he will join John Michael Higgins. 459 00:19:00,780 --> 00:19:05,850

And you can tune in this Sunday, November

6th to find out who will secure our

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00:19:05,880 --> 00:19:09,180
final spot in our second semi-finals.
00:19:09,540 --> 00:19:10,170
All right.
462
00:19:10,170 --> 00:19:11,730
The time has come for our final.
463
00:19:12,345 --> 00:19:15,225
Road to the TOC interviews
464
00:19:20,205 --> 00:19:20,505
people.
465
00:19:20,510 --> 00:19:21,395
It is longer than I.
466
00:19:21,395 --> 00:19:23,265
I like the mic goes pee Peppa at the end.
467
00:19:23,355 --> 00:19:23,625
It's great.
468
00:19:23,625 --> 00:19:25,335
Well, what better way to
get into these interviews?
469
00:19:25,335 --> 00:19:27,915
All right, First up, my
conversation with Second Chance
470
00:19:27,920 --> 00:19:29,835
week one Winner, Jessica Stevens.
471
00:19:30,195 --> 00:19:31,665
Jessica Stevens boy.
472
00:19:31,695 --> 00:19:34,075
What have the last few
days been like for you?
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473
00:19:34,335 --> 00:19:37,155
Um, it has been hard to believe.
474
00:19:37,215 --> 00:19:40,245
I think that once these episodes
air, it'll start to feel real,
475
00:19:40,245 --> 00:19:43,635
cuz it's because other people
can see what has been happening.
476
00:19:43,640 --> 00:19:46,155
But right now it's, it's because.
477
00:19:46,899 --> 00:19:50,800
You have to keep so much private, you
don't wanna spoil any outcomes for,
478
00:19:51,129 --> 00:19:54,040
for people who love the show, it's,
it kind of doesn't feel real to me
479
00:19:54,040 --> 00:19:59,560
cuz so few people even know, um, how
exciting Second Chance competition was.
480
00:19:59,590 --> 00:20:00,010
Yes.
481
00:20:00,010 --> 00:20:03,939
And it was just, you know, like I said
a few days ago that you claimed your.
482
00:20:04,055 --> 00:20:08,165
Spot had a little bit of time to relax,
but then we're headed right into the
483
00:20:08,165 --> 00:20:09,695
Tournament of Champions this week.
484
00:20:10,025 --> 00:20:14,165
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What's it been like to be reunited with Madam Mo and Jonathan Fisher 485 00:20:14,165 --> 00:20:16,655 who didn't know they'd be seeing you in the Tournament of Champions? 486 00:20:17,075 --> 00:20:20,945 I was very tempted the first time I saw each of them to just yell out 487 00:20:20,950 --> 00:20:26,295 Boo . But, um, I did not, I just said hi, but, um, You know, I was there 488 00:20:26,295 --> 00:20:29,025 to compete against 'em the first time I played, but I still really enjoyed 489 00:20:29,025 --> 00:20:30,705 spending that time with both of them.  $00:20:30,705 \longrightarrow 00:20:35,105$ They're both so just great people that, um, obviously it's a, it's a 491 00:20:35,110 --> 00:20:38,145 tournament, it's a competition, but like you, you're still even happy to see the 492 00:20:38,145 --> 00:20:41,415 people who you're playing against do well, and so I was glad to see them. 493 00:20:41,415 --> 00:20:44,715 It's, it's kind of like this has been like a, a high school reunion. 494 00:20:45,255 --> 00:20:48,765 Well, we've never had three people from a regular season.

495 00:20:49,679 --> 00:20:52,800

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Come back to compete against
each other in the turn champions.
496
00:20:52,800 --> 00:20:54,510
It's, it's never been done before.
497
00:20:54,540 --> 00:20:55,620
Groundbreaking Jessica.
498
00:20:55,980 --> 00:20:57,389
Yeah, . Well, I do what I can.
499
00:20:57,570 --> 00:21:01,710
I think it was just so great that this
idea that really came from your game
500
00:21:01,715 --> 00:21:05,550
and your performance and how you came so
close, you know you beat Matti in that
501
00:21:05,550 --> 00:21:07,139
game even though you lost to Jonathan.
502
00:21:07,525 --> 00:21:10,315
But that, that became, we should
give these people, players
503
00:21:10,315 --> 00:21:11,635
like you a second chance.
504
00:21:11,815 --> 00:21:13,975
We do a competition and you win it.
505
00:21:14,125 --> 00:21:15,295
I'm still surprised.
506
00:21:15,295 --> 00:21:19,135
And, and you know, some people, it's,
it's really hard to predict, to look at a
507
00:21:19,140 --> 00:21:23,185
roster who's gonna come out ahead because,
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you know, everybody's a good player.
508
00:21:23,485 --> 00:21:28,525
Um, something that has been, um,
a bit strange for me is knowing
509
00:21:28,915 --> 00:21:30,615
one little change, like one.
510
00:21:31,004 --> 00:21:34,155
Person ringing in just ahead of
me could have made the difference,
511
00:21:34,245 --> 00:21:36,105
um, between me and somebody else.
512
00:21:36,135 --> 00:21:39,284
I, it's, I'm still getting used to
like, oh, that worked out in my favor.
513
00:21:39,284 --> 00:21:41,175
Like, I happen to, to sweep right in.
514
00:21:41,179 --> 00:21:45,495
And, um, so much of it is, is
really down to luck just because.
515
00:21:46,530 --> 00:21:50,100
. Everyone who's been here for Second
Chance has been, and for Tournament of
516
00:21:50,460 --> 00:21:52,500
Champions is just an incredible player.
517
00:21:52,620 --> 00:21:55,290
Yes, there's certainly luck, but
you have to have the skill first.
518
00:21:55,290 --> 00:21:55,350
Yeah.
519
00:21:55,379 --> 00:21:57,810
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To be able to be in a position to have some luck. 520 00:21:58,260 --> 00:22:01,620 Now for months, you knew these 19 people that were in the Tournament 521 00:22:01,620 --> 00:22:03,000 of Champions, they knew each other. 522 00:22:03,620 --> 00:22:07,129 , what was it like when you first kind of stepped in the room and 523 00:22:07,129 --> 00:22:10,040 it's like, here are the final two, this is our field of 21. 524 00:22:10,159 --> 00:22:14,570 It was kind of funny because I sometimes don't realize when I see another 525 00:22:14,570 --> 00:22:18,230 Jeopardy alum that I haven't met that person in real life if I haven't. 526 00:22:18,250 --> 00:22:19,250 You, you see people on tv.  $00:22:19,254 \longrightarrow 00:22:19,340$ Yes. 528 00:22:19,610 --> 00:22:23,210 You see them online and um, you interact with them and you sort of 529 00:22:23,210 --> 00:22:26,389 forget like, Oh, I actually haven't met this person in real life. 530

00:22:26,419 --> 00:22:29,629

It was kind of funny in the the waiting room.

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531
00:22:30,330 --> 00:22:34,830
To see somebody walk by and like,
recognize me or recognize Rowan as like,
532
00:22:34,860 --> 00:22:38,730
Oh, that's, that's like, to see that,
that like double take of, Oh, that's who
533
00:22:38,730 --> 00:22:40,120
walked to That's, that's who that is.
00:22:40,590 --> 00:22:41,080
Yeah.
535
00:22:41,550 --> 00:22:46,050
I was talking to Matt and he said, You
know, it's kind of cool that the both of
536
00:22:46,050 --> 00:22:51,090
the second chancellors were competitors
that gave him a run for his money.
537
00:22:51,090 --> 00:22:53,490
So you and Rowan, Yeah.
538
00:22:53,520 --> 00:22:56,580
When I've seen like Rowan at the hotel
and that kind of stuff, like they're
539
00:22:56,585 --> 00:22:58,530
always in the, they're Emod shirt.
540
00:22:58,530 --> 00:23:01,920
So yes, the Emod can become the.
541
00:23:02,705 --> 00:23:03,625
I'll go later.
542
00:23:03,625 --> 00:23:04,315
Yeah, I know.
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543
00:23:04,320 --> 00:23:04,915
I like it.
00:23:04,945 --> 00:23:05,605
I like it.
545
00:23:05,965 --> 00:23:07,135
Well, anything can happen.
546
00:23:07,135 --> 00:23:09,145
The turn of champions, this is Jeopardy.
00:23:09,145 --> 00:23:09,535
Yeah.
548
00:23:09,625 --> 00:23:10,254
Welcome.
549
00:23:10,260 --> 00:23:12,805
We're so excited to have you
and enjoy the tournament.
550
00:23:12,865 --> 00:23:13,915
Oh, thank you guys for having me.
551
00:23:13,920 --> 00:23:15,655
I am having the time of my life.
552
00:23:16,185 --> 00:23:20,445
And next up, I caught up with Second
Chance, Week two winner, Rowan Ward.
553
00:23:20,955 --> 00:23:21,975
Rowan Ward.
554
00:23:22,155 --> 00:23:25,335
A few days ago we did not know
that we would be seeing you in
555
00:23:25,595 --> 00:23:26,985
the Tournament of Champions.
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556
00:23:27,044 --> 00:23:29,355
How does it feel to be about to compete?
557
00:23:29,534 --> 00:23:34,754
A few days ago, I didn't know I would
be here , but I came here prepared
558
00:23:34,760 --> 00:23:37,605
and hoped that that would pay off and.
559
00:23:38,264 --> 00:23:38,835
It did.
560
00:23:38,835 --> 00:23:43,605
I felt cool as a cucumber
through all my episodes, and they
00:23:43,605 --> 00:23:44,955
asked a lot of stuff I learned.
562
00:23:44,955 --> 00:23:48,945
I always said while I was preparing that,
yeah, there's a lot of luck in jeopardy,
563
00:23:48,945 --> 00:23:54,615
but the best way to make my own luck is to
study and prepare, and it paid off well.
564
00:23:54,615 --> 00:23:58,945
I think we had hopes when we thought of
the second chance competition that it.
565
00:23:59,430 --> 00:24:03,000
Offer, you know, some sense of
redemption for certain players.
566
00:24:03,000 --> 00:24:08,190
You being one of them coming so close
to beating a champion like Madam Oio,
567
00:24:08,340 --> 00:24:12,120
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you get your next chance and you proved throughout that week of competition

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00:24:12,150 --> 00:24:13,840 that you deserve a spot in the toc.

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 $00:24:14,340 \longrightarrow 00:24:14,970$  Thank you.

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00:24:14,975 --> 00:24:20,040 I am really excited to be going into the TOC and I love that I've just

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00:24:20,040 --> 00:24:21,360 had that chance to play Jeopardy.

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 $00:24:21,360 \longrightarrow 00:24:22,110$  It is kind of fun.

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00:24:22,710 --> 00:24:25,080 Have that bit of a recency edge, if you will.

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00:24:25,110 --> 00:24:25,590 Yeah.

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00:24:25,650 --> 00:24:32,040
And yeah, I may not have won as many games as Matt or Matea or Amy or

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00:24:32,040 --> 00:24:37,920
Ryan or anybody, but I feel like my game is as sharp as it's ever going

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00:24:37,920 --> 00:24:44,040 to be, and I don't feel like I'm some kind of long shot, if you will.

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00:24:44,040 --> 00:24:47,880
You know, I'm, I don't think I'm the rich strike of the Tournament of Champions.

00:24:47,910 --> 00:24:49,620 Even when we announced Second chance from the.

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00:24:50,670 --> 00:24:54,000 The community was saying Rowan is going to be a force.

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00:24:54,000 --> 00:24:57,540 Like they are so involved in trivia, like watch out for Rowan.

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00:24:57,540 --> 00:24:58,620 So they were right.

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00:24:59,400 --> 00:25:00,360 I felt really good.

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00:25:00,365 --> 00:25:04,290
I mean, I was a little afraid when they were saying that just because, Oh no,

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00:25:04,290 --> 00:25:05,760 they're putting some pressure on me.

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00:25:05,760 --> 00:25:08,220 But I pushed it out of my head.

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00:25:08,220 --> 00:25:12,305
I'm like, It's not gonna help
much to obsess over that or

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 $00:25:12,305 \longrightarrow 00:25:13,925$  to think about expectations.

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00:25:14,165 --> 00:25:18,455 What's gonna help is to keep studying, to keep working at it, and to focus on

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00:25:18,455 --> 00:25:21,274 the game and not their expectations.

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00:25:21,485 --> 00:25:23,195
I didn't wanna get psyched out by it.
592
00:25:23,555 --> 00:25:25,835
Yeah, and you didn't
just study the material.
593
00:25:25,835 --> 00:25:29,034
You also really engaged in
a lot of buzzer techniques.
594
00:25:29,264 --> 00:25:33,784
I did engage in a lot of buzzer technique
just because I know that knowing a
595
00:25:33,784 --> 00:25:35,555
lot of trivia is part of the picture.
596
00:25:36,060 --> 00:25:41,970
But keeping your cool, being in the right
head space, being fast on the buzzer,
597
00:25:42,210 --> 00:25:48,680
having that timing down, knowing what
Ken's reads sound like, trying to increase
598
00:25:48,685 --> 00:25:50,879
my reaction time as quick as possible.
599
00:25:51,150 --> 00:25:53,160
Those are all essential elements.
600
00:25:53,160 --> 00:25:53,879
Jeopardy.
601
00:25:54,375 --> 00:25:58,485
At its heart is a trivia game,
but it's not only a trivia game.
602
00:25:58,485 --> 00:26:02,385
There are so many other aspects to it, and
I wanted to be prepared for all of them.
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603
00:26:03,225 --> 00:26:07,245
Now, how do you feel you'll have to
adjust your game knowing that there
604
00:26:07,245 --> 00:26:09,765
are no wild cards and obviously.
605
00:26:10,145 --> 00:26:13,775
You know, the format for the finals is
a multi first person to get to three.
606
00:26:13,775 --> 00:26:16,726
So do you think you'll have to adjust
your game style or do you think
607
00:26:16,731 --> 00:26:17,885
you've kind of been playing that way?
608
00:26:17,885 --> 00:26:18,335
Going in?
609
00:26:18,455 --> 00:26:20,405
I don't think I'll have
to adjust it a lot.
610
00:26:20,925 --> 00:26:26,255
Interestingly, I had to do some studying
and some thinking about my wagering theory
611
00:26:26,465 --> 00:26:29,015
for the two day Total point affairs.
612
00:26:29,045 --> 00:26:34,955
Yes, But for the first round of
second chance or for the regular
613
00:26:34,955 --> 00:26:36,995
jeopardy when I was here last year.
614
00:26:37,379 --> 00:26:39,659
The goal is just win.
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615
00:26:40,230 --> 00:26:44,129
And now every single game of the
tournament of champions, even through
616
00:26:44,370 --> 00:26:48,180
to the finals, which has now done
goat style, what does it boil down to?
617
00:26:48,629 --> 00:26:50,159
Just win.
618
00:26:50,340 --> 00:26:52,290
And you're not afraid to
make a big daily double wage.
619
00:26:52,290 --> 00:26:54,870
And we've seen that too, , not at all.
620
00:26:54,870 --> 00:27:00,389
And that's something that it definitely
helped with the practice and keeping
621
00:27:00,389 --> 00:27:03,360
my head in the game and thinking
through all those wagering scenarios.
622
00:27:04,470 --> 00:27:07,800
Coming in prepared made me
very cool headed about making
623
00:27:07,800 \longrightarrow 00:27:10,470
some very big bets and.
624
00:27:11,115 --> 00:27:14,325
That's something I plan on carrying
right into the TOC as well.
625
00:27:14,565 --> 00:27:15,615
Well, you did the work.
626
00:27:15,615 --> 00:27:18,915
You have momentum on your side
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627
00:27:18,915 --> 00:27:20,265
of luck and the turn champions.
628
00:27:20,295 --> 00:27:21,525
Thank you so much.
629
00:27:21,530 --> 00:27:23,295
I am so excited to be here.
630
00:27:23,445 --> 00:27:27,585
And now let's hear from our three
players who based on their impressive
631
00:27:27,590 --> 00:27:29,925
runs, were seated into the semi-finals.
632
00:27:30,195 --> 00:27:32,965
First up, 23 day champion Matea.
00:27:33,709 \longrightarrow 00:27:35,600
Matea Roach, you are back.
634
00:27:35,600 --> 00:27:38,480
You've had a few months to think
about what this would be like.
635
00:27:38,480 --> 00:27:41,030
How are you feeling leading into
the Tournament of Champions?
636
00:27:41,090 --> 00:27:43,909
I'm feeling a lot better
now that I am in Los Angeles
637
00:27:44,000 --> 00:27:48,020
I think the anticipation of coming into
this tournament just with the amazing
638
00:27:48,020 --> 00:27:51,560
field and with having watched everybody's
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and we wish you all the best

games, it was a little bit stressful. 639 00:27:51,564 --> 00:27:54,709 And of course, crossing the border, Covid travel is still a little bit weird. 640  $00:27:54,709 \longrightarrow 00:27:57,379$ But now that I'm here, it's been so exciting meeting 641 00:27:57,379 --> 00:27:58,760 the other contestants and I. 642 00:27:59,115 --> 00:28:02,264 Really stoked to play some, you know, great jeopardy. 643 00:28:02,264 --> 00:28:05,745 Hopefully it'll be more than one game, but if it's only the one, I'll still be happy. 644 00:28:06,165 --> 00:28:08,415 Well, we would be remiss if we didn't mention that. 00:28:08,415 --> 00:28:08,805 Of course. 646 00:28:08,805 --> 00:28:11,475 You're gonna be seated in the semi-finals. 647 00:28:11,475 --> 00:28:14,115 When you first heard about the new format and how things were gonna 648 00:28:14,115 --> 00:28:15,185 play out, what were your thoughts? 649 00:28:15,629 --> 00:28:19,590 So on the one hand I was like, Oh, this is great, cuz my minimum payout

00:28:19,590 --> 00:28:21,270 just went up from the semifinals. 651 00:28:21,510 --> 00:28:23,460 But on the other hand, you know, I think it puts a little bit of 652 00:28:23,460 --> 00:28:25,740 pressure because the implication is, you know, you're one of the 00:28:25,740 --> 00:28:27,060 strongest players in the tournament. 654 00:28:27,060 --> 00:28:30,870 And so for me, I just really hope that my performance in semifinals will. 655 00:28:31,440 --> 00:28:33,660 You know, live up to me being a seated player. 656 00:28:33,720 --> 00:28:35,190 Uh, so I'll certainly try my best. 657 00:28:35,190 --> 00:28:36,360 But yeah, I don't know. 658 00:28:36,360 --> 00:28:37,890 There's, there's so many strong competitors. 659 00:28:37,890 --> 00:28:39,720 Like nothing is a given in this tournament. 660 00:28:39,780 --> 00:28:40,920 That's why we call it Jeopardy.

Right?

00:28:40,920 --> 00:28:41,280

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00:28:41,285 --> 00:28:43,920
It's true . It's all
about those daily doubles.
663
00:28:43,920 --> 00:28:48,180
It's all about gameplay, and obviously
you have to kind of mold your gameplay
664
00:28:48,180 \longrightarrow 00:28:49,770
to whomever you're playing against.
665
00:28:50,040 --> 00:28:53,280
In the semis, Have you thought about
having to make those bigger wagers
666
00:28:53,280 --> 00:28:54,659
or having to play differently?
667
00:28:54,750 \longrightarrow 00:28:59,129
Yes, so I think I knew when I was here
before that the way that I was playing
00:28:59,129 --> 00:29:01,530
was actually maybe not the most strategic.
669
00:29:01,530 --> 00:29:05,850
And yeah, perhaps had I made bigger
daily double wagers, who knows how
670
00:29:05,855 --> 00:29:08,700
much longer I could have played
for or I could have lost earlier.
00:29:08,700 --> 00:29:10,020
You know, you never really know, right?
672
00:29:10,020 --> 00:29:10,710
Maybe you hit the daily.
673
00:29:11,110 --> 00:29:12,129
Not your category.
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00:29:12,490 --> 00:29:15,370
Um, I think I'm prepared to be
more aggressive and if I, you
675
00:29:15,370 --> 00:29:17,770
know, live by the sword, die by
the sword, maybe it'll work out.
676
00:29:17,800 --> 00:29:21,459
Um, I think it is really necessary cause
we have some big wagers in this field.
677
00:29:21,550 --> 00:29:23,949
My priority is just to play
the best possible game I can.
678
00:29:23,949 --> 00:29:27,189
And I think in this context it will mean
being a bit of a more aggressive player.
679
00:29:27,380 --> 00:29:32,450
Wagering higher, not playing the board's
top down, which is much my chagrin.
680
00:29:32,450 --> 00:29:33,980
I really like to play
the board's top down.
681
00:29:34,040 --> 00:29:34,820
So did Alex.
682
00:29:34,820 --> 00:29:36,410
He loved when the players
played it that way.
00:29:36,590 --> 00:29:36,870
Mm-hmm.
684
00:29:36,950 --> 00:29:38,480
, He would chastise people sometimes.
685
00:29:38,510 --> 00:29:38,630
Yes.
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686
00:29:38,630 --> 00:29:40,730
If they missed clues
because of bouncing around.
687
00:29:40,730 \longrightarrow 00:29:41,000
Absolutely.
688
00:29:41,005 --> 00:29:43,280
He'd be like, If you went at the top,
you'd know what this category was.
00:29:43,850 --> 00:29:44,150
Yeah.
690
00:29:44,180 --> 00:29:46,730
Sometimes you see that category
title and I'm like, I'm gonna have
691
00:29:46,730 --> 00:29:50,570
to start with the $200 clue because
I am not willing to just let a
692
00:29:50,570 --> 00:29:52,310
thousand dollars fly by for no reason.
693
00:29:53,030 --> 00:29:55,640
now, obviously Jeopardy fans in America.
694
00:29:55,685 --> 00:30:00,395
Loving Matea, but your home country
of Canada, they have just embraced
695
00:30:00,395 --> 00:30:02,465
you as like a national ambassador.
696
00:30:02,465 --> 00:30:03,455
What has that been like?
697
00:30:03,635 --> 00:30:07,774
It's been wild because, uh, I don't
think any Canadian comes to Jeopardy
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698
00:30:07,774 --> 00:30:10,175
expecting to be a national ambassador.
699
00:30:10,235 --> 00:30:13,415
Um, I even think probably Alex, when he
first started, like, didn't know that the
700
00:30:13,415 --> 00:30:15,365
show was gonna become as iconic as it was.
701
00:30:15,365 --> 00:30:18,725
So even like the most iconic
Canadian of Jeopardy probably
702
00:30:18,730 --> 00:30:20,075
didn't expect that starting out.
703
00:30:20,465 --> 00:30:22,955
Um, It's a huge honor.
704
00:30:22,985 --> 00:30:24,515
Honestly, it's overwhelming.
705
00:30:24,515 --> 00:30:28,085
I said to a couple of people
preparing to come down here.
706
00:30:28,085 --> 00:30:30,125
I feel a little bit like
I'm going to the Olympics.
707
00:30:30,125 --> 00:30:32,045
Like I think I have to
represent my country in a way
708
00:30:32,045 --> 00:30:33,215
the other contestants don't.
709
00:30:33,605 --> 00:30:37,655
Uh, but it also is nice to know that
there are so many people that I don't
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710
00:30:37,655 --> 00:30:40,685
even know who are rooting for me in
this tournament, just on strength
711
00:30:40,685 --> 00:30:42,245
of sharing a nationality with them.
712
00:30:42,305 \longrightarrow 00:30:47,345
Have you had a chance to get to know any
of the competitors outside of competition?
713
00:30:47,345 \longrightarrow 00:30:51,030
So, So I wasn't able to meet anyone
in person prior to coming to the
714
00:30:51,030 \longrightarrow 00:30:53,340
tournament just because there's
nobody else who lives in my city.
715
00:30:53,340 --> 00:30:54,210
Or actually that's not true.
716
00:30:54,210 --> 00:30:57,330
I was just saying I did see Amy when,
uh, she came to Toronto for Tiff, so
717
00:30:57,330 --> 00:30:58,500
I was able to get coffee with her.
718
00:30:58,500 --> 00:31:01,890
I've exchanged dms on Twitter
with a number of contestants.
719
00:31:01,950 --> 00:31:05,790
Um, so it was nice to see sort of some
faces in real life that I had been talking
720
00:31:05,790 --> 00:31:07,380
to online for the past several months.
721
00:31:07,380 --> 00:31:10,260
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And since we've been down here, you know, we've been going out for meals together. 722 00:31:10,525 --> 00:31:13,015 Chatting a lot of course about the tournament and about our jeopardy 723 00:31:13,015 --> 00:31:17,035 experiences, but also like getting to know about people's kids, people's jobs. 724 00:31:17,065 --> 00:31:18,865 It's been a lot of fun so far. 725 00:31:19,225 --> 00:31:20,935 Well, you are in great company. 726 00:31:20,935 --> 00:31:24,505 We wanna wish you success in the Tournament of Champions and it is so great 727 00:31:24,505 --> 00:31:26,185 to have you back at the Alex Treck stage. 728 00:31:26,245 --> 00:31:27,325 Thank you so much, Sarah. 729 00:31:27,885 --> 00:31:30,975 Next my conversation with 38 game winner Madam Mo. 730 00:31:31,605 --> 00:31:33,375 Madam, you're back. 00:31:33,405 --> 00:31:34,485 How does it feel? 732 00:31:34,905 --> 00:31:35,175 I am.

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00:31:35,175 --> 00:31:37,335

Oh, it feels like home all over again.

734 00:31:37,544 --> 00:31:40,065 You ended season 37 pretty well. 735 00:31:40,065 --> 00:31:43,274 Obviously you started season 38, pretty great, but you could have 736 00:31:43,280 --> 00:31:46,514 never anticipated what would come after you in season 38. 737 00:31:46,695 --> 00:31:50,655 It's been an adventurous season for any Jeopardy fan myself include. 738 00:31:50,995 --> 00:31:54,715 What was it like to keep watching like these super champions, these 739 00:31:54,715 --> 00:31:58,554 fived champions, these 40 champions 740 00:31:58,554 --> 00:32:00,264

as a, as a person who knew they were

coming back, but also just as a fan?

741 00:32:00,354 --> 00:32:05,245 Yeah, I, I know how hard it is to do that firsthand now, and so seeing so many

742 00:32:05,245 --> 00:32:09,084 people do it is just, I'm impressed by them individually, one after another.

743 00:32:09,294 --> 00:32:14,725 And it was a little disappointing to see, uh, my record already be eclipse.

744 00:32:14,725 --> 00:32:17,034 I had so little time to really enjoy it.

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00:32:17,034 --> 00:32:18,155
How you gonna get, you enjoy it.
746
00:32:18,564 --> 00:32:19,705
Ken's had so many years.
747
00:32:20,050 --> 00:32:21,210
You know, is it fair?
748
00:32:21,210 --> 00:32:25,510
That's really, really, What were your
thoughts when you first heard that we were
749
00:32:25,510 --> 00:32:28,180
going to be seating you and Matea and Amy?
750
00:32:28,300 --> 00:32:33,550
I was extremely excited because that's
one less round where I can lose, and so I
751
00:32:33,550 --> 00:32:38,139
always think about this probabilistically
and I just knew that that helped my.
752
00:32:38,375 \longrightarrow 00:32:39,455
Uh, chances.
753
00:32:39,725 --> 00:32:42,004
And what do you think
about the goat style final?
754
00:32:42,485 --> 00:32:43,445
Oh, that's exciting.
00:32:43,445 --> 00:32:48,665
I, uh, I loved watching the goat, uh, just
day after day that excitement was so much,
756
00:32:48,665 --> 00:32:50,254
and now I just want to be part of it.
757
00:32:50,675 --> 00:32:52,415
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How is the pressure for you?
758
00:32:52,415 --> 00:32:54,485
Obviously, you're coming in as a favorite.
759
00:32:54,754 --> 00:32:57,635
Lots of people in the
Jeopardy community team, Emod.
760
00:32:58,055 --> 00:33:02,375
How does it feel to be you, the one with
the pressure in the hot seat to perform
761
00:33:02,375 --> 00:33:03,755
as well as you did in your initial run?
762
00:33:03,875 --> 00:33:07,475
I've been told many times that this
is just gravy you, you've done so
763
00:33:07,475 --> 00:33:09,185
well that just don't worry about it.
764
00:33:09,185 --> 00:33:10,865
And that's easy for
other people to say yes.
765
00:33:10,925 --> 00:33:14,765
But internally, I am putting a lot
of pressure on myself because that's
766
00:33:14,825 --> 00:33:16,685
always what I do day in, day out.
00:33:16,805 --> 00:33:20,885
And so I'm stressed, but it's no
more stress than every day that
768
00:33:20,885 --> 00:33:22,715
I, uh, played in the season.
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00:33:23,195 --> 00:33:26,525
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I can't help but notice that our two second chance competition.

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00:33:27,495 --> 00:33:31,065 Were both people who played against you, but who you defeated.

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00:33:31,125 --> 00:33:34,275 So I think that's one thing the average audience member doesn't appreciate.

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00:33:34,305 --> 00:33:38,745
People who lose their game are
still so good at Jeopardy, and it's

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00:33:38,745 --> 00:33:42,735 awesome to just see them get a second chance and show what they can do.

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00:33:43,004 --> 00:33:47,264

If you come up against Rowan or Jessica,
How, how do you feel about that?

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00:33:47,355 --> 00:33:52,514
I would be a little afraid . I, I, I would say that about everybody, but I know just

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00:33:52,514 --> 00:33:54,735 firsthand how tough those games were.

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00:33:54,794 --> 00:33:57,315 What's been the best part of this whole experience?

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00:33:57,320 --> 00:33:59,895 I mean, the past year's been pretty life changing for you.

779

00:34:00,105 --> 00:34:04,485
It has, uh, I, I've enjoyed some minor celebrity, although, uh, I also like.

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00:34:04,520 --> 00:34:06,760

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The minor part of it
that I'm able to Right.
781
00:34:06,760 \longrightarrow 00:34:07,700
It's hard to out exactly.
782
00:34:07,700 --> 00:34:10,909
I'm able to walk through public
spaces, order a, a meal at a
783
00:34:10,909 --> 00:34:12,500
restaurant and usually get by.
784
00:34:12,500 --> 00:34:12,920
Okay.
785
00:34:13,130 --> 00:34:17,840
But it's just been, uh, really wonderful
hearing from old friends, old family that
786
00:34:17,840 --> 00:34:19,580
I haven't talked to in a really long time.
00:34:19,585 --> 00:34:20,810
It's been good connecting.
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00:34:20,870 --> 00:34:22,310
It's been good for Ohio as well, right?
789
00:34:22,310 --> 00:34:23,270
Absolutely.
00:34:23,270 --> 00:34:23,540
Yeah.
791
00:34:23,540 --> 00:34:27,380
No, I've been proud to represent my home
state and then also my, uh, adopted.
792
00:34:28,130 \longrightarrow 00:34:30,259
And so, uh, Yale's been great.
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00:34:30,259 --> 00:34:33,690
New Haven has been great, and I, I've
just had people come and say they're
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00:34:33,690 --> 00:34:37,730
big fans and I've, I, they're strangers
to me, but they feel like they know
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00:34:37,730 --> 00:34:39,679
me and it's comfort at first sight.
796
00:34:39,860 --> 00:34:41,449
Well, we're happy to welcome you back.
797
00:34:41,455 --> 00:34:44,270
It feels like I haven't seen you
in forever based on all the other
798
00:34:44,270 --> 00:34:47,030
qualifiers, but it's nice to have you
back here in the Alex Beck Stadium.
799
00:34:47,120 --> 00:34:48,139
It's good to be back.
800
00:34:48,139 --> 00:34:48,889
Absolutely.
801
00:34:48,949 --> 00:34:50,060
Good luck at the competition.
802
00:34:50,120 \longrightarrow 00:34:50,690
Thank you.
803
00:34:51,360 --> 00:34:54,330
And lastly, I caught up
with 40 game Champion.
804
00:34:54,449 \longrightarrow 00:34:55,320
Amy Schneider.
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00:34:55,590 --> 00:34:58,380 Amy Schneider, Welcome back to the Alex Eck stage.

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00:34:58,410 --> 00:34:58,980 Thank you.

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00:34:59,310 --> 00:35:01,590
A lot has happened since I saw you last.

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00:35:01,620 --> 00:35:02,550 Yeah, I would say so.

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00:35:02,550 --> 00:35:06,420 Could you even have imagined in that moment, How your life would change and

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00:35:06,420 --> 00:35:07,920 the impact you would have on people?

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00:35:08,009 --> 00:35:08,759 Not at all.

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00:35:08,790 --> 00:35:11,790
You know, I mean, I, I realized that it was gonna be, you know, something

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00:35:11,790 --> 00:35:14,850 that if this, there was gonna be some notice of, of what I had done.

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00:35:14,850 --> 00:35:20,070
But it's just been overwhelming how big the reaction has been, how sustained

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00:35:20,075 --> 00:35:22,020 it is, how much I still get recognized.

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00:35:22,380 --> 00:35:25,680
And most importantly, like you said, the, the impact that it had.

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00:35:25,740 --> 00:35:29,610
You know, I knew that I was going
up as to an extent a representative
818
00:35:29,610 --> 00:35:31,259
of my community and you know, that.
819
00:35:31,555 --> 00:35:36,294
Was just part of what I was doing, and
to know that I've done so much good
820
00:35:36,294 --> 00:35:39,024
for them and that I, I represented
them so well is something that
821
00:35:39,024 --> 00:35:40,435
I'll just, just always be proud of.
822
00:35:40,524 --> 00:35:44,904
As a 40 game champ, obviously
you are thought of as the biggest
00:35:44,910 --> 00:35:48,984
threat, the biggest challenge is that
hard to come into this competition
824
00:35:48,984 --> 00:35:50,455
knowing there's so much pressure to.
825
00:35:50,759 --> 00:35:54,300
To perform at that level that you always
have on this stage So far, I mean, yeah,
826
00:35:54,300 --> 00:35:58,050
it, it is, it is sort of a weird feeling,
you know, I didn't, I came in with nothing
827
00:35:58,050 --> 00:36:00,990
to lose the first time and now there
is that sort of feeling that like, oh
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00:36:00,990 --> 00:36:05,070
no, like if I don't do well, like, will
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that change what people think of me?
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00:36:05,075 --> 00:36:08,250
But I've been, I think I'm done a
pretty good job of like getting that
830
00:36:08,250 --> 00:36:12,330
out of my head and you know, just being
like, Hey, this is all just a bonus.
831
00:36:12,330 --> 00:36:14,070
It'll be fine however it goes.
832
00:36:14,100 --> 00:36:15,520
Also, playing with an audience.
833
00:36:15,525 --> 00:36:17,040
Amy, you've never played with an audience.
834
00:36:17,045 --> 00:36:18,450
Genevieve will be here.
835
00:36:18,480 --> 00:36:18,540
Yeah.
836
00:36:18,540 --> 00:36:19,590
What's it gonna be like to have.
837
00:36:20,385 --> 00:36:21,585
In the studio for you?
838
00:36:21,795 --> 00:36:22,635
You know, I don't know.
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00:36:22,635 --> 00:36:26,445
There was, I actually kind of like
had a debate in my mind over whether I
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00:36:26,445 --> 00:36:28,335
even even wanted Genevieve to be here.
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00:36:28,335 --> 00:36:30,825 Just cuz it's like, you know, I want to, that would be a new 00:36:30,825 --> 00:36:32,415 variable to have to think about. 843 00:36:32,865 --> 00:36:35,865 Uh, but you know, I just decided that like, when I'm on stage, I'm 844 00:36:35,865 --> 00:36:37,215 trying not to think about anything. 845

00:36:37,220 --> 00:36:40,845 So I'll just try not to think about the fact, uh, that she's there, you know?

846 00:36:40,850 --> 00:36:41,715 And that'll be that.

847 00:36:41,715 --> 00:36:46,380 And then, After I win, it'll be great that she'll be right there and I won't

848 00:36:46,380 --> 00:36:49,320 just have to like, call her and like drive to an airport before I get to

849 00:36:49,320 --> 00:36:52,800 see her and everything so that, however it goes, it'll be great to have her

00:36:52,800 --> 00:36:54,509 right here and not, not back at home.

851 00:36:54,900 --> 00:36:56,370 Now, do you have a new theme song?

852 00:36:56,370 --> 00:36:57,720 Are we sticking with m and m?

00:36:57,810 --> 00:36:59,100 We're sticking with m and m. 854 00:36:59,160 --> 00:37:00,600 It's uh, it worked great. 855 00:37:00,605 --> 00:37:02,371 It's uh, it's a classic, I'm sticking with it. 856 00:37:02,740 --> 00:37:03,670 It worked for a four. 857 00:37:03,970 --> 00:37:07,180 What were your reactions when you first heard about the new format? 858 00:37:07,210 --> 00:37:08,200 No Wild Card. 859 00:37:08,440 --> 00:37:12,400 You being seated in the semi-finals and then the first to win three games? 860  $00:37:12,790 \longrightarrow 00:37:15,640$ I assumed that the format would be different just cuz it seemed 861 00:37:15,640 --> 00:37:18,310 like, you know, there were too many people to fit into the old format. 862  $00:37:18,310 \longrightarrow 00:37:21,040$ So, you know, the fact that it was different wasn't a surprise.

863 00:37:21,520 --> 00:37:25,510 I think it took me a second to get with the idea of the, the sort

864 00:37:25,510 --> 00:37:27,190 of race to three for the final.

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865
00:37:27,550 --> 00:37:30,610
But I, I like it because it means
that each game you're playing.
866
00:37:30,835 --> 00:37:34,615
The same way you'd play any other
game and it's not some sort of new,
867
00:37:34,615 --> 00:37:37,555
slightly different strategy you have
to adopt for the final or everything.
868
00:37:37,555 --> 00:37:39,925
You can just keep playing
like you always have.
869
00:37:40,225 --> 00:37:41,875
So yeah, that part of it I like.
870
00:37:41,880 --> 00:37:44,485
And uh, yeah, I like getting
the bite to the semifinals.
871
00:37:44,485 --> 00:37:45,775
I'm not complaining about that either.
872
00:37:45,835 --> 00:37:47,335
What's been the best part, Amy?
873
00:37:47,395 --> 00:37:50,035
Could you sum up like the
best part of this journey?
874
00:37:50,425 --> 00:37:52,255
I mean, I think it is hearing from.
875
00:37:52,995 --> 00:37:55,395
Trans people and the, and
the families of trans people.
876
00:37:55,400 \longrightarrow 00:37:59,655
And the, a story that I've heard so
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many times, some variation of, you
877
00:37:59,655 --> 00:38:03,795
know, seeing you was the first time
that my, my father, my grandfather,
878
00:38:03,795 --> 00:38:06,915
really started using the correct
pronouns or really seemed to understand.
879
00:38:06,975 --> 00:38:09,285
I didn't think it was possible that.
880
00:38:09,700 --> 00:38:12,970
Just seeing someone on TV could,
could change minds that way.
881
00:38:12,970 --> 00:38:18,280
And it really seems to have done so and
so that's just, you know, a very like
882
00:38:19,000 --> 00:38:23,620
specific direct good that I have done to
people that is, is just really satisfying.
883
00:38:24,009 --> 00:38:26,350
Um, so yeah, that's probably the main one.
884
00:38:26,440 --> 00:38:29,980
Uh, but like getting to like fly
all around and do all sorts of
885
00:38:29,980 --> 00:38:31,270
cool things has been great too.
886
00:38:31,270 --> 00:38:32,020
Like, Yeah.
887
00:38:32,080 --> 00:38:32,380
Yeah.
888
00:38:32,380 --> 00:38:34,810
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Throwing out first pitches,
even at the White House, you
889
00:38:34,810 --> 00:38:35,920
know, it's been a good summer.
890
00:38:36,070 --> 00:38:36,850
. It has been.
891
00:38:36,850 --> 00:38:37,360
I would.
892
00:38:37,800 --> 00:38:39,840
Well, it couldn't happen
to a greater person.
893
00:38:39,840 --> 00:38:43,170
We're so happy to welcome you back
and thank you for all you've done
894
00:38:43,170 --> 00:38:46,170
for Jeopardy, for our community
and for the world out there.
895
00:38:46,170 --> 00:38:47,970
It's really great to have one of the best.
896
00:38:48,450 --> 00:38:51,240
Oh, thanks for the, thanks for the
opportunity and, and thanks for the money.
897
00:38:51,240 --> 00:38:51,900
That's been really nice.
00:38:51,905 --> 00:38:51,980
Yeah.
00:38:51,980 --> 00:38:52,101
Oh yeah.
900
00:38:52,106 --> 00:38:52,440
That's good too.
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901
00:38:54,390 --> 00:38:58,200
. Oh man, Those, those super champs,
All of our contestants are amazing,
902
00:38:58,200 --> 00:39:01,380
but those super champs, those super,
super champs, The super, super.
903
00:39:01,380 --> 00:39:02,280
No, we need more Amy.
904
00:39:02,280 --> 00:39:03,480
Matt Magic and Matea.
905
00:39:03,720 --> 00:39:06,510
They are, honestly, they are movie stars.
906
00:39:06,510 --> 00:39:06,780
They.
907
00:39:07,455 --> 00:39:09,105
They, they are so eloquent.
908
00:39:09,105 --> 00:39:10,305
I love the way they speak.
909
00:39:10,305 --> 00:39:11,925
I love the way they hold themselves.
910
00:39:12,225 --> 00:39:16,575
They are just wonderful, wonderful,
wonderful representatives and
911
00:39:16,575 --> 00:39:18,705
ambassadors, uh, for the Jeopardy brand.
912
00:39:19,065 --> 00:39:21,645
It's interesting that every
time it happens, look, we
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00:39:21,645 --> 00:39:23,655 have Ken Jennings, 74 wins. 914 00:39:24,015 --> 00:39:27,465 We can't pick these people, and yet we've ended up with these great ambassadors 915 00:39:27,495 --> 00:39:29,685 and, uh, the gifts keep giving. 916 00:39:29,775 --> 00:39:30,735 We'll see what happens. 917 00:39:30,765 --> 00:39:32,685 Yeah, the game show Gods are. 918  $00:39:33,210 \longrightarrow 00:39:37,110$ With this program, , thank you again for sharing these interviews with us, Sarah. 919 00:39:37,259 --> 00:39:41,910 I really love them and I love hearing how each contestant is excited, nervous, 920  $00:39:42,380 \longrightarrow 00:39:45,750$ prepared, not prepared, what they're bringing into this, and it really helps 921 00:39:45,750 --> 00:39:50,160 us as viewers have a more full sense of what's going on behind the podium. 922 00:39:50,910 --> 00:39:53,250 And now a quick word from our sponsor. 923 00:39:53,850 --> 00:39:56,190 This show is sponsored by Better Help.

924 00:39:56,835 --> 00:40:00,525 There have been many times in my life where I have faced a challenge and I

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00:40:00,525 --> 00:40:06,165
found myself focusing so much on the
problem that I could not see a solution.
00:40:06,315 --> 00:40:11,025
Sometimes it was in my personal life
relationships, a lot of times with career.
927
00:40:11,385 --> 00:40:14,085
Kids, family, all kinds of stuff.
928
00:40:14,385 --> 00:40:19,665
And I look back on it and I think if
I had had just a different mindset,
929
00:40:19,815 --> 00:40:21,525
I would've figured things out faster.
930
00:40:21,645 --> 00:40:26,565
A therapist can be a really great
resource in those situations.
931
00:40:26,655 --> 00:40:29,925
I have personally benefited
so much from therapy.
932
00:40:29,955 --> 00:40:32,895
It's helped me with stress,
anxiety, depression.
933
00:40:32,955 --> 00:40:34,815
If you're thinking of giving therapy a.
00:40:35,580 --> 00:40:37,470
Better Help is a great option.
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00:40:37,470 \longrightarrow 00:40:41,370
It's convenient, accessible,
affordable, and entirely online.
936
00:40:41,430 \longrightarrow 00:40:45,570
When you want to be a better problem
solver Therapy can get you there.
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937
00:40:45,870 --> 00:40:51,779
Visit better help.com/inside J today
to get 10% off your first month.
938
00:40:51,840 --> 00:40:52,680
That's better.
939
00:40:52,770 --> 00:40:56,190
H e l p.com/inside J.
940
00:40:56,520 --> 00:40:57,720
Now back to inside.
941
00:41:00,120 --> 00:41:03,180
Now it's time to answer viewer questions.
942
00:41:03,690 --> 00:41:09,480
Rob Warman, who was a TOC 2019 quarter
finalist asks, First off, let me
943
00:41:09,480 --> 00:41:12,960
just add to the courts of voices
who are saying, I love your podcast.
944
00:41:13,170 --> 00:41:15,150
I'm obviously a huge fan of the show.
945
00:41:15,150 --> 00:41:18,480
Thank you, , and I'm thrilled
to get so much insider
00:41:18,480 --> 00:41:19,770
perspective from week to week.
947
00:41:20,130 --> 00:41:23,520
Even as someone who's had the good fortune
to be a contestant, I'm still learning
948
00:41:23,520 --> 00:41:25,620
cool new tidbits from every episode.
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949
00:41:25,860 --> 00:41:29,625
As for my question, In regular
play, a hard clue comes up
950
00:41:29,625 --> 00:41:30,944
and no one attempts to answer.
951
00:41:31,004 --> 00:41:34,455
After several seconds of silence,
the distinctive triple beep will
952
00:41:34,455 --> 00:41:36,105
sound and the host moves on.
00:41:36,375 --> 00:41:39,915
What or who decides when
the beep beep occurs?
954
00:41:40,185 --> 00:41:42,495
Well, this answer has
changed over the years.
955
00:41:42,495 --> 00:41:44,295
Robert used to be Alex Beck.
956
00:41:44,295 --> 00:41:46,305
He had a button right there on his lecter.
957
00:41:46,515 --> 00:41:50,145
He would kind of judge when enough time
had passed that none of these three
00:41:50,145 --> 00:41:54,345
contestants was going to ring in, and
he would enable that sound effect.
959
00:41:54,765 --> 00:41:58,365
When we went through our guest hosts
and over that time period, we decided
960
00:41:58,365 --> 00:42:02,714
maybe we'd take it away from the host
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lectern and put it into our control room. 961 00:42:02,924 --> 00:42:07,545 So now it is our associate director, Chloe Corwin, who does enable that. 962 00:42:07,575 --> 00:42:11,295 After a few seconds, we should say that a lot of the job of an associate director 963 00:42:11,299 --> 00:42:13,185 in television is counting backwards, 964 00:42:13,365 --> 00:42:16,675 Um, and so, And she is phenomenal at counting back. 965 00:42:16,675 --> 00:42:18,595 She counts backwards to get into the show. 966 00:42:18,715 --> 00:42:19,885 She counts backwards here. 967 00:42:19,885 --> 00:42:22,315 She counts backwards through tape inside the daily doubles. 968 00:42:22,435 --> 00:42:24,145 She does so much backwards counting. 969 00:42:24,150 --> 00:42:27,205 I'm not sure that she even remembers how to count forwards at this point. 970 00:42:27,325 --> 00:42:31,195 I'll, I'll add a little bit of my experience with this BP beep, which was 971 00:42:31,200 --> 00:42:35,095 that during all stars we were really asking, I was on a team with Alex Jacob,

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00:42:35,100 --> 00:42:38,965
who likes to kind of slow the game
down, especially on a daily double, and
00:42:38,965 --> 00:42:41,845
he really wanted to know how much time
do we have to answer the daily double.
974
00:42:41,845 --> 00:42:42,355
Really pushing.
975
00:42:42,355 --> 00:42:42,865
Really pushing.
976
00:42:42,955 --> 00:42:43,675
And then rocky.
977
00:42:44,430 --> 00:42:47,400
Well, I assume you all know
it's, it's Alex that enables it.
978
00:42:47,400 \longrightarrow 00:42:50,550
And literally, you know, there
were 18 of us or something and we
979
00:42:50,830 --> 00:42:52,920
were all like, nobody knew that.
980
00:42:52,950 --> 00:42:57,230
We all thought that it was a producer
or a timer, and suddenly it was like 18
981
00:42:57,235 --> 00:43:01,920
people who had been watching this show
for however many years were like, Oh my.
982
00:43:02,415 --> 00:43:03,945
God, omg.
983
00:43:04,065 --> 00:43:06,315
O mg mine blown.
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00:43:06,375 --> 00:43:09,105
One of the things that I was excited
about doing when I guest hosted,
985
00:43:09,105 --> 00:43:10,155
but they took it away from me.
986
00:43:10,515 --> 00:43:10,725
Yep.
987
00:43:11,355 --> 00:43:11,655
Good.
988
00:43:11,805 --> 00:43:13,785
That happened before my time,
but I'm glad it happened.
989
00:43:13,785 --> 00:43:14,175
Anyway.
990
00:43:14,505 --> 00:43:15,975
Okay, uh, next question.
00:43:15,980 --> 00:43:18,165
John asks, I love this podcast too.
992
00:43:18,170 --> 00:43:18,375
Wow.
993
00:43:18,375 --> 00:43:20,805
We are really, we are really
patting ourselves on the back.
994
00:43:20,805 --> 00:43:22,525
I know we don't like these, I promise.
995
00:43:22,525 --> 00:43:23,925
I ask question and I look forward.
996
00:43:24,020 --> 00:43:25,070
To its weekly drop.
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997
00:43:25,070 --> 00:43:27,500
As much as I look forward to
the daily shows on television.
998
00:43:27,710 --> 00:43:31,460
My question is about the other
questions, air quotes, those asked by
999
00:43:31,460 --> 00:43:33,830
Ken and Mayim during the contestant
interview portion of the show.
1000
00:43:33,835 --> 00:43:36,890
I'm assuming that contestants
fill out some kind of fact sheet
1001
00:43:36,890 --> 00:43:37,940
before entering the studio.
1002
00:43:38,120 --> 00:43:40,850
Do the host decide which questions
to ask during the interview, or
1003
00:43:40,850 --> 00:43:44,450
do the contestants indicate which
stories they would like to share, or
1004
00:43:44,450 --> 00:43:47,810
possibly the producers decide which
questions make the contestants more
1005
00:43:47,810 --> 00:43:49,520
relatable to the television audience.
00:43:50,580 --> 00:43:52,529
I hope this portion of
the show never disappears.
1007
00:43:52,710 --> 00:43:54,210
It is wonderful.
1008
00:43:54,420 --> 00:43:58,080
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Well, John, once our contestants are booked, our contestant team reaches 1009 00:43:58,080 --> 00:44:01,529 out to them and they send them what they call an interview sheet. 1010 00:44:01,890 --> 00:44:05,460 It has four to five pages of questions that might bring up 1011  $00:44:05,460 \longrightarrow 00:44:09,150$ interesting stories or facts, and they also ask all of our contestants 1012 00:44:09,150 --> 00:44:11,220 to provide five interesting facts. 1013 00:44:11,610 --> 00:44:16,710 Then from there, our contestant team narrows it down to their four or five 1014 00:44:17,190 --> 00:44:19,680 favorites, and those are presented to our. 1015 00:44:20,255 --> 00:44:22,865 And then it's kind of a discussion usually right before the interview 1016 00:44:23,165 --> 00:44:26,315 where the host may look at one of the five facts and think I have something 1017 00:44:26,315 --> 00:44:28,175 more relatable to talk about with that. 1018 00:44:28,175 --> 00:44:32,105 Or maybe they wanna change the the favorite story, but usually it's all 1019

00:44:32,110 --> 00:44:35,945

generated by our contestant team and sharing the best possible stories.

1020  $00:44:36,035 \longrightarrow 00:44:39,575$ One of the interesting things, I did not make it to super champion level 1021 00:44:39,575 --> 00:44:43,775 or anything, but as you're changing, you have a very short time to change 1022 00:44:43,775 --> 00:44:46,355 into a new outfit for the new show and. 1023 00:44:47,025 --> 00:44:50,925 When you run out of your first three or five facts, someone's yelling 1024 00:44:50,925 --> 00:44:52,185 at you while you're changing. 1025 00:44:52,395 --> 00:44:53,355 What else you got? 1026 00:44:53,385 --> 00:44:56,115 You got another story for me and you're trying to think of something. 1027  $00:44:56,715 \longrightarrow 00:44:59,415$ Not just interesting to you, but will be interesting to someone else, which 1028 00:44:59,415 --> 00:45:02,535 is hard enough while perfectly matching your pocket squared to your, well, 1029 00:45:02,535 --> 00:45:05,745 perfectly matching your, your tie and, you know, discovering that you 1030 00:45:06,185 --> 00:45:10,515 accidentally put your, uh, boxers on inside out or something and sort of like

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00:45:10,515 --> 00:45:12,555
decompressing from the previous show.
1032
00:45:12,645 --> 00:45:13,725
Yeah, absolutely.
1033
00:45:13,845 --> 00:45:14,835
Okay, those were great.
1034
00:45:15,075 --> 00:45:15,825
We can relate buzzy.
1035
00:45:15,915 --> 00:45:20,115
Great questions, uh, from Robin John,
thank you sincerely for the compliments.
1036
00:45:20,175 --> 00:45:21,195
Uh, we do appreciate this.
1037
00:45:21,195 --> 00:45:24,675
Our little team in our little
room, making little inside jeopardy
1038
00:45:24,705 --> 00:45:26,115
and, uh, getting some credit.
1039
00:45:26,115 --> 00:45:28,305
We really, uh, enjoy that
you're enjoying this.
1040
00:45:28,425 --> 00:45:31,365
As always, keep sending your
questions and comments to Inside
00:45:31,365 --> 00:45:33,825
Jeopardy podcast@gmail.com.
1042
00:45:33,884 --> 00:45:37,065
And believe it or not, that is it for
today's episode of Inside Jeopardy.
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00:45:37,065 --> 00:45:37,515
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Well, four and a half.
1044
00:45:37,990 --> 00:45:38,680
Script later.
1045
00:45:38,680 --> 00:45:38,740
Yeah.
1046
00:45:38,740 --> 00:45:39,310
Woohoo.
1047
00:45:39,310 --> 00:45:43,419
Join us here next Monday as we discuss
the first five quarter final games
1048
00:45:43,419 --> 00:45:45,129
in the Tournament of Champions.
1049
00:45:45,129 --> 00:45:48,069
And as a reminder, you can head
to jeopardy.com to view all the
1050
00:45:48,075 --> 00:45:49,899
matchups and the tournament structure.
1051
00:45:49,959 --> 00:45:50,319
Yes.
1052
00:45:50,319 --> 00:45:53,439
The Tournament of Champions, the
toc, the road to the TOC is over.
1053
00:45:53,560 --> 00:45:55,990
We've actually, the road
is, we've run outta road.
1054
00:45:56,140 --> 00:45:57,939
We're just actually out of TOC now.
00:45:58,089 --> 00:45:58,359
It is.
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1056
00:45:59,025 --> 00:46:02,055
There is gonna be so much to talk about
with this field of competitors, the
1057
00:46:02,055 --> 00:46:04,815
debut of the brand new tournament format.
1058
00:46:04,995 --> 00:46:06,645
So make sure you subscribe to the podcast.
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00:46:06,645 --> 00:46:09,645
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across social, follow us at jeopardy
1060
00:46:09,825 --> 00:46:12,165
on Twitter, on Instagram, on Facebook.
1061
00:46:12,660 --> 00:46:16,109
And on YouTube, and we
will see y'all next week.
00:46:16,259 --> 00:46:17,370
Happy Halloween.
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00:46:17,370 --> 00:46:18,060
Happy Halloween.
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