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## **JAMES HOLZHAUER WINS THE 2019 'JEOPARDY!' TOURNAMENT OF CHAMPIONS**

**\$250,000 Grand Prize Brings Las Vegas Sports Bettor's  
All-Time Winnings to \$2,712,216**

CULVER CITY, CALIF. (November 15, 2019) – “**JEOPARDY!** James” Holzhauer lived up to his nickname today when he defeated Emma Boettcher and Francois Barcomb to win the prestigious Tournament of Champions and claim its \$250,000 grand prize. Boettcher came in second, earning \$100,000, while Barcomb took third, netting \$50,000.

The Tournament of Champions finals was the second time Holzhauer and Boettcher faced off on the **JEOPARDY!** stage; their first meeting was in June 2019, when Boettcher beat Holzhauer and ended his 32-game winning streak.

“I’ve said all along that Emma is an all-time great player, and I’m proud it took that level of competitor to defeat me,” Holzhauer said. “Now the world sees that I wasn’t just making excuses. Francois certainly looked as dominant as either of us in his first two games, so I knew the finals would be a fight to the finish. But the whole point of the TOC is to play the best of the best, and Emma and Francois certainly proved that they belonged in the final three.”

With the addition of his Tournament of Champions prize money, Holzhauer’s regular season and tournament winnings now total \$2,712,216, a figure that puts him behind only two other players in **JEOPARDY!** history: Brad Rutter, whose \$4,688,436 make him the highest-winning game show contestant of all time, and Ken Jennings, whose all-time earnings total \$3,370,700.

The **JEOPARDY!** Tournament of Champions was presented by Consumer Cellular. To learn more about the tournament, please visit [Jeopardy.com](http://Jeopardy.com).

**JEOPARDY!**, America’s Favorite Quiz Show™, and its host Alex Trebek are in their 36<sup>th</sup> season in syndication. With a weekly audience of 23 million viewers, **JEOPARDY!** is the top-rated quiz show on television, and has received numerous awards and honors, including the 2019 Emmy for Outstanding Game Show Host. The show holds the Guinness World Records® title for the most Emmy® Awards won by a TV game show (35 Emmys); it is also the recipient of a 2011 Peabody Award. **JEOPARDY!** is produced by Sony Pictures Television, a Sony Pictures Entertainment Company; it is distributed domestically by CBS Television Distribution and internationally by CBS Television International, both units of CBS Corp. For more information, please visit [Jeopardy.com](http://Jeopardy.com).

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