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00:00:00,320 --> 00:00:07,760
From the Alex Trebek Stage at Sony
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00:00:09,190 --> 00:00:12,250
Hello and welcome back to Inside
Jeopardy!, your exclusive and official

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00:00:12,260 --> 00:00:16,149
podcast destination for all things
happening in the world of Jeopardy!.

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00:00:16,400 --> 00:00:21,189
I'm Sarah Foss, and I'm joined today by
Buzzy Cohen on this Christmas holiday.

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00:00:21,209 --> 00:00:22,789
Merry Christmas, Sarah.

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00:00:22,799 --> 00:00:23,630
Well, thank you.

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00:00:23,659 --> 00:00:28,014
I Have to say it's a sad day because
this means I have to stop playing

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00:00:28,075 --> 00:00:31,355
the holiday carols which have
been going on since Thanksgiving.

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00:00:31,365 --> 00:00:33,524
I start them early and I go
all the way through Christmas,

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00:00:33,524 --> 00:00:35,705
but after today, it's over.

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00:00:35,705 --> 00:00:36,165
It's over.

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00:00:36,174 --> 00:00:36,344
They're

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00:00:36,344 --> 00:00:36,564
done.

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00:00:36,594 --> 00:00:40,014
You know, speaking of Christmas, the 12
days of Christmas, you know, it gets a lot

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00:00:40,014 --> 00:00:42,495
of flack for being a lot of birds, right?

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00:00:42,544 --> 00:00:43,235
A lot of birds.

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00:00:43,245 --> 00:00:43,485
Yeah.

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00:00:43,505 --> 00:00:46,885
But the exceptions, of course,
five gold rings, maids a milking,

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00:00:46,885 --> 00:00:48,435
lords a leaping, drummers drumming.

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00:00:48,705 --> 00:00:52,744
There is a theory out there on
the internet that those items.

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00:00:53,315 --> 00:00:54,705
are just other birds.

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00:00:54,745 --> 00:00:57,155
The five gold rings are
ring necked pheasants.

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00:00:57,435 --> 00:01:01,385
Uh, I believe the maids of Milken
might be magpies because they

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00:01:01,385 --> 00:01:02,915
hang out around cows a lot.

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00:01:03,205 --> 00:01:04,315
So it's all birds.

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00:01:04,554 --> 00:01:05,614
It's not a lot of birds.

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00:01:05,614 --> 00:01:05,804
It's

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00:01:05,804 --> 00:01:06,665
only birds.

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00:01:07,264 --> 00:01:08,775
Well, I have this book at home.

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00:01:08,775 --> 00:01:11,155
I'm gonna have to go home
and take a closer look.

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00:01:11,434 --> 00:01:11,654
Well, I

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00:01:11,654 --> 00:01:14,485
think the original meaning might have
been lost, but how do you celebrate?

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00:01:14,485 --> 00:01:17,395
I want to hear, I know, we
know about the 16 crates.

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00:01:17,735 --> 00:01:19,845
You know, we're pre recording this.

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00:01:20,300 --> 00:01:20,610
We are.

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00:01:20,620 --> 00:01:21,750
Let's, let's just admit that.

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00:01:21,750 --> 00:01:22,060
Yeah.

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00:01:22,120 --> 00:01:22,530
I'm not

39
00:01:22,530 --> 00:01:23,717
at Sarah's house on Christmas day.

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00:01:23,717 --> 00:01:23,935
If you

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00:01:23,935 --> 00:01:28,070
guys think I'm spending my Christmas
with all of you and Buzzy, Never.

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00:01:28,140 --> 00:01:29,480
You are sort of mistaken.

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00:01:29,480 --> 00:01:30,129
Couldn't be, couldn't be true.

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00:01:30,140 --> 00:01:31,910
It would be quite a festivity.

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00:01:31,980 --> 00:01:32,350
That's true.

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00:01:32,380 --> 00:01:34,800
But it's not happening because
we're with our families.

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00:01:34,860 --> 00:01:35,119
What's

48
00:01:35,119 --> 00:01:37,240
a Christmas morning?

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00:01:37,320 --> 00:01:38,219
Walk me through it.

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00:01:38,510 --> 00:01:39,120
Well,

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00:01:39,150 --> 00:01:42,420
my older daughter is the early
riser, my younger daughter not so

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00:01:42,420 --> 00:01:44,020
much, so it's like a compromise.

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00:01:44,050 --> 00:01:45,470
Like, my older one is like, can I get up?

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00:01:45,480 --> 00:01:45,980
Can I get up?

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00:01:46,120 --> 00:01:46,550
No, you can't.

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00:01:46,550 --> 00:01:47,010
No, you can't.

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00:01:47,029 --> 00:01:48,629
You know, and then I got
to get my husband up.

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00:01:48,630 --> 00:01:53,739
So at some point we coordinate,
everyone is able to come out and see.

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00:01:53,955 --> 00:02:00,135
What Santa has brought and so
we do Santa Santa at our house.

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00:02:00,155 --> 00:02:04,555
He doesn't wrap the gifts So Santa's
gifts are out and in the open and then

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00:02:04,765 --> 00:02:09,014
the wrapped gifts are from my husband
and I are from my parents We're at my

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00:02:09,015 --> 00:02:11,574
parents house normally in Palm Springs.

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00:02:11,575 --> 00:02:19,590

So It's a fun morning of opening presents and having a little chocolate,

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00:02:19,600 --> 00:02:21,919

a little latte for me, eggnog latte.

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00:02:22,710 --> 00:02:25,870

And then we cook a big Christmas Day meal,

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00:02:25,900 --> 00:02:26,360

so.

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00:02:26,389 --> 00:02:26,559

What does

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00:02:26,559 --> 00:02:27,020

that look like?

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00:02:27,240 --> 00:02:30,080

I mean, I have no, I have very little experience.

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00:02:30,089 --> 00:02:30,489

It looks very

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00:02:30,579 --> 00:02:32,880

similar to your Thanksgiving meal.

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00:02:32,930 --> 00:02:33,400

Okay.

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00:02:33,840 --> 00:02:34,920

But it's Christmas.

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00:02:35,040 --> 00:02:36,130

That sounds amazing.

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00:02:36,425 --> 00:02:36,575

I'm

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00:02:36,575 --> 00:02:37,045

jealous.

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00:02:37,105 --> 00:02:43,805

It's a nice holiday and um, just really with my kids who are now 10 and 6 just

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00:02:43,815 --> 00:02:49,254

really appreciating every year of these family memories because they go by too

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00:02:49,785 --> 00:02:54,435

Quickly, but for our first group of second chance contestants who are of course from

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00:02:54,435 --> 00:03:00,835

last season Monday of Christmas meant day two of the final so we're gonna find

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00:03:00,835 --> 00:03:06,345

out tonight Just who clinched the first spot in champions wildcard from second

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00:03:06,345 --> 00:03:12,285

chance season 39 And of course last week we officially wrapped up our champions

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00:03:12,295 --> 00:03:17,255

wildcard competition for those season 37 and season 38 players the winners

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00:03:17,425 --> 00:03:21,565

who are headed to the Tournament of Champions being Josh Sack from the Spades

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00:03:21,565 --> 00:03:27,005

group, Emily Sands of the Diamonds, Nick Cascone of the Clubs, and Yangshin

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00:03:27,005 --> 00:03:29,304

Wang, All Hearts, from the Hearts group.

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00:03:29,414 --> 00:03:32,135
We are going to actually speak
with Yangshin a little later in

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00:03:32,135 --> 00:03:35,804
the pod about his victory and
how he is preparing for the TOC.

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00:03:36,305 --> 00:03:38,995
And we're going to highlight
that final, that Game 2 Final.

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00:03:38,995 --> 00:03:42,805
Plus, we're going to talk about the
first four games of Second Chance.

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00:03:42,815 --> 00:03:44,444
So, it's a big show.

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00:03:44,494 --> 00:03:44,574
Yeah.

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00:03:44,935 --> 00:03:48,555
But first, as always, it's time
to take a look back, Buzzy, at

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00:03:48,555 --> 00:03:50,455
this week in Jeopardy history.

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00:03:55,885 --> 00:03:56,585
Let's meet

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00:03:56,715 --> 00:03:57,655
today's contestants.

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00:03:58,185 --> 00:04:01,694
This young woman is very sure about
what she'll do with her earnings.

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00:04:02,230 --> 00:04:02,820
Now all

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00:04:02,820 --> 00:04:04,130
she has to do is earn it.

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00:04:04,430 --> 00:04:07,810
From Hartsdale, New York,
welcome Sandy Thomas.

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00:04:08,530 --> 00:04:12,350
With his love of math and his
interest in design, he figures

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00:04:12,350 --> 00:04:13,780
he wants to be an architect.

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00:04:14,290 --> 00:04:14,860
From St.

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00:04:14,860 --> 00:04:17,690
Albans, West Virginia, meet Billie King.

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00:04:18,370 --> 00:04:22,579
And academic team, math team,
student council, we're just

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00:04:22,589 --> 00:04:24,190
glad she could make time for us.

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00:04:24,419 --> 00:04:27,090
From Owensboro, Kentucky, here's Elizabeth

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00:04:29,095 --> 00:04:36,254
And now, here is the host
of Jeopardy!, Alex Trebek!

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00:04:36,715 --> 00:04:37,095
Johnny.

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00:04:37,235 --> 00:04:38,374
Hello, ladies and gentlemen.

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00:04:38,374 --> 00:04:39,455

Welcome to our program.

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00:04:40,055 --> 00:04:41,605

Merry Christmas to all of you.

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00:04:42,045 --> 00:04:45,414

I hope today turns out to be a very special day for you and yours.

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00:04:46,234 --> 00:04:51,724

It was on this day back in 2000 when we kicked off Holiday Kids Week, a week

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00:04:51,724 --> 00:04:55,844

long special where each day three new kids would take the stage to compete.

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00:04:56,245 --> 00:05:00,705

Monday's contestants were 12 year olds Elizabeth Rogers, Sandra

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00:05:00,705 --> 00:05:02,834

Thomas, and 13 year old Billie King.

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00:05:02,905 --> 00:05:06,394

They competed throughout with holiday themed categories like

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00:05:06,395 --> 00:05:10,615

A Christmas Songbook, Once Upon a December, Santa, and Claws.

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00:05:10,875 --> 00:05:11,235

C.

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00:05:11,295 --> 00:05:11,575

L.

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00:05:11,655 --> 00:05:11,965

A.

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00:05:11,975 --> 00:05:12,435

W.

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00:05:12,475 --> 00:05:12,885

S.

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00:05:13,375 --> 00:05:16,445

It was Billy who locked up
the game with a runaway win.

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00:05:16,925 --> 00:05:20,784

And then at the end of the week, the
winner who had the highest total, you

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00:05:20,784 --> 00:05:25,735

know, throughout the five days would add
an extra 5, 000 to their total that week,

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00:05:25,784 --> 00:05:28,474

that person was 13 year old Adam Bach.

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00:05:28,765 --> 00:05:36,175

who took home 13, 800 plus a trip for
four to the Hilton Hawaiian Village.

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00:05:36,175 --> 00:05:40,435

That was a prize back then that each
of our first place finishers received.

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00:05:40,955 --> 00:05:43,964

This was back, remember, when we
were still giving away some cars.

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00:05:43,965 --> 00:05:44,294

Yeah.

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00:05:44,335 --> 00:05:48,174

The five day limit was still in
effect for our regular players.

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00:05:48,224 --> 00:05:49,714

Dollar values had not been doubled.

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00:05:49,895 --> 00:05:51,905
This is, this is pre my day.

136
00:05:51,914 --> 00:05:55,395
You know, I came around in
2001, so this is early days.

137
00:05:56,150 --> 00:05:58,059
But it was always so fun.

138
00:05:58,080 --> 00:06:01,599
You know, we did it around the holidays
because kids could be off school.

139
00:06:01,599 --> 00:06:04,119
And it was a time that they would
maybe have a chance to watch.

140
00:06:04,530 --> 00:06:08,319
And Kids Week continued, whether it be
Holiday Kids Week or Back to School Week.

141
00:06:08,319 --> 00:06:10,229
You know, we would do
different iterations.

142
00:06:10,229 --> 00:06:12,080
And it continued for several years.

143
00:06:12,119 --> 00:06:15,039
And, um, you know, we haven't
done it now in several years.

144
00:06:15,059 --> 00:06:16,260
But, who knows?

145
00:06:16,350 --> 00:06:17,010
Could come back.

146
00:06:17,050 --> 00:06:17,660
Who knows?

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00:06:17,860 --> 00:06:22,289
It's fun to think, you know, think back
on these kids who were 12 and 13 and

148
00:06:22,289 --> 00:06:28,020
now they're 34, 35, you know, they could
have their own kids, maybe not quite

149
00:06:28,020 --> 00:06:29,559
this age, but approaching this age.

150
00:06:29,809 --> 00:06:30,900
That is crazy to think.

151
00:06:30,900 --> 00:06:31,150
Yeah.

152
00:06:31,380 --> 00:06:35,049
And we've alluded to it, you know, Michael
Davies always says he wants to have the

153
00:06:35,059 --> 00:06:37,929
best players on the Alex Trebek stage.

154
00:06:37,929 --> 00:06:42,770
So we have talked about Allowing people
like these kids who competed that,

155
00:06:43,150 --> 00:06:47,380
you know, lost their eligibility at
that point Because they were in a kids

156
00:06:47,380 --> 00:06:51,299
competition that they couldn't then go
on to another version of the syndicated

157
00:06:51,299 --> 00:06:53,399
show So who knows what could happen?

158
00:06:53,399 --> 00:06:57,359
We could be talking about Billy
King or Adam Bach again on

159
00:06:57,360 --> 00:06:58,740
the Alex Trebek stage You just

160
00:06:58,820 --> 00:06:59,349
never know

161
00:06:59,420 --> 00:07:02,170
anything is possible in
the new era of Jeopardy and

162
00:07:02,170 --> 00:07:02,330
that

163
00:07:02,330 --> 00:07:02,669
is what I

164
00:07:02,670 --> 00:07:06,150
love Well, it is time, Buzzy, to
head into our game highlights.

165
00:07:06,820 --> 00:07:10,820
We kicked off the week with our
final, final of the Champions Wildcard

166
00:07:10,830 --> 00:07:15,010
Hearts group, returning champions
Youngsheng Wang, Tyler Vandenberg,

167
00:07:15,020 --> 00:07:16,800
Gary Hollis back for day two.

168
00:07:17,199 --> 00:07:20,615
Tyler came into the game with a
commanding lead after being the only

169
00:07:20,615 --> 00:07:24,675
player to come up with that correct
response in Friday's Final Jeopardy.

170
00:07:25,095 --> 00:07:28,195
Youngsheng got off to a
great start in this game too,

171

00:07:28,214 --> 00:07:29,945
forming a strong lead early.

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00:07:30,195 --> 00:07:33,824
Then in Double Jeopardy, he found
the first Daily Double, exclaimed,

173

00:07:34,084 --> 00:07:38,985
scared money don't make money,
wagered 7, 000 and got it correct.

174

00:07:39,045 --> 00:07:44,995
Then he follows that up with another
10, 000 Daily Double to secure a two

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00:07:44,995 --> 00:07:50,455
day Combined runaway score heading into
final, he wagered zero, and he became

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00:07:50,485 --> 00:07:56,554
our final Season 37, Season 38 champions
wildcard winner, earning that fourth

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00:07:56,554 --> 00:07:59,175
spot in the Tournament of Champions.

178

00:07:59,254 --> 00:07:59,574
Well,

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00:07:59,594 --> 00:07:59,904
hats

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00:07:59,905 --> 00:08:01,605
off to you, Youngsheng we
talked about it last week.

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00:08:01,780 --> 00:08:04,979
You know, just that ability to
kind of shake it off and move on.

182

00:08:05,000 --> 00:08:06,820

And you saw it there.

183

00:08:06,950 --> 00:08:12,590

I just love those big daily doubles,
as you know, and that puts you in

184

00:08:12,669 --> 00:08:16,829

a place where you can wager zero
and not have to stress about it.

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00:08:16,829 --> 00:08:20,810

And you've locked it up while,
uh, Tyler and Gary are, you know,

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00:08:20,830 --> 00:08:21,340

stuck.

187

00:08:21,579 --> 00:08:21,939

Yeah.

188

00:08:21,960 --> 00:08:24,939

And Ken pointed out in the post
game chat, he asked Youngsheng , you

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00:08:24,939 --> 00:08:27,769

know, after those big daily
doubles in double jeopardy.

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00:08:28,179 --> 00:08:30,880

Did you realize, like, you could
not be caught mathematically?

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00:08:30,960 --> 00:08:33,700

And Youngsheng said, I have no idea.

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00:08:33,720 --> 00:08:35,339

I'm very bad at math.

193

00:08:35,760 --> 00:08:38,660

And then Ken followed it up by
saying, you know, do your clients

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00:08:38,660 --> 00:08:40,079
know that you're very bad at math?

195
00:08:40,079 --> 00:08:43,769
And Youngshin said that the
sentencing guidelines for certain

196
00:08:43,769 --> 00:08:47,970
felonies are very complicated and
that he usually just asks an adult.

197
00:08:49,490 --> 00:08:52,500
Ken joked, well, it's just
like the Final Jeopardy math.

198
00:08:52,550 --> 00:08:53,610
I'm given a card.

199
00:08:53,940 --> 00:08:57,810
for all of the two day total point
affairs that has every scenario because

200
00:08:58,130 --> 00:09:02,210
even though ken is perfectly good at
math There are a lot of numbers you used

201
00:09:02,239 --> 00:09:06,329
that card when you hosted, uh, the toc
So, you know all the different scenarios

202
00:09:06,329 --> 00:09:10,900
that show up on this giant mega card How
it can go any number of ways depending

203
00:09:10,900 --> 00:09:13,720
on who's correct and who's incorrect
and adding up their totals from game

204
00:09:13,720 --> 00:09:15,750
one And it's a it's a whole thing.

205
00:09:15,829 --> 00:09:19,115
One thing we know is Youngsheng

exclaimed at the very end.

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00:09:19,555 --> 00:09:21,045
Everyone here has been amazing.

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00:09:21,085 --> 00:09:23,754
I will buy you all drinks tonight.

208

00:09:24,155 --> 00:09:26,884
We're going to have to ask Youngsheng
a little later in the pod if

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00:09:26,884 --> 00:09:27,954
he made good on that promise.

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00:09:27,954 --> 00:09:29,765
Yeah, well, congrats again.

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00:09:29,765 --> 00:09:31,895
A very, very impressive play.

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00:09:32,515 --> 00:09:37,244
On Tuesday, we kicked off our second
chance competition featuring season 39

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00:09:37,275 --> 00:09:40,135
runners up Jason Carpenter, Eva Thomas.

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00:09:40,275 --> 00:09:41,385
and Mike Elliott.

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00:09:41,755 --> 00:09:45,055
Jason and Mike were battling back
and forth until Mike found the first

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00:09:45,055 --> 00:09:48,464
Daily Double in double jeopardy and
went all in but was unable to come up

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00:09:48,464 --> 00:09:52,265
with the correct response, effectively
dropping him out of contention.

218
00:09:52,685 --> 00:09:57,394
Eva tried to stave off the runaway, but
Jason was able to lock it up on the very

219
00:09:57,395 --> 00:10:00,324
last clue of the round by a mere 400.

220
00:10:00,575 --> 00:10:03,224
He becomes our first
second chance finalist.

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00:10:03,305 --> 00:10:04,194
I

222
00:10:04,274 --> 00:10:04,855
feel

223
00:10:04,865 --> 00:10:05,675
for Mike Elliott.

224
00:10:05,675 --> 00:10:07,115
Oh, I know.

225
00:10:07,325 --> 00:10:08,155
Because that is the right

226
00:10:08,165 --> 00:10:08,385
move.

227
00:10:08,385 --> 00:10:09,685
That's the right move.

228
00:10:09,685 --> 00:10:13,345
You know, like, if he gets that,
he's, you know, almost got a

229
00:10:13,345 --> 00:10:15,214
runaway in the other direction.

230
00:10:15,224 --> 00:10:17,214

You know, so Mike, hold your head high.

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00:10:17,224 --> 00:10:19,204

You're playing the game the way it ought to be played.

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00:10:19,204 --> 00:10:21,604

And it's exciting for us at home because that's what you

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00:10:21,604 --> 00:10:22,704

want to see, those big swings.

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00:10:22,714 --> 00:10:25,814

Especially as we've heard a lot of the people coming back for second chance

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00:10:25,814 --> 00:10:27,375

say, Hey, I got a second chance.

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00:10:27,395 --> 00:10:28,494

I'm going to play as hard as I can.

237

00:10:29,315 --> 00:10:29,675

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I love to see

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00:10:29,675 --> 00:10:29,795

it.

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00:10:29,944 --> 00:10:30,305

Yeah.

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00:10:30,305 --> 00:10:34,865

And Mike was one of the contestants who was defeated by Chris Polo,

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00:10:35,254 --> 00:10:40,835

interestingly enough, one of the few players who avoided a runaway by Chris.

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00:10:40,865 --> 00:10:42,155

So here comes Jason.

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00:10:42,155 --> 00:10:45,535
He puts up a runaway, but that
daily double was a tough one.

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00:10:45,540 --> 00:10:49,255
And if that goes a different
way, Mike moves on to the finals.

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00:10:49,734 --> 00:10:50,935
We have been talking about it.

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00:10:50,935 --> 00:10:52,980
This was the first show with the new open.

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00:10:52,980 --> 00:10:53,379
Mm-Hmm.

248

00:10:53,460 --> 00:10:54,835
. The first game with all of our.

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00:10:55,160 --> 00:11:00,290
new material from our writers,
our new logo, and so this was

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00:11:00,290 --> 00:11:02,910
a fun behind the scenes shoot.

251

00:11:02,930 --> 00:11:06,329
We did this on a couple of tape
days and essentially just wanted

252

00:11:06,329 --> 00:11:10,889
to capture the staff and crew doing
what they do on a normal tape day.

253

00:11:10,900 --> 00:11:15,470
So, you know, you get a chance to
see Johnny Gilbert, who we often

254

00:11:15,480 --> 00:11:19,380

don't have in studio, but we made
sure that we called Johnny in for

255

00:11:19,380 --> 00:11:21,040
that day because to see Johnny.

256

00:11:21,330 --> 00:11:26,430
In his satin jacket doing his thing,
you see Lucinda at the end of the shot.

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00:11:26,440 --> 00:11:28,180
She's one of our directors on Jeopardy.

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00:11:28,180 --> 00:11:30,370
We have Lucinda and also Russell Norman.

259

00:11:30,380 --> 00:11:31,850
So you get to see her in there.

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00:11:32,110 --> 00:11:35,989
You see Michelle Loud and Billy
Weiss, our two head writers.

261

00:11:36,429 --> 00:11:38,870
You see the enabler, Michael Harris.

262

00:11:39,325 --> 00:11:43,294
You see me, you see Ken getting
ready to go out, you see

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00:11:43,325 --> 00:11:44,585
some of our camera operators.

264

00:11:44,615 --> 00:11:48,524
When you see three fingers in the air,
that's Jimmy Maguire's stage manager.

265

00:11:48,544 --> 00:11:49,234
Three fingers.

266

00:11:49,244 --> 00:11:52,655
So can't wait to hear what everyone

thinks of the new Behind the Scenes Open.

267

00:11:52,954 --> 00:11:55,915
We thought it was just, especially
having our writers back.

268

00:11:55,945 --> 00:11:56,185
Yeah.

269

00:11:56,204 --> 00:11:59,155
You know, just to really
show what goes into this and

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00:11:59,284 --> 00:11:59,744
I loved it.

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00:11:59,940 --> 00:12:03,099
Yeah, and I think, you know, with
Inside Jeopardy, we're giving people a

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00:12:03,099 --> 00:12:06,900
little more look in, and so I think, you
know, people are enjoying learning more

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00:12:06,900 --> 00:12:12,250
about what goes on, not just in the 22
minutes that we see on television, but

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00:12:12,940 --> 00:12:14,749
everything that happens before and after.

275

00:12:15,009 --> 00:12:17,169
Moving on to Wednesday with Javeria Zahid.

276

00:12:17,419 --> 00:12:19,859
here, Sam Clawson and Jake Garrett.

277

00:12:20,309 --> 00:12:22,039
What a great game this was.

278

00:12:22,049 --> 00:12:26,639
Sam got off to a hot start, but

Juveria caught fire in double jeopardy,

279

00:12:26,839 --> 00:12:30,419
stringing together multiple correct
responses to take back the lead

280

00:12:30,419 --> 00:12:34,399
before finding the first daily double
where she went all in for a whopping

281

00:12:34,929 --> 00:12:39,129
15, 200 skyrocketing into the lead.

282

00:12:39,454 --> 00:12:43,244
But then Jake finds the next Daily
Double and he nearly went all in to

283

00:12:43,244 --> 00:12:45,464
jump into second place for a moment.

284

00:12:45,784 --> 00:12:49,594
But then Sam worked back into
second place and somehow denied the

285

00:12:49,594 --> 00:12:55,454
runaway against Juveria's massive
32, 400 score heading into final.

286

00:12:55,734 --> 00:13:01,264
Both Sam and Jake went all in and
were correct, but so was Juveria.

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00:13:01,264 --> 00:13:03,974
So she gets that win by just 400.

288

00:13:05,654 --> 00:13:09,504
Her Daily Double, that 15, 200, it
was the largest one we have seen.

289

00:13:09,834 --> 00:13:10,564
All season.

290

00:13:11,314 --> 00:13:16,814
And those three players, their final
scores, highest combined final scores of

291
00:13:16,814 --> 00:13:24,144
the entire season with 108, 200, this was
a second chance game that proved exactly.

292
00:13:25,294 --> 00:13:25,944
competition.

293
00:13:26,374 --> 00:13:27,254
I am holding

294
00:13:27,254 --> 00:13:31,044
back screaming expletives about
how much I love this show.

295
00:13:31,074 --> 00:13:33,624
This is like everything I live for.

296
00:13:33,954 --> 00:13:36,994
Um, and I, I just can't get enough of it.

297
00:13:37,004 --> 00:13:38,654
I want to watch it over and over again.

298
00:13:38,684 --> 00:13:42,844
You know, I, my heart also sort
of goes out to Sam and Jake

299
00:13:43,004 --> 00:13:44,028
on the previous day's game.

300
00:13:44,028 --> 00:13:47,174
We've got a runaway with 12, 000 today.

301
00:13:47,599 --> 00:13:51,739
You're in 3rd place with 35, 800.

302
00:13:51,809 --> 00:13:52,999
Oh my god.

303

00:13:53,019 --> 00:13:56,519

And I just want to call
out both Sam and Jake.

304

00:13:56,659 --> 00:14:00,859

100 percent correct in this game.

305

00:14:01,149 --> 00:14:06,439

And Juveria, 86 percent which is
also a very, very high percentage.

306

00:14:06,659 --> 00:14:08,559

Just impressive play.

307

00:14:08,959 --> 00:14:09,509

across

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00:14:09,519 --> 00:14:09,959

the board.

309

00:14:10,039 --> 00:14:10,889

What a game.

310

00:14:10,919 --> 00:14:15,379

Well, heading into Thursday, it was Iris
Masucci, Karen Morris and Michael Vaz.

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00:14:15,729 --> 00:14:18,699

This was a slow but evenly
matched game throughout.

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00:14:18,719 --> 00:14:21,949

Karen chipped away at the board
to form a lead in double jeopardy,

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00:14:21,959 --> 00:14:23,489

a lead which she took into final.

314

00:14:23,739 --> 00:14:26,329

Unfortunately for her,
it was a triple stumper.

315
00:14:26,339 --> 00:14:31,819
And so it was Iris with that wise wager
from second place who gets the come from

316
00:14:31,819 --> 00:14:32,619
behind win.

317
00:14:32,739 --> 00:14:33,099
Yes,

318
00:14:33,129 --> 00:14:34,469
I want to call out Iris.

319
00:14:34,469 --> 00:14:38,514
This is someone who has studied the
game, knows how to make the right wager.

320
00:14:38,514 --> 00:14:40,254
So hat is off to you.

321
00:14:40,474 --> 00:14:44,954
I think sometimes when you witness
you're there in the audience,

322
00:14:44,954 --> 00:14:45,914
they're watching these games.

323
00:14:45,914 --> 00:14:50,044
When you witness a game like that,
it's kind of hard to then like get

324
00:14:50,054 --> 00:14:54,994
up on stage and just play after
the explosion that you had just

325
00:14:54,994 --> 00:14:55,504
witnessed.

326
00:14:55,534 --> 00:14:55,874
I can't

327

00:14:55,874 --> 00:14:56,434
imagine.

328

00:14:56,454 --> 00:14:56,714
Yeah.

329

00:14:56,984 --> 00:14:59,414
Uh, one little, I just loved this moment.

330

00:14:59,714 --> 00:15:04,864
Ken Jennings, fun Cardi B clue and
double jeopardy sampling for 1200.

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00:15:05,334 --> 00:15:06,154
Give me your best.

332

00:15:06,584 --> 00:15:06,874
Oh

333

00:15:09,044 --> 00:15:10,054
I'm not gonna do it.

334

00:15:10,084 --> 00:15:11,714
I can't do it better than you or Ken.

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00:15:11,715 --> 00:15:12,694
Well,

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00:15:12,694 --> 00:15:15,854
Ken did it incredibly well It took
me by surprise, you know, I'm just

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00:15:15,854 --> 00:15:18,454
sitting there reading along with the
script and I'm like, whoa I mean,

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00:15:18,454 --> 00:15:19,764
he really brought it for that one.

339

00:15:20,284 --> 00:15:21,124
Yeah, I do

340
00:15:21,124 --> 00:15:24,594
love the original Pete Rodriguez
song That was sampled by Cardi B.

341
00:15:24,594 --> 00:15:26,024
I'm a big Boogaloo fan.

342
00:15:26,024 --> 00:15:26,794
I was just talking with

343
00:15:26,794 --> 00:15:27,454
a friend about it.

344
00:15:27,454 --> 00:15:27,704
So

345
00:15:28,214 --> 00:15:28,824
Boogaloo.

346
00:15:28,944 --> 00:15:32,419
It's good now It's good then
Yeah, I like it like that.

347
00:15:33,349 --> 00:15:37,439
Okay, well we closed out the week
with the first of the two day total

348
00:15:37,439 --> 00:15:42,399
point of fare with Juveria Zahir,
Jason Carpenter and Iris Masucci.

349
00:15:42,989 --> 00:15:47,529
Wow, this was Juveria's game all the way.

350
00:15:47,529 --> 00:15:51,569
She got off to a blistering
start and never looked back.

351
00:15:51,789 --> 00:15:56,209
Scoring 20, 000 in daily
doubles alone on her way.

352
00:15:56,599 --> 00:16:04,049
to an incredible one day score of 51,
200 huge lead heading into day two.

353
00:16:04,549 --> 00:16:08,339
She will be very hard to catch,
but as Ken said in the post game

354
00:16:08,339 --> 00:16:10,009
chat, you know, it isn't over yet.

355
00:16:10,259 --> 00:16:14,039
We've seen so many comebacks in the
second day of these two day finals,

356
00:16:14,040 --> 00:16:19,604
but Buzzy, I've never seen a comeback
with a first place score of 51, 200.

357
00:16:19,604 --> 00:16:20,134
That's big.

358
00:16:20,144 --> 00:16:20,814
Well, first of all,

359
00:16:20,814 --> 00:16:21,714
I'm weeping.

360
00:16:21,754 --> 00:16:27,564
I'm weeping with just admiration
and joy at watching Juveria

361
00:16:27,844 --> 00:16:30,554
just obliterate that board.

362
00:16:30,564 --> 00:16:33,324
You know, it's not really about the
other contestants when you're up there.

363
00:16:33,324 --> 00:16:35,114
It's really you against the material.

364

00:16:35,284 --> 00:16:36,964

What a beautiful thing.

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00:16:36,965 --> 00:16:40,344

I, you know, I'm often the one to say, Hey, it's only an effective

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00:16:40,344 --> 00:16:41,144

lead of blah, blah, blah.

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00:16:41,334 --> 00:16:45,939

This is an effective lead of like 17, 000.

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00:16:45,940 --> 00:16:47,779

50, 000 that's yes.

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00:16:48,029 --> 00:16:54,839

That is a big big lead But if Javaria can put up 50, 000 one day There's no

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00:16:54,839 --> 00:16:58,039

reason Jason or Iris can't the next so I'm

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00:16:58,039 --> 00:16:58,849

still in this

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00:16:59,059 --> 00:17:04,849

Well in the postgame chat Jason said Javaria is a buzzsaw on the buzzer Then

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00:17:04,849 --> 00:17:09,839

Ken asked Juveria, you know, about these huge wagers and she said when you lose

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00:17:09,839 --> 00:17:15,089

once and this is kind of your last shot, you're like, I'm just gonna do it and

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00:17:15,089 --> 00:17:18,909

I want to have fun and I want to be brave and I don't want to feel scared.

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00:17:19,754 --> 00:17:24,454

As a mom of two daughters, like Juveria is, and those two daughters are in the

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00:17:24,454 --> 00:17:31,494

audience, her daughters are the same age as my kids, and I just was so happy for

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00:17:31,494 --> 00:17:36,474

her as a mom, as a parent, to have your girls watch you up on the Alex Trebek

379

00:17:36,484 --> 00:17:41,944

stage lead with such a fantastic example of being brave and not feeling scared.

380

00:17:42,294 --> 00:17:43,424

And look what happened.

381

00:17:43,464 --> 00:17:43,774

Yeah.

382

00:17:44,014 --> 00:17:47,174

She's heading into day two with a huge lead, no matter what

383

00:17:47,184 --> 00:17:48,574

happens in that second game.

384

00:17:48,904 --> 00:17:53,944

She has just really proven that she absolutely Has a rightful spot behind

385

00:17:53,944 --> 00:17:57,374

a podium on the Alex Trebek stage and more than likely a champion's podium.

386

00:17:57,404 --> 00:17:58,714

Yeah, well I am uh,

387

00:17:58,724 --> 00:18:00,664

definitely tuning in tonight.

388

00:18:00,674 --> 00:18:05,244

This is a reason to tune in
on Christmas to watch Juveria

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00:18:05,394 --> 00:18:07,064

and Jason and Iris do what

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00:18:07,064 --> 00:18:07,504

they do.

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00:18:07,714 --> 00:18:10,454

Alright, well it is now
time for our host chat.

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00:18:10,814 --> 00:18:15,644

An audience member asked Ken, What has
surprised you the most about hosting?

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00:18:16,434 --> 00:18:16,514

I

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00:18:16,514 --> 00:18:16,854

mean,

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00:18:16,894 --> 00:18:19,294

Alex made the job look so easy
that I think a lot of people

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00:18:19,294 --> 00:18:21,159

assume Hosting Jeopardy!

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00:18:21,159 --> 00:18:21,869

is no big deal.

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00:18:21,869 --> 00:18:24,059

The show kind of runs itself,
but that's just because he was

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00:18:24,059 --> 00:18:25,279

so smooth and graceful at it.

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00:18:25,279 --> 00:18:26,759

He made it look easy.

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00:18:26,759 --> 00:18:28,049

In fact, it's kind of difficult.

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00:18:28,419 --> 00:18:30,769

I was particularly surprised
by how hard Final Jeopardy!

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00:18:30,809 --> 00:18:33,769

is, because they give me a card
that has all these numbers on it.

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00:18:33,769 --> 00:18:34,689

Here's what she had.

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00:18:34,929 --> 00:18:35,889

Here's what she wagered.

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00:18:35,889 --> 00:18:36,829

If she's right, it's this.

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00:18:36,849 --> 00:18:37,819

If she's wrong, it's this.

408

00:18:38,144 --> 00:18:40,404

If she wins, here's what
it is added to yesterday.

409

00:18:40,614 --> 00:18:43,074

You know, you get this card with,
like, at least ten numbers on it.

410

00:18:43,454 --> 00:18:47,204

And it took me a long time to not to
be like, Ah, like, why are they giving

411

00:18:47,204 --> 00:18:48,584

me the world's worst Sudoku right now?

412
00:18:48,584 --> 00:18:51,514
I'm trying to do, I'm trying to do
Final Jeopardy, but, like, I've had a

413
00:18:51,514 --> 00:18:53,774
few months to get used to it, and I'm
a little smoother at Final Jeopardy.

414
00:18:55,024 --> 00:18:59,324
Well, and we talked about this complicated
Final Jeopardy card a little earlier.

415
00:18:59,719 --> 00:19:04,199
Shout out to Michelle Loud, in addition
to being one of our co head writers, she

416
00:19:04,199 --> 00:19:09,419
is also the mathematician behind the card,
she figures out every scenario and she

417
00:19:09,419 --> 00:19:13,979
writes it up beautifully for Ken in this,
you know, crossword puzzle looking sheet

418
00:19:14,039 --> 00:19:18,594
and hands it over and When Michelle's
done it, you never have to worry.

419
00:19:18,604 --> 00:19:21,984
It is absolutely 100
percent done correctly.

420
00:19:22,254 --> 00:19:25,854
And so you can just take those
numbers and run with it knowing

421
00:19:25,854 --> 00:19:26,964
that she's done the hard part.

422
00:19:26,964 --> 00:19:28,604
You just have to figure out
where you are on the card.

423

00:19:28,814 --> 00:19:28,914

I

424

00:19:28,914 --> 00:19:33,464

do love also, I believe Michelle checks her work with an old school calculator.

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00:19:33,494 --> 00:19:35,414

There's no like iPhone calculator.

426

00:19:35,414 --> 00:19:37,114

She's got, you know, she's pushing buttons

427

00:19:37,114 --> 00:19:37,494

out there.

428

00:19:37,544 --> 00:19:37,844

Yeah.

429

00:19:37,884 --> 00:19:38,724

She's got her pencil.

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00:19:39,079 --> 00:19:42,469

She's got her eraser, she's got her calculator, and oftentimes

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00:19:42,469 --> 00:19:43,279

a Hello Kitty notebook.

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00:19:44,689 --> 00:19:48,669

All right, it is now time to welcome to the pod Youngsheng Wang.

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00:19:48,849 --> 00:19:50,569

Hi Youngsheng, thanks for joining us.

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00:19:50,819 --> 00:19:54,499

Thank you, uh, it's great to be here and, uh, still very

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00:19:54,499 --> 00:19:56,669

unexpected and still very shocking.

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00:19:56,834 --> 00:19:59,214

First of all, something
unusual is happening, Buzzy.

437

00:19:59,224 --> 00:20:01,514

You and I are dressed up a
little more than Youngsheng.

438

00:20:01,534 --> 00:20:02,734

Yeah, first time that's happened.

439

00:20:02,774 --> 00:20:05,264

First time this has happened,
because you are our award winner.

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00:20:05,284 --> 00:20:06,904

You know, best dressed.

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00:20:06,924 --> 00:20:08,254

The inaugural Jeopardy!

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00:20:08,274 --> 00:20:09,094

Honors winner.

443

00:20:09,384 --> 00:20:12,674

I, yes, uh, that was a
amazing honor for me.

444

00:20:12,694 --> 00:20:15,604

Um, you just happened to catch
me on the one day, the one day

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00:20:15,604 --> 00:20:16,624

where I can work from home.

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00:20:17,194 --> 00:20:21,194

So, uh, I have chosen to kind of
be a little casual in addition

447

00:20:21,194 --> 00:20:24,894

to being a champion as a wildcard winner
and a three time champion You also

448

00:20:24,894 --> 00:20:26,464
get to claim the best dress winner.

449

00:20:26,464 --> 00:20:28,584
You've got more bona fides than almost

450

00:20:28,584 --> 00:20:31,254
anybody Yeah, it helped somehow, I guess.

451

00:20:31,254 --> 00:20:33,324
Uh, the bow ties were
intimidating for people.

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00:20:34,594 --> 00:20:38,824
I did buy four new bow ties, and
I swore, like Serena Williams with

453

00:20:38,824 --> 00:20:41,614
her tennis dresses, I was going
to debut them all on national TV.

454

00:20:42,134 --> 00:20:43,344
I got to debut three of them.

455

00:20:43,344 --> 00:20:44,894
One of them didn't quite pass wardrobe.

456

00:20:44,895 --> 00:20:47,224
But I will look for more.

457

00:20:48,399 --> 00:20:48,679
Yeah,

458

00:20:48,679 --> 00:20:50,629
you could possibly need a lot of ties.

459

00:20:50,689 --> 00:20:51,039
Yes.

460
00:20:51,040 --> 00:20:55,589
And I also want to bring it back
to that award winning moment of the

461
00:20:55,589 --> 00:20:58,419
best style, because you actually
accepted the award in style.

462
00:20:58,429 --> 00:21:01,509
You know, you had your trophy in one
hand and your Corona in the other.

463
00:21:01,879 --> 00:21:03,449
I think you had a great time at honors.

464
00:21:03,449 --> 00:21:04,029
Am I right?

465
00:21:04,149 --> 00:21:04,549
I did.

466
00:21:04,549 --> 00:21:04,599
I

467
00:21:04,599 --> 00:21:04,869
did.

468
00:21:04,899 --> 00:21:08,689
You know, the pressure was kind of
off for me and, uh, Emily Fiasco.

469
00:21:08,689 --> 00:21:10,239
We were just, you know,
having a good time.

470
00:21:10,319 --> 00:21:13,249
I was just like, Hey, I
think I'm supposed to have.

471
00:21:13,664 --> 00:21:16,984
A drink here and there, um, when it
was announced, I was like, Oh, what

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00:21:16,984 --> 00:21:18,684
do I, what do I do with this drink?

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00:21:18,684 --> 00:21:20,654
And my, my friend, where do I put this?

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00:21:20,664 --> 00:21:23,284
And my friend, what he went
with was nowhere to be found.

475

00:21:23,284 --> 00:21:26,734
So I was like, uh, let me just bring
it up and we'll just make this another.

476

00:21:27,194 --> 00:21:28,644
Live humiliating moment for Young.

477

00:21:29,244 --> 00:21:29,814
I love it.

478

00:21:30,084 --> 00:21:35,224
Well, as you mentioned, you were
our alternate for TOC last year, and

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00:21:35,224 --> 00:21:38,524
so therefore you were there for the
honors program, you were there for

480

00:21:38,524 --> 00:21:42,594
the initial tapings of the Tournament
of Champions, and you were a three

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00:21:42,594 --> 00:21:44,074
game winner in your first run.

482

00:21:44,074 --> 00:21:47,664
So, from the get go, you have proven
that you're a pretty good Jeopardy!

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00:21:47,664 --> 00:21:48,584
champion, Youngsheng.

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00:21:48,949 --> 00:21:50,279

Every, you know, Jeopardy!

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00:21:50,389 --> 00:21:53,489

champion player goes back to
that one moment where they lost.

486

00:21:53,599 --> 00:21:57,299

I think what I need to do, and what I need
to focus more on, is just like, I need to

487

00:21:57,299 --> 00:22:00,719

stop and think about things, because like,
I react on gut instinct a lot of times.

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00:22:01,209 --> 00:22:07,939

And as uh, evidenced by the uh, run in
the hearts tournament, I will just blurt

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00:22:07,949 --> 00:22:10,989

things out that aren't quite the right
answer, when I could just think about

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00:22:10,989 --> 00:22:12,229

it and actually get the right answer.

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00:22:12,229 --> 00:22:15,969

So in that game I was like, oh, The answer
is clearly Zorro, and like, if I thought

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00:22:15,969 --> 00:22:19,609

about it some more, I'd be like, oh you
moron, it's Sherlock Holmes, like, ah,

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00:22:19,689 --> 00:22:21,919

and that cost me like a shot at the TOC.

494

00:22:22,359 --> 00:22:26,319

That time around, but fate, thank
you Jeopardy for giving me a second

495

00:22:26,319 --> 00:22:30,619
chance and, uh, letting me earn
another spot, I guess, so it's,

496
00:22:30,669 --> 00:22:31,689
I'm eternally grateful for that.

497
00:22:31,729 --> 00:22:32,279
You know, you

498
00:22:32,279 --> 00:22:37,009
were kind of one of those champions
who had won games, didn't make it

499
00:22:37,009 --> 00:22:39,814
to the TOC, and you were seeing
that we were doing the same thing.

500
00:22:39,814 --> 00:22:41,404
Second chance competition.

501
00:22:41,454 --> 00:22:44,944
It's champions like you that I think
champions wildcard, you know, it's

502
00:22:44,954 --> 00:22:49,684
why it came to be because we figured
there has to be another gateway to TOC.

503
00:22:49,684 --> 00:22:53,204
If we're giving it to those people who
didn't quite come up with a win, we've

504
00:22:53,204 --> 00:22:56,994
got to give it to those people who really
were able to put together a run, but just

505
00:22:56,994 --> 00:22:58,364
not a strong enough one to make it to the

506
00:22:58,364 --> 00:22:58,904
TOC.

507
00:22:59,239 --> 00:22:59,919
Yeah, yeah.

508
00:22:59,939 --> 00:23:01,209
It's that's exactly right.

509
00:23:01,239 --> 00:23:05,859
You know, a lot of times Jeopardy is
just, uh, it's like 60, 70 percent

510
00:23:06,069 --> 00:23:09,309
knowledge of what you know, what
you accumulated throughout your

511
00:23:09,309 --> 00:23:10,989
life, and then 30 percent just

512
00:23:14,094 --> 00:23:17,334
And sometimes, you know, it's just the
cards don't align for you, uh, luckily

513
00:23:17,524 --> 00:23:21,914
this time around the, the cards did
align for me and I am, uh, eternally

514
00:23:21,914 --> 00:23:23,394
grateful for that opportunity again.

515
00:23:23,594 --> 00:23:26,684
What did you do to prepare
for this, you know, second

516
00:23:26,724 --> 00:23:27,464
opportunity?

517
00:23:27,634 --> 00:23:29,794
Usually I, you know, people
brush up on their weak spots.

518
00:23:29,834 --> 00:23:33,134
I tend to reinforce the
areas where I, I know a lot.

519

00:23:33,204 --> 00:23:36,864
I listened to a, uh, a
podcast on Shakespeare, made

520

00:23:36,864 --> 00:23:37,984
sure I had to get all the.

521

00:23:38,544 --> 00:23:41,824
main characters down and all
the plays, uh, I watched a,

522

00:23:41,824 --> 00:23:43,704
a lot of opera on YouTube.

523

00:23:43,714 --> 00:23:45,984
Shockingly, a lot of it
is free and available.

524

00:23:45,994 --> 00:23:50,114
So I watched like the entire ring
cycle of opera and turns out it's

525

00:23:50,114 --> 00:23:54,644
a pretty, it's a pretty involved
kind of a Thor esque, uh, story.

526

00:23:54,824 --> 00:23:56,954
I did go back and look
at some old questions.

527

00:23:56,955 --> 00:24:00,724
I think I went back from like
starting in 2017 or 2018.

528

00:24:01,094 --> 00:24:04,394
Buzzy, I think I went through
your run of, uh, Jeopardy as well.

529

00:24:04,394 --> 00:24:07,464
I tried to like, at least go
through four or five years of.

530

00:24:07,844 --> 00:24:11,124
past Jeopardy questions just to like
see what areas I didn't know and

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00:24:11,124 --> 00:24:14,964
every time I, I missed something or
it was a fact I didn't know, I would

532

00:24:14,964 --> 00:24:18,894
write it down in this little notebook
I had and I would just kind of drill

533

00:24:18,894 --> 00:24:23,644
it just to kind of like reinforce the
rote memorization mechanism of your

534

00:24:23,644 --> 00:24:24,004
brain.

535

00:24:24,174 --> 00:24:27,504
And had you been trying to
get on Jeopardy for a while?

536

00:24:27,504 --> 00:24:30,719
Or tell me about your young
shin jeopardy journey.

537

00:24:30,739 --> 00:24:30,979
Well,

538

00:24:30,989 --> 00:24:33,819
I, I was very, very lucky.

539

00:24:33,989 --> 00:24:36,299
I applied one time.

540

00:24:36,409 --> 00:24:38,059
I think it was like
towards the end of 2020.

541

00:24:38,119 --> 00:24:39,689
We're all stuck at home and kind of bored.

542

00:24:39,729 --> 00:24:41,949
And one day I was just sitting
on the couch, my phone.

543

00:24:42,449 --> 00:24:43,149
And I was like, you know what?

544

00:24:43,734 --> 00:24:44,664
I've been wanting to do this.

545

00:24:44,664 --> 00:24:46,294
Why don't we, why don't I just
try to take the test and see

546

00:24:46,294 --> 00:24:47,574
if I can pass it on my phone.

547

00:24:47,634 --> 00:24:49,274
And apparently I did.

548

00:24:49,784 --> 00:24:52,574
And, uh, I managed to pass the Zoom test.

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00:24:52,624 --> 00:24:54,734
And then pass the personality test.

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00:24:54,754 --> 00:24:57,484
Which, normally my personality
is a little rough for people.

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00:24:57,484 --> 00:24:58,264
So, thank

552

00:24:58,264 --> 00:25:00,634
you call that the gameplay
audition, Youngsheng?

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00:25:00,654 --> 00:25:02,154
You don't call it the personality

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00:25:02,154 --> 00:25:02,624
test.

555
00:25:02,664 --> 00:25:03,964
We do give you a score though.

556
00:25:06,294 --> 00:25:07,384
They wanted me as an alternate.

557
00:25:07,464 --> 00:25:11,274
for one week, but I had filmed
this other game show with Ken.

558
00:25:11,354 --> 00:25:14,574
Uh, I think it was called masterminds
on the game show network, but that

559
00:25:14,574 --> 00:25:17,514
unfortunately aired too soon for jeopardy.

560
00:25:17,514 --> 00:25:19,774
So I had to wait about
a year, year and a half.

561
00:25:20,174 --> 00:25:24,624
And I finally got the call in about
April of 2022 to, to, to be on

562
00:25:24,724 --> 00:25:27,354
alternate the first time and then the
next week they promised me I would

563
00:25:27,364 --> 00:25:30,114
be able to participate in one of the
games and I was like, yes, absolutely.

564
00:25:30,144 --> 00:25:32,204
So I was really lucky to have.

565
00:25:32,784 --> 00:25:36,684
Just kind of a one audition shot
at getting on, um, and I know many

566

00:25:36,684 --> 00:25:38,564
people have applied many times.

567

00:25:38,604 --> 00:25:41,984
And so I was just super lucky and
blessed to be able to just kind of

568

00:25:41,984 --> 00:25:44,094
apply and be on as soon as I could.

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00:25:44,184 --> 00:25:44,394
But

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00:25:44,394 --> 00:25:47,714
stories like yours are exactly
the ones that we want to tell,

571

00:25:47,744 --> 00:25:50,734
because you had 15 minutes of free
time and you said, You know what?

572

00:25:50,734 --> 00:25:51,594
I've always wanted to be on that show.

573

00:25:51,594 --> 00:25:55,254
Why don't I just Just take this little
test, you know, sitting on the couch with

574

00:25:55,254 --> 00:25:58,104
my dog on my phone and look what happened.

575

00:25:58,114 --> 00:25:59,564
You're headed to the
Tournament of Champions.

576

00:25:59,604 --> 00:26:01,904
And 184, 000

577

00:26:02,974 --> 00:26:03,354
plus.

578

00:26:04,984 --> 00:26:05,674
Yeah, that's amazing.

579
00:26:05,684 --> 00:26:07,044
My dog did not help me cheat.

580
00:26:07,074 --> 00:26:08,374
He did not help me with any questions.

581
00:26:08,674 --> 00:26:10,524
Um, he's a They rarely do.

582
00:26:10,525 --> 00:26:13,689
He's He's a Slytherin like I
am, so he's very clever, but

583
00:26:13,729 --> 00:26:15,109
we played fair and square.

584
00:26:15,269 --> 00:26:19,489
Well, we head into the quarterfinals
of Champions Wildcard, and I think

585
00:26:19,489 --> 00:26:24,269
one of your secret weapons is your
ability to come up with correct

586
00:26:24,269 --> 00:26:26,499
responses in final when you need them.

587
00:26:26,969 --> 00:26:32,029
And once again, you pull off a come from
behind win in this quarterfinal game,

588
00:26:32,029 --> 00:26:35,369
because Scott, you know, he was in the
driver's seat because of that big daily

589
00:26:35,369 --> 00:26:35,719
double.

590
00:26:35,779 --> 00:26:38,939

That Final Jeopardy question
was really Really tough.

591

00:26:38,989 --> 00:26:42,789
And I was like, I think this
is what they're going for here.

592

00:26:42,849 --> 00:26:46,509
And I had like a little watch party with
some of my friends for that episode.

593

00:26:46,519 --> 00:26:51,119
And no one could figure out what
they were asking whatsoever.

594

00:26:51,129 --> 00:26:54,849
And I was like, well, I think
it's this fake made up language.

595

00:26:54,859 --> 00:26:56,429
Cause I know William Shatner.

596

00:26:56,654 --> 00:26:59,224
Starred in the only movie I ever
filmed in Esperanto, so maybe

597

00:26:59,224 --> 00:26:59,844
that's what they're going for.

598

00:26:59,844 --> 00:27:01,464
It's like a universal language
that people were made up.

599

00:27:01,534 --> 00:27:02,244
So I went with that.

600

00:27:02,344 --> 00:27:07,694
And I got really lucky in that respect,
um, because they were both playing to win.

601

00:27:07,734 --> 00:27:11,554
And if they had gotten it right as
well, I think I would have been toast.

602

00:27:11,644 --> 00:27:12,584

Well, during the interview,

603

00:27:12,594 --> 00:27:16,434

you did reveal about this tattoo
that you have that represents

604

00:27:16,434 --> 00:27:17,404

that you like to drink.

605

00:27:17,414 --> 00:27:18,214

Oh, there it is!

606

00:27:18,614 --> 00:27:20,794

Sorry, listeners, you can't
see it, but we get to see it.

607

00:27:21,294 --> 00:27:24,974

And so after the game, you know, you
circled back to it because you just

608

00:27:24,974 --> 00:27:28,924

said, I'm so shocked and I'm going
to buy drinks for everyone tonight

609

00:27:28,924 --> 00:27:30,254

because these guys are awesome.

610

00:27:30,394 --> 00:27:30,544

Yes.

611

00:27:30,664 --> 00:27:31,394

Did you in fact

612

00:27:31,394 --> 00:27:31,984

buy anyone drinks?

613

00:27:32,004 --> 00:27:32,394

Yes.

614

00:27:32,434 --> 00:27:35,324
At the end of the tournament, all the
contestants were staying at the hotel.

615
00:27:35,354 --> 00:27:35,684
I was like.

616
00:27:36,089 --> 00:27:37,139
Come up for happy hour.

617
00:27:37,149 --> 00:27:40,299
We're all exhausted, but
I will buy you all drinks.

618
00:27:40,449 --> 00:27:42,349
The bar tab ended up being
pretty significant, but I

619
00:27:42,349 --> 00:27:42,909
was like, you know what?

620
00:27:42,949 --> 00:27:44,989
Everyone deserves a free
drink and time to relax.

621
00:27:44,999 --> 00:27:45,569
It's on me.

622
00:27:45,599 --> 00:27:47,219
Let's, let's have a,
let's have a good time.

623
00:27:47,349 --> 00:27:47,509
I

624
00:27:47,509 --> 00:27:48,059
love that.

625
00:27:48,139 --> 00:27:49,249
So the hearts were able to

626
00:27:49,279 --> 00:27:49,699

bond.

627

00:27:50,109 --> 00:27:52,889
We were, we were, you know, this
time around we got to hang out in the

628

00:27:52,889 --> 00:27:54,119
green room and get to know each other.

629

00:27:54,709 --> 00:28:01,479
And in my regular life, my husband has
like a very kind of low tolerance for, uh,

630

00:28:01,519 --> 00:28:03,369
just like bouncing facts back and forth.

631

00:28:03,849 --> 00:28:07,159
He's like, I don't care what the capital
of Kyrgyzstan is, I don't care what

632

00:28:07,159 --> 00:28:09,989
the capital of Tajikistan is, please
go bother somebody else with this.

633

00:28:10,469 --> 00:28:13,509
But in the green room, um, you know,
Tyler had a bunch of flashcards, and

634

00:28:13,509 --> 00:28:17,049
we were just going over different
things that he, like, found out and,

635

00:28:17,089 --> 00:28:20,279
like, I knew, and, and just, like,
going, you know, back and forth.

636

00:28:20,289 --> 00:28:23,739
So, that was, that was, like, a
really fun, different experience

637

00:28:23,739 --> 00:28:25,179
from, uh, the first time around.

638
00:28:25,179 --> 00:28:26,889
So, yeah, we, we all bonded together.

639
00:28:27,414 --> 00:28:29,834
Uh, and actually we did
karaoke afterwards as well.

640
00:28:30,454 --> 00:28:30,484
What?

641
00:28:30,484 --> 00:28:30,824
Yeah.

642
00:28:31,034 --> 00:28:31,734
Oh my goodness.

643
00:28:31,814 --> 00:28:32,164
Okay.

644
00:28:32,164 --> 00:28:33,124
What was the highlight?

645
00:28:33,134 --> 00:28:34,704
Who sang it best and what did

646
00:28:34,704 --> 00:28:34,924
they sing?

647
00:28:34,934 --> 00:28:37,424
Oh, Andrew Chaikin was
by far the best singer.

648
00:28:37,454 --> 00:28:41,934
He sang Dock of the Bay by Otis
Redding and he was Amazing.

649
00:28:42,024 --> 00:28:45,324
I did my wow, my usual go-to,
which was Lose Yourself by Eminem.

650
00:28:45,384 --> 00:28:49,794

But I think I had one too many drinks,
so my cadence was off . And I was

651
00:28:49,794 --> 00:28:51,489
like, you lost yourself in this.

652
00:28:51,609 --> 00:28:52,009
I lost myself.

653
00:28:52,029 --> 00:28:52,249
Yes.

654
00:28:52,309 --> 00:28:53,274
In this, I love

655
00:28:53,274 --> 00:28:53,604
this.

656
00:28:53,609 --> 00:28:55,764
Now, is there a text
chain with the hearts?

657
00:28:55,769 --> 00:28:58,824
Because we've heard, you know, with
some of the other suits, they really

658
00:28:58,824 --> 00:29:01,404
can't get enough of each other in
random facts and sharing and all that.

659
00:29:01,404 --> 00:29:01,584
Are you

660
00:29:01,589 --> 00:29:02,544
guys doing a text change?

661
00:29:02,544 --> 00:29:02,694
Yeah.

662
00:29:02,694 --> 00:29:02,934
Yeah.

663
00:29:02,934 --> 00:29:04,554
We have a, we have a WhatsApp group going.

664
00:29:04,554 --> 00:29:05,484
It's going strong.

665
00:29:05,484 --> 00:29:08,394
We shoot each other random
facts and actually, um.

666
00:29:08,929 --> 00:29:13,189
Julia and I played, uh, Trivia with
her husband right after we finished

667
00:29:13,189 --> 00:29:16,459
the tournament and the three of
us managed to get all questions

668
00:29:16,459 --> 00:29:21,089
right and beat, you know, four or
five teams of like That's awesome.

669
00:29:21,099 --> 00:29:21,189
Do

670
00:29:21,189 --> 00:29:24,759
you think you're going to have
anyone in your cheering section

671
00:29:24,769 --> 00:29:26,649
from the hearts come TOC time?

672
00:29:26,879 --> 00:29:28,189
I would love to have anybody.

673
00:29:28,209 --> 00:29:31,209
Cause I'm pretty sure my
husband is going to be working.

674
00:29:31,779 --> 00:29:34,279
I usually go through these things like
solo, you know, I'm kind of like, uh,

675
00:29:34,379 --> 00:29:36,549
the gunslinger wandering around alone.

676
00:29:37,829 --> 00:29:39,169
So I would love to have.

677
00:29:40,149 --> 00:29:40,919
Well, speaking

678
00:29:40,919 --> 00:29:46,179
of, uh, apparently karaoke king, Andrew
shaken, uh, you faced him and Garrett

679
00:29:46,179 --> 00:29:50,939
Marcott in your semifinal surprise,
surprise, another come from behind win

680
00:29:50,939 --> 00:29:52,959
in this game, what is going on with you?

681
00:29:52,959 --> 00:29:55,599
Well, you know, you got to keep
us on the edge of our seat and

682
00:29:55,599 --> 00:29:57,049
come back in the final moment.

683
00:29:57,385 --> 00:29:59,495
Yeah, I, uh, that game, I

684
00:29:59,495 --> 00:30:04,025
remember This was your Southwest Airlines
response for people that may not remember,

685
00:30:04,035 --> 00:30:07,875
and I think you should have a lifetime,
you know, free flights or something.

686
00:30:08,175 --> 00:30:08,285
At

687

00:30:08,285 --> 00:30:09,385
least free peanuts.

688

00:30:09,565 --> 00:30:12,525
At least give me like an A, like,
boarding pass assignment, right?

689

00:30:12,545 --> 00:30:12,885
Like A.

690

00:30:12,885 --> 00:30:13,705
Guaranteed A.

691

00:30:13,875 --> 00:30:14,285
Yeah.

692

00:30:14,315 --> 00:30:15,855
Guaranteed A for Southwest.

693

00:30:15,895 --> 00:30:20,445
Um, I, all I remember in that game was,
I remember Andrew getting that Last

694

00:30:20,445 --> 00:30:25,075
daily double and jumping to a huge lead
and I was like, okay, well, I think it

695

00:30:25,075 --> 00:30:29,725
was like there were four or five 2, 000
questions left and I just had to get them

696

00:30:29,725 --> 00:30:33,895
all or at least most of them in order to
even have a shot at Avoiding a runaway.

697

00:30:34,425 --> 00:30:37,565
So I was just attacking attacking
attacking and I kind of went into like

698

00:30:37,595 --> 00:30:42,130
a Taoist zone I was like, okay follow
the way Whatever will happen will

699
00:30:42,130 --> 00:30:44,740
happen and just, just go with the flow.

700
00:30:44,820 --> 00:30:50,950
So I, I did, and I managed to stave
off a runaway and I think the final

701
00:30:50,950 --> 00:30:54,580
jeopardy category was business, which
is not normally something I would know,

702
00:30:54,700 --> 00:30:59,640
but it turns out it's the one business
area I do know, which is airlines.

703
00:30:59,710 --> 00:31:04,200
I was like, okay, well, Yungsheng, your
gut instinct is it's Southwest, but let's

704
00:31:04,200 --> 00:31:07,930
think about this for a second before you,
you know, Um, cause you don't want to make

705
00:31:07,930 --> 00:31:10,299
a mistake again, learning from my past.

706
00:31:10,300 --> 00:31:12,180
Um, so I was like, okay,
well, it's not Delta.

707
00:31:12,210 --> 00:31:12,910
That's an old one.

708
00:31:12,920 --> 00:31:13,800
It's not United.

709
00:31:13,960 --> 00:31:14,720
It's not continental.

710
00:31:14,720 --> 00:31:15,560
That doesn't exist anymore.

711
00:31:15,570 --> 00:31:17,550
That was folded into
United when they merged.

712
00:31:18,075 --> 00:31:21,175
Um, it's not American and the
fourth biggest is Southwest.

713
00:31:21,195 --> 00:31:23,765
It's not Alaska because they,
they're, they're not that big.

714
00:31:23,835 --> 00:31:25,005
Southwest is much bigger.

715
00:31:25,045 --> 00:31:26,075
So it's gotta be Southwest.

716
00:31:26,075 --> 00:31:26,345
Okay.

717
00:31:26,345 --> 00:31:27,135
Process simulation.

718
00:31:27,135 --> 00:31:27,805
I reasoned it out.

719
00:31:27,805 --> 00:31:28,995
Let's, let's, let's go with that.

720
00:31:29,165 --> 00:31:30,765
Uh, uh, yeah, that, that
was, that was crazy.

721
00:31:30,785 --> 00:31:33,785
That was by far the most exciting
game and most exciting thing I've

722
00:31:33,835 --> 00:31:35,455
experienced on, on a Jeopardy!

723
00:31:35,455 --> 00:31:35,905
stage.

724
00:31:36,035 --> 00:31:36,235
So

725
00:31:36,235 --> 00:31:38,725
then you head in, you've got
another come from behind win.

726
00:31:38,725 --> 00:31:40,735
You were the only one who was
correct in that final Jeopardy!

727
00:31:40,745 --> 00:31:42,165
And you come into the finals.

728
00:31:42,165 --> 00:31:46,055
The two game total point of fair
going up against Tyler Vandenberg.

729
00:31:46,460 --> 00:31:50,790
And Gary Hollis, how are you feeling,
you know, after your first two games

730
00:31:50,790 --> 00:31:52,110
and what's your mindset heading

731
00:31:52,110 --> 00:31:52,310
in?

732
00:31:52,370 --> 00:31:54,230
I was like, just excited
to be in the finals.

733
00:31:54,230 --> 00:31:58,380
I was like, okay, you know, worst case
scenario, I get to play two more times.

734
00:31:59,010 --> 00:31:59,680
That's amazing.

735
00:31:59,850 --> 00:32:00,710
Everything else is gravy.

736
00:32:00,720 --> 00:32:02,150
Like, this is just, you know, fun.

737
00:32:02,210 --> 00:32:05,860
I was just going in there like, I know
a lot of stuff, but let's just focus

738
00:32:05,860 --> 00:32:07,430
on, on buzzing in this time around.

739
00:32:07,430 --> 00:32:10,460
And let's, let's not do the whole
last syllable cadence thing.

740
00:32:10,470 --> 00:32:11,470
Let's just focus on lights.

741
00:32:11,470 --> 00:32:12,470
That worked for you before.

742
00:32:12,590 --> 00:32:14,030
And it turns out it worked for me again.

743
00:32:14,100 --> 00:32:14,290
Well,

744
00:32:14,290 --> 00:32:14,520
right.

745
00:32:14,530 --> 00:32:18,100
Despite not finding any of the Daily
Doubles in that game one final,

746
00:32:18,100 --> 00:32:21,380
Gary finds all three of them, but
you managed to really target those

747
00:32:21,380 --> 00:32:25,610

high value clues and you head in
to Final Jeopardy with the lead.

748

00:32:25,620 --> 00:32:27,040

But for the first time.

749

00:32:28,170 --> 00:32:30,680

Unable to come up with the correct

750

00:32:30,680 --> 00:32:31,460

response.

751

00:32:31,510 --> 00:32:35,320

And now that I, I was like,
ugh, of course it's bull moose.

752

00:32:35,400 --> 00:32:38,280

I was like, it's like, oh, come
on Jeopardy, you got me there.

753

00:32:38,280 --> 00:32:42,040

I was like, I know this answer, but I
just couldn't come up with an animal.

754

00:32:42,080 --> 00:32:43,320

I was like, is it a camel?

755

00:32:43,330 --> 00:32:45,630

Like, what kind of animal
are they talking about?

756

00:32:45,680 --> 00:32:47,330

But then Tyler got it and I was like, ah.

757

00:32:47,490 --> 00:32:48,220

It was the first game.

758

00:32:48,220 --> 00:32:51,320

So I was like, okay, well, I'm going
to like risk a lot because I think I

759

00:32:51,320 --> 00:32:54,270

would, I would get found in jeopardy,
but luckily I didn't risk that much.

760

00:32:54,280 --> 00:32:56,320

So I would still be in
contention going into the second

761

00:32:56,320 --> 00:32:56,350

game.

762

00:32:56,410 --> 00:33:01,410

And as we recapped these games on the
edge of our seat, I was like, if anybody

763

00:33:01,450 --> 00:33:04,110

can pull the come from behind win.

764

00:33:04,120 --> 00:33:05,270

Heading into day two.

765

00:33:05,320 --> 00:33:07,380

And one thing I talked about
was that you talked about how

766

00:33:07,380 --> 00:33:09,490

in your job you lose a lot.

767

00:33:09,620 --> 00:33:09,880

Yeah.

768

00:33:09,920 --> 00:33:15,310

And I have a theory that that actually
makes it easier for you to face.

769

00:33:15,870 --> 00:33:20,250

Some difficult, you know, adversity
and still stay focused and do

770

00:33:20,250 --> 00:33:22,330

what you need to do show up like

771

00:33:22,330 --> 00:33:22,990

nothing happened.

772

00:33:23,000 --> 00:33:23,270

Oh, yeah.

773

00:33:23,270 --> 00:33:23,480

Yeah.

774

00:33:23,740 --> 00:33:24,480

Yeah, absolutely.

775

00:33:24,520 --> 00:33:28,610

Um, yeah, every day as a public offender,
you know, you're you're faced with,

776

00:33:28,690 --> 00:33:31,270

you know, hostile da's hostile judges.

777

00:33:31,690 --> 00:33:33,300

People aren't sympathetic to your clients.

778

00:33:33,390 --> 00:33:34,410

You do your best.

779

00:33:34,430 --> 00:33:39,380

And every day you may, you know, lose, but
then you redefine what it means to win and

780

00:33:39,380 --> 00:33:41,400

going into like never expecting to win.

781

00:33:41,660 --> 00:33:46,820

I think it, it, it saves you from,
uh, the pressure of performing.

782

00:33:47,270 --> 00:33:50,990

So you just go in and do the best you can.

783

00:33:51,070 --> 00:33:53,220

And, you know, sometimes the spirit of.

784

00:33:53,725 --> 00:33:56,865
Uh, whatever thing you're channeling
just takes over and then you just

785
00:33:56,865 --> 00:34:00,135
perform and then you, you don't have any
pressure, so I, I think it, it does help.

786
00:34:00,705 --> 00:34:00,905
Well,

787
00:34:00,915 --> 00:34:04,685
heading into game two, the daily
doubles did go your way in this game.

788
00:34:04,685 --> 00:34:05,515
Finally found one.

789
00:34:05,645 --> 00:34:08,365
You know, you get the first one
in Double Jeopardy, you declare,

790
00:34:08,495 --> 00:34:10,025
Scared money don't make money!

791
00:34:10,025 --> 00:34:14,185
So you go big there, then you follow
it up with a 10, 000 daily double,

792
00:34:14,545 --> 00:34:17,555
and it doesn't even matter what
happens in Final Jeopardy, you've

793
00:34:17,555 --> 00:34:22,005
locked this thing up before we
even head into final of game two.

794
00:34:22,585 --> 00:34:23,415
How are you feeling?

795
00:34:23,425 --> 00:34:27,355
Did you realize, at what point did
you know, I'm going to the TOC?

796

00:34:27,465 --> 00:34:30,815

I did not realize that until
I started doing the math.

797

00:34:31,175 --> 00:34:35,045

Um, and I was like, Oh, holy expletive.

798

00:34:35,315 --> 00:34:38,705

I don't think they can catch me,
but let me just do my math again.

799

00:34:38,765 --> 00:34:39,725

And I kept mouthing myself.

800

00:34:39,725 --> 00:34:41,475

I was like, Oh, Oh, Oh, Oh.

801

00:34:41,515 --> 00:34:45,235

And then like, I started
having this like gag reflex.

802

00:34:45,235 --> 00:34:48,985

I was like, okay, I think I had
too much caffeine during lunchtime.

803

00:34:48,985 --> 00:34:52,275

Cause like my, my go to is usually
like, Some kind of lean protein,

804

00:34:52,275 --> 00:34:54,265

vegetable, and like, a lot of caffeine.

805

00:34:54,835 --> 00:34:56,025

Am I going to throw up on stage?

806

00:34:56,135 --> 00:34:56,627

Oh, okay.

807

00:34:56,627 --> 00:34:58,253

I better not throw up on stage.

808
00:34:58,253 --> 00:34:59,415
Because that would be bad.

809
00:34:59,415 --> 00:34:59,880
Has that

810
00:34:59,880 --> 00:35:00,344
happened, Sarah?

811
00:35:00,345 --> 00:35:01,805
I don't remember that happening, no.

812
00:35:02,145 --> 00:35:03,355
We've had some people
feel pretty nauseous.

813
00:35:03,845 --> 00:35:04,125
You

814
00:35:04,125 --> 00:35:06,665
could be another, like, you
could hold another record.

815
00:35:06,665 --> 00:35:06,975
Yeah,

816
00:35:07,185 --> 00:35:07,535
we would definitely

817
00:35:07,535 --> 00:35:08,615
have to give out an award for that.

818
00:35:10,135 --> 00:35:11,595
Well, you teased it a little bit.

819
00:35:11,675 --> 00:35:11,855
Yes!

820
00:35:12,325 --> 00:35:15,095
If you are a listener to the program,
which I'm just going to go ahead and

821

00:35:15,095 --> 00:35:18,245
assume you are, I like to find out
what our players lunch orders are.

822

00:35:18,465 --> 00:35:19,605
When they are here at the Alex

823

00:35:19,615 --> 00:35:23,845
Trebek stage, I tend to go with
like whatever, uh, kind of hot,

824

00:35:24,465 --> 00:35:26,275
like protein lunch special there is.

825

00:35:26,435 --> 00:35:29,745
So I usually get like a double protein
order plus like vegetables, no, no carbs.

826

00:35:29,775 --> 00:35:32,445
Cause I don't want to
feel sleepy or sluggish.

827

00:35:32,495 --> 00:35:35,265
And then because I am a
Slytherin, I tend to like.

828

00:35:35,885 --> 00:35:37,695
Think about getting value added stuff.

829

00:35:37,725 --> 00:35:40,245
I get, like, a couple snacks
for later on, like some beef

830

00:35:40,245 --> 00:35:42,555
jerky, some, like, protein items.

831

00:35:42,565 --> 00:35:43,355
The Archer.

832

00:35:43,425 --> 00:35:44,415
The Archer jerky.

833
00:35:44,415 --> 00:35:45,425
We have nothing but the best.

834
00:35:46,075 --> 00:35:46,715
So good.

835
00:35:47,235 --> 00:35:47,565
So good.

836
00:35:47,565 --> 00:35:47,755
Yeah.

837
00:35:48,485 --> 00:35:49,705
Low sugar on that one.

838
00:35:49,725 --> 00:35:49,935
Yeah.

839
00:35:49,945 --> 00:35:50,555
Really high quality.

840
00:35:50,745 --> 00:35:55,265
And then, uh, a couple of energy drinks
for later on in case I need to, you know,

841
00:35:55,405 --> 00:35:59,165
be on my most, um, active, or Activated.

842
00:35:59,225 --> 00:35:59,815
Activated phase.

843
00:36:01,035 --> 00:36:06,085
Um, my other question that I like asking
everybody is, is there a Jeopardy stat?

844
00:36:06,925 --> 00:36:09,445
Uh, from your time that
you are most proud of.

845
00:36:09,515 --> 00:36:11,885

I think in one of the categories
it was like, was it like

846

00:36:11,895 --> 00:36:13,715
rearranging like phrases?

847

00:36:13,825 --> 00:36:14,905
A proverbial mess.

848

00:36:14,925 --> 00:36:15,745
Yeah, yeah.

849

00:36:15,745 --> 00:36:16,715
A proverbial mess.

850

00:36:16,745 --> 00:36:17,505
Okay, that was it.

851

00:36:17,525 --> 00:36:18,625
I think I ran that category.

852

00:36:18,685 --> 00:36:19,615
And I was like, wow.

853

00:36:19,685 --> 00:36:22,465
I like, I finally got a chance
to run a, to run a category.

854

00:36:22,665 --> 00:36:25,035
And that's like a, a
stat that most Jeopardy!

855

00:36:25,035 --> 00:36:27,925
players would like, love to, um, have.

856

00:36:27,935 --> 00:36:30,745
Because a lot of times you know the
answers, you're just like, someone

857

00:36:30,745 --> 00:36:31,805
just beats you to the buzzer.

858
00:36:32,245 --> 00:36:36,075
Um, but in this case, all the stars
managed to align for me on that category.

859
00:36:36,275 --> 00:36:38,355
Well, Youngsheng is there a highlight?

860
00:36:38,985 --> 00:36:42,105
We know that's your favorite stat,
but you've now been with us, you know,

861
00:36:42,255 --> 00:36:44,705
several games on the Alex Trebek stage.

862
00:36:44,715 --> 00:36:46,715
Any highlight that stands out among them?

863
00:36:47,335 --> 00:36:49,965
Um, all the games where
I just came from behind.

864
00:36:50,105 --> 00:36:53,485
Looking back on it, like watching it
again, it's like, oh, that's really crazy.

865
00:36:53,485 --> 00:36:59,370
Like, you were behind and then you managed
to pull off a A Hail Mary victory somehow.

866
00:36:59,470 --> 00:37:02,450
So all those are just really highlights
for me and just being with all the

867
00:37:02,450 --> 00:37:06,800
contestants, all the staff hanging out
backstage, such amazing people working

868
00:37:06,800 --> 00:37:08,850
at Jeopardy and such amazing contestants.

869
00:37:09,040 --> 00:37:09,410
So

870
00:37:09,450 --> 00:37:13,000
looking ahead now, you know,
you're coming for the TOC.

871
00:37:14,000 --> 00:37:15,170
How are you preparing?

872
00:37:15,170 --> 00:37:16,340
What have you changed?

873
00:37:16,340 --> 00:37:17,220
What's going on?

874
00:37:17,220 --> 00:37:19,870
How are, is there, are you
assembling your sort of.

875
00:37:20,295 --> 00:37:22,235
Boot camp, prep team, talk to

876
00:37:22,235 --> 00:37:22,475
me.

877
00:37:22,935 --> 00:37:26,525
Uh, okay, so, I'm taking a
little break for the holidays,

878
00:37:26,905 --> 00:37:28,255
but I think Well deserved.

879
00:37:28,685 --> 00:37:32,235
Back in January, I'm also brushing
up on what I should know, and

880
00:37:32,235 --> 00:37:33,965
also some of my weak areas.

881
00:37:33,975 --> 00:37:37,765
So, there's like a list of
like AFI top 100 movies.

882

00:37:37,905 --> 00:37:40,745

I'm gonna try to watch them
all by the Turner Champions.

883

00:37:41,065 --> 00:37:44,245

And like, look at, you know,
directors, actors, awards.

884

00:37:44,295 --> 00:37:50,475

And I think just, uh, a lot of survey
courses, as much as I can on various.

885

00:37:50,655 --> 00:37:53,855

Topics that I'm good at, but I just want
to make sure that I'm on top of them.

886

00:37:53,965 --> 00:37:58,905

That's going to help me in the long run
because a lot of times I just, like I

887

00:37:58,905 --> 00:38:03,905

said, I, I, I buzz in and I react on gut
instinct and just blurt something out.

888

00:38:04,285 --> 00:38:08,605

I need to like just brush up on what
I know to make sure that the right

889

00:38:08,605 --> 00:38:10,645

answer comes out, not the wrong answer.

890

00:38:10,725 --> 00:38:14,925

And then just, um, going back and,
and looking at kind of the topics.

891

00:38:15,410 --> 00:38:20,180

And the TOC that I've been covered before
and since I think would, would also help.

892

00:38:20,320 --> 00:38:24,570

Um, yeah, I'm more of a, um, you can
tell I'm more of a random person.

893

00:38:24,780 --> 00:38:27,180

The more chaos there is,
the better it is for me.

894

00:38:27,280 --> 00:38:31,000

I tend to be able to take chaos
and just turn that into order.

895

00:38:31,000 --> 00:38:35,390

So the, the more chaotic my studying, uh,
I think the better I'll, I'll try to do.

896

00:38:35,790 --> 00:38:36,870

Well, I like it.

897

00:38:37,140 --> 00:38:41,180

Looks like you have a lot of work ahead
of you, but one thing we are guaranteed

898

00:38:41,200 --> 00:38:46,890

is we're going to see fun, exciting,
great gameplay from Youngsheng Wang.

899

00:38:46,910 --> 00:38:50,210

You're such a joy to watch on
the stage and we can't wait to

900

00:38:50,310 --> 00:38:51,830

see you back here for the TOC.

901

00:38:52,095 --> 00:38:52,915

Thank you so much.

902

00:38:52,945 --> 00:38:56,205

And I will have some new bow
ties, maybe some new suits.

903

00:38:56,715 --> 00:38:58,905

Maybe if they'll let me,
I'll, uh, I'll wear a tuxedo.

904

00:38:59,805 --> 00:39:00,345

Whatever you want.

905

00:39:00,345 --> 00:39:01,585

We'll let you wear a tux.

906

00:39:01,715 --> 00:39:01,925

All right.

907

00:39:01,925 --> 00:39:03,505

I love, I love a smoking jacket.

908

00:39:03,515 --> 00:39:04,415

I love a tux.

909

00:39:04,835 --> 00:39:07,765

Uh, we want to wish you the
happiest of holidays and we will

910

00:39:07,825 --> 00:39:10,855

be seeing you in the TOC in 2024.

911

00:39:10,975 --> 00:39:11,605

Good luck.

912

00:39:11,705 --> 00:39:12,125

Same to you.

913

00:39:12,135 --> 00:39:13,455

Thank you so much for joining us.

914

00:39:13,735 --> 00:39:14,125

Hi.

915

00:39:15,225 --> 00:39:16,965

Can't wait to watch him in the TOC.

916

00:39:17,005 --> 00:39:17,515

I'm there.

917

00:39:17,585 --> 00:39:19,485

All right, well that

wraps up today's show.

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00:39:19,485 --> 00:39:23,305

We're going to be back in the new year
for more Second Chance Game Highlights.

919

00:39:23,315 --> 00:39:26,325

Plus, we are going to speak all
the way from Germany with our

920

00:39:26,325 --> 00:39:28,765

champions wildcard finalist Tyler

921

00:39:28,765 --> 00:39:29,225

Vandenberg.

922

00:39:29,335 --> 00:39:30,245

I can't wait.

923

00:39:30,475 --> 00:39:33,865

I really want to wish everyone a
happy holiday, a happy new year.

924

00:39:34,225 --> 00:39:37,655

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00:39:37,655 --> 00:39:40,975

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on YouTube, on TikTok, on Twitter.

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00:39:41,485 --> 00:39:42,725

And we will see you all

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00:39:43,075 --> 00:39:43,605

in 2024.

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00:39:43,605 --> 00:39:44,995

See you next year!