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00:00:00,270 --> 00:00:07,790
From the Alex Trebek stage at Sony
Pictures Studios, this is Inside Jeopardy.

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00:00:08,500 --> 00:00:10,020
Ah, Johnny.

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00:00:10,760 --> 00:00:12,699
Guitar Gilbert on the axe.

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00:00:13,289 --> 00:00:16,960
Uh, welcoming us, welcome all of you
back to Inside Jeopardy, your exclusive

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00:00:16,960 --> 00:00:20,990
and official podcast destination for all
things happening in the world of Jeopardy.

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00:00:20,990 --> 00:00:21,630
I'm Michael Davies.

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00:00:21,630 --> 00:00:23,640
Join today, as always.

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00:00:25,225 --> 00:00:25,635
Yes.

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00:00:25,735 --> 00:00:29,015
I've been here for all 90 something
podcasts we've done, Michael.

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00:00:29,015 --> 00:00:29,295
You've never

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00:00:29,295 --> 00:00:29,785
missed one.

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00:00:29,835 --> 00:00:31,005
Not a single one.

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00:00:31,005 --> 00:00:31,214

You've never missed

14
00:00:31,214 --> 00:00:31,284
one.

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00:00:31,365 --> 00:00:32,375
Yeah, that's dedication.

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00:00:32,384 --> 00:00:32,775
I like it.

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00:00:32,775 --> 00:00:34,765
It's the kind of dedication
I bring to this show.

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00:00:34,785 --> 00:00:35,434
I like it.

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00:00:35,435 --> 00:00:35,660
And this

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00:00:35,660 --> 00:00:35,774
pod.

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00:00:36,555 --> 00:00:37,144
How we doing?

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00:00:37,444 --> 00:00:39,254
Well, you know, we're doing.

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00:00:39,745 --> 00:00:40,015
Yeah.

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00:00:40,194 --> 00:00:42,774
We're still on two legs, so
that's impressive, because it's

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00:00:42,775 --> 00:00:44,075
been a busy few weeks here.

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00:00:44,415 --> 00:00:45,805

Obviously, we've just wrapped.

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00:00:46,340 --> 00:00:51,840

Masters, we won't give anything away, but
JPT as you call it, we're through Masters.

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00:00:51,890 --> 00:00:52,200

Yeah,

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00:00:52,230 --> 00:00:52,610

we are.

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00:00:52,660 --> 00:00:56,220

As Sarah has been teasing me before
this, I'm still not changed out

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00:00:56,220 --> 00:00:57,509

of my gym clothes in this morning.

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00:00:57,510 --> 00:01:01,679

I went running, came to work,
thought I'll go to the gym, I will

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00:01:01,779 --> 00:01:04,090

shower there downstairs at Sony.

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00:01:04,390 --> 00:01:05,884

Uh, I haven't made it.

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00:01:06,055 --> 00:01:07,315

To the gym or the shower.

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00:01:07,315 --> 00:01:11,765

I apologize both to you, Sarah, to, uh,
producers Alexa and Carlos, uh, for,

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00:01:11,865 --> 00:01:13,565

for coming here so poorly dressed and

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00:01:13,825 --> 00:01:14,285

It's okay.

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00:01:14,285 --> 00:01:15,705
We're, we're admiring your tan.

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00:01:15,705 --> 00:01:16,194
Okay, good.

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00:01:16,194 --> 00:01:16,904
I'm always tan.

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00:01:16,935 --> 00:01:17,265
Yep.

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00:01:17,335 --> 00:01:17,415
Tan legs.

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00:01:17,484 --> 00:01:18,204
Uh, I am tan.

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00:01:18,285 --> 00:01:18,754
And this site

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00:01:18,755 --> 00:01:19,485
And, you know, you don't smell.

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00:01:19,604 --> 00:01:22,735
It does occur to me that this
is the first Inside Jeopardy!

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00:01:22,825 --> 00:01:23,565
podcast.

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00:01:24,125 --> 00:01:26,665
in what for me is the
post Men in Blazers era.

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00:01:26,815 --> 00:01:28,175
I'm still going, well, not post.

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00:01:28,185 --> 00:01:31,725
I'm still sort of, sort of involved
with Men in Blazers, post my

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00:01:31,735 --> 00:01:33,865
announcement that I'm not going
to be on Men in Blazers anymore.

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00:01:34,075 --> 00:01:36,914
The bad news for all of you
out there in Inside Jeopardy!

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00:01:36,914 --> 00:01:41,305
world, and for you, Sarah, is that
it means that I will be, uh, there

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00:01:41,305 --> 00:01:43,505
will be more Devo on Inside Jeopardy!

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00:01:43,545 --> 00:01:46,955
I will be, uh, available to
do this podcast more often.

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00:01:47,134 --> 00:01:47,604
I love that.

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00:01:48,195 --> 00:01:48,675
And you're just going

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00:01:48,675 --> 00:01:49,155
extreme.

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00:01:49,155 --> 00:01:50,914
You're going from Blazer to gym clothes.

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00:01:50,925 --> 00:01:51,795
Yes, exactly.

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00:01:51,795 --> 00:01:51,814
Exactly.

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00:01:52,995 --> 00:01:53,774
It's got to be different.

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00:01:53,995 --> 00:01:58,225
It's so funny because, uh, a friend
of mine asked me immediately, uh, if I

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00:01:58,225 --> 00:02:00,024
would do another soccer podcast with him.

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00:02:00,024 --> 00:02:01,454
And I'm still involved in Men In Blazers.

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00:02:01,454 --> 00:02:02,994
I'm not going to do
another soccer podcast.

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00:02:02,994 --> 00:02:06,094
I said, look, I'll podcast about
anything other than soccer.

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00:02:06,304 --> 00:02:09,475
And he pitched me back a title for a new
podcast, which really did make me laugh.

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00:02:09,475 --> 00:02:12,325
It's called Everything But The
Goal, which is where we talk

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00:02:12,335 --> 00:02:13,425
about everything but soccer.

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00:02:14,005 --> 00:02:14,524
I like it.

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00:02:14,524 --> 00:02:14,785
There you

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00:02:14,785 --> 00:02:15,065
go.

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00:02:15,315 --> 00:02:15,755
Well.

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00:02:15,804 --> 00:02:17,625

Even producer Alexa gave me
a little smile for that one.

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00:02:17,625 --> 00:02:17,855
We gave

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00:02:17,855 --> 00:02:18,494
you a little smile.

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00:02:18,505 --> 00:02:18,575
That's good.

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00:02:18,575 --> 00:02:21,914
There were a lot of comments
about you not being as involved.

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00:02:21,915 --> 00:02:21,924
Blazored.

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00:02:21,934 --> 00:02:22,424
Yeah.

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00:02:22,474 --> 00:02:22,904
Yeah.

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00:02:22,984 --> 00:02:24,575
It's such a big part of your history.

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00:02:24,625 --> 00:02:29,484
It's a major, look I've been writing
about football, soccer since 2002,

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00:02:29,824 --> 00:02:34,285
uh, podcasting since 2010, which
was the dark ages of podcasting.

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00:02:34,584 --> 00:02:37,165
Been in a writing and podcast
relationship with Roger now.

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00:02:37,349 --> 00:02:38,439
for 14 years.

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00:02:38,829 --> 00:02:41,249
Um, it's a long time to think
you've had two and a half

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00:02:41,249 --> 00:02:42,379
years to deal with me, Sarah.

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00:02:42,379 --> 00:02:44,399
Can you imagine what
14 years would be like?

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00:02:44,749 --> 00:02:46,799
And so, yeah, it's been
a huge part of my life.

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00:02:47,059 --> 00:02:49,670
Um, I'm very grateful for all of it.

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00:02:49,689 --> 00:02:53,289
Uh, I'm excited to, this gives me
more time to dive into jeopardy.

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00:02:53,599 --> 00:02:56,399
Good morning football, you
know, Andy Cohen, a few of the

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00:02:56,399 --> 00:02:57,559
other shows that I produce.

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00:02:57,859 --> 00:03:02,260
Um, but jeopardy is, um, Jeopardy!

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00:03:02,310 --> 00:03:04,180
is, uh, all involving.

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00:03:04,180 --> 00:03:07,890
I had to change my official
residence today to Los Angeles,

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00:03:08,260 --> 00:03:09,789
so I now officially live here.

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00:03:09,789 --> 00:03:12,320
I officially, for Sony, work
here, not in the crap part of

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00:03:12,320 --> 00:03:13,949
Soho and Embassy Row in New York.

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00:03:14,130 --> 00:03:17,409
So yeah, I'm a California,
I'm a California resident now.

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00:03:17,619 --> 00:03:20,500
Well, I love the idea of
having more of you on the pod.

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00:03:20,720 --> 00:03:23,550
It gives us more opportunities to
talk about things that we want to

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00:03:23,590 --> 00:03:27,820
discuss amongst ourselves and also
among our listeners and, you know,

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00:03:28,220 --> 00:03:29,370
I have something I want to bring up.

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00:03:29,449 --> 00:03:29,880
Okay, go.

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00:03:30,570 --> 00:03:34,649
So last season, Champions Wildcard,
we announced it, first ever,

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00:03:34,649 --> 00:03:37,040
we're going to have this new
competition, Champions Wildcard.

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00:03:37,299 --> 00:03:39,320
If you won one game, you're coming back.

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00:03:39,320 --> 00:03:43,260

If you won two games, everyone who's won a game of Jeopardy is coming back.

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00:03:43,810 --> 00:03:45,700

And we ended up with more.

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00:03:46,090 --> 00:03:49,440

Qualifiers, if you will, then we could have anticipated more than we could even

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00:03:49,440 --> 00:03:51,990

fit into a regular tournament structure.

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00:03:51,990 --> 00:03:56,170

So we ended up doing those, those play in games that were on tune in.

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00:03:56,700 --> 00:04:01,939

And so now we're getting into a new season where we're doing regular Jeopardy again.

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00:04:01,950 --> 00:04:07,370

And I just am wondering if we want to approach Champions Wildcard the same way.

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00:04:07,380 --> 00:04:12,400

Does everyone get a chance or is it among our champions?

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00:04:12,400 --> 00:04:14,480

You could be invited to Champions Wildcard.

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00:04:14,690 --> 00:04:19,429

I'm sure, uh, that many listeners to this podcast, many super fans of Jeopardy

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00:04:19,469 --> 00:04:24,239

do not want to start talking now about another tournament or about the postseason

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00:04:25,540 --> 00:04:30,819

when we're just at a moment when we are

going to have so many weeks, uh, months,

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00:04:30,819 --> 00:04:35,705

uh, Seasons of regular Jeopardy before we get back into the postseason, but it does

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00:04:35,705 --> 00:04:40,815

raise an interesting question as we're starting to see some multi day champions.

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00:04:40,914 --> 00:04:42,724

We've seen one day champions this season.

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00:04:42,784 --> 00:04:46,054

Are all of the one day champions, I think you're asking, looking

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00:04:46,055 --> 00:04:49,635

at me, going to make it into Champions Wildcard next season?

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00:04:49,635 --> 00:04:52,275

Whether that's on TV or through a play in game.

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00:04:52,575 --> 00:04:54,965

We did it on TuneIn last time that Buzzy hosted.

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00:04:55,295 --> 00:04:57,235

Um, great question.

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00:04:57,965 --> 00:04:58,965

I don't actually know yet.

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00:04:59,135 --> 00:04:59,535

I know.

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00:04:59,605 --> 00:05:04,044

I feel like the postseason should be, and is going to be, shorter

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00:05:04,115 --> 00:05:05,765
in future years, naturally.

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00:05:06,515 --> 00:05:06,615
Absolutely.

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00:05:06,654 --> 00:05:13,245
Because we had a, an exigent season,
uh, last year with the added tournaments

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00:05:13,274 --> 00:05:16,744
because of the, uh, WGA, uh, strike.

139
00:05:17,094 --> 00:05:17,655
So, yeah.

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00:05:18,090 --> 00:05:19,049
We'll have to see.

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00:05:19,129 --> 00:05:23,080
Um, we don't have enough room on
television for all the champions, so

142
00:05:23,150 --> 00:05:25,789
it would mean, uh, doing them in audio.

143
00:05:25,939 --> 00:05:29,840
We're not quite sure about where our
audio deal is going to be in the future,

144
00:05:29,879 --> 00:05:31,049
so we're starting to talk about it.

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00:05:31,349 --> 00:05:33,349
But yeah, that's something which
we're going to have to figure out.

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00:05:33,379 --> 00:05:41,094
I think you know what's That my
proclivity, my, um, my, uh, my

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00:05:41,114 --> 00:05:44,635

tendency is towards keeping Champions
Wildcard the way it is and having

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00:05:44,664 --> 00:05:46,244
everybody have a chance to go and play.

149
00:05:46,585 --> 00:05:47,914
But it just may not be possible.

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00:05:47,914 --> 00:05:50,984
We're going to need a, a, a deal
to be able to broadcast those.

151
00:05:51,324 --> 00:05:53,744
Well, and I guess that's kind of
what I wanted to put out there.

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00:05:53,744 --> 00:05:57,514
Because I've heard chatter, even
among our single game champions, and

153
00:05:57,514 --> 00:06:01,410
I just want to put it out there that
we are still, you know, evaluating

154
00:06:01,480 --> 00:06:03,450
how it works each and every season.

155
00:06:03,460 --> 00:06:05,740
We do know that all of the
postseason is going to be shorter.

156
00:06:06,060 --> 00:06:07,460
So we're just, we're looking at it.

157
00:06:07,500 --> 00:06:08,500
We're thinking about it.

158
00:06:08,550 --> 00:06:11,540
The good news is this is
mostly within our control.

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00:06:12,089 --> 00:06:15,830
Um, notwithstanding that we're
going to need some kind of audio

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00:06:15,830 --> 00:06:19,860
deal if we do play in episodes, uh,
again, but it is mostly within our

161
00:06:19,860 --> 00:06:21,370
control to, to, to figure it out.

162
00:06:21,470 --> 00:06:25,500
Mostly I want to figure the right
thing for, um, The show, a number

163
00:06:25,500 --> 00:06:29,060
of former contestants came to me and
said they love champions wildcard.

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00:06:29,060 --> 00:06:31,800
A number of former contestants said,
you know, they like second chance, but

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00:06:31,800 --> 00:06:34,010
champions wildcard, you know, what was it?

166
00:06:34,020 --> 00:06:35,449
Is it, is it the right thing?

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00:06:35,449 --> 00:06:36,259
Should it be the same length?

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00:06:36,280 --> 00:06:37,219
Should everybody get in?

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00:06:37,630 --> 00:06:41,159
And we're still evaluating all of
that stuff and thinking about it.

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00:06:41,340 --> 00:06:47,520
You know what I do, um, just want to
remind, you know, I know that our intense

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00:06:47,530 --> 00:06:51,579
fans know this, but to remind some more
of the casual fans who listen to this is

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00:06:51,579 --> 00:06:55,684
that we, You know, there's a difference
between what we do in syndication and

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00:06:55,684 --> 00:06:59,344
what we do in prime time, where we
have a network partner who says to

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00:06:59,344 --> 00:07:00,914
us, Hey, this is how we want it to be.

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00:07:00,914 --> 00:07:02,175
And they pass money.

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00:07:02,175 --> 00:07:06,015
They, they license these episodes and they
have a right to have, uh, to have input.

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00:07:06,085 --> 00:07:11,090
And so what we now do, the
extension celebrity, And,

178
00:07:11,210 --> 00:07:13,659
uh, masters that we make now.

179
00:07:13,880 --> 00:07:19,090
Um, and extensions that we may or
may not have coming up in the future.

180
00:07:19,440 --> 00:07:21,750
Uh, we don't have all of that
absolute control that we have

181
00:07:21,750 --> 00:07:23,290
over the syndicated episodes.

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00:07:23,780 --> 00:07:26,090
Well, if you have thoughts

about it, you know, feel free.

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00:07:26,414 --> 00:07:28,224
Inside Jeopardy podcast at gmail.

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00:07:28,224 --> 00:07:28,504
com.

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00:07:28,504 --> 00:07:29,645
We'll, we'll hear your thoughts.

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00:07:29,664 --> 00:07:32,395
You know, we want to know
what the fans want to know.

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00:07:32,544 --> 00:07:34,974
Yeah, we mentioned, we get a lot
of it on the Jeopardy Reddit.

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00:07:35,034 --> 00:07:35,525
We do.

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00:07:35,584 --> 00:07:36,574
We read a lot of that.

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00:07:36,574 --> 00:07:36,694
We

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00:07:36,694 --> 00:07:37,015
do.

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00:07:37,645 --> 00:07:42,335
Lots of good Reddit comments about
Masters, which did debut last week.

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00:07:42,544 --> 00:07:45,924
So we are of course going to share
those highlights a little later as

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00:07:45,924 --> 00:07:49,465
well as the highlights from regular
Jeopardy, Amy Hummel, securing

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00:07:49,474 --> 00:07:51,314
her spot in the upcoming TOC.

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00:07:51,314 --> 00:07:56,965
I just want to say if you look at the
TOC tracker right now, it's all women.

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00:07:57,340 --> 00:08:01,000
Three women, so far, have qualified
for the Tournament of Champions.

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00:08:01,040 --> 00:08:04,480
Lisa and Walter are Celebrity
Champion, of course, along with

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00:08:04,490 --> 00:08:06,280
Alison Betts and Amy Hummel.

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00:08:06,810 --> 00:08:10,450
I'd say we're off to a great
start for next season's TOC.

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00:08:10,460 --> 00:08:10,789
It's

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00:08:10,789 --> 00:08:11,380
very true.

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00:08:11,390 --> 00:08:12,459
I mean, Jeopardy!

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00:08:12,460 --> 00:08:15,129
has become female dominated,
and what a good thing.

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00:08:15,519 --> 00:08:17,890
We sat in our management
meeting today at Jeopardy!

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00:08:17,890 --> 00:08:21,125
where we have The, um, the

major producers of Jeopardy!

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00:08:21,155 --> 00:08:23,845
and the major executives
who work on Jeopardy!

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00:08:23,845 --> 00:08:28,224
uh, uh, across the game shows group
run by Suzanne Preddy at Sony.

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00:08:28,574 --> 00:08:33,605
And I had this moment when I'm, I'm,
I'm hearing a lively conversation

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00:08:33,614 --> 00:08:34,535
about everything going on.

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00:08:34,535 --> 00:08:37,584
I sit back in my chair and
I thought how wonderful that

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00:08:37,605 --> 00:08:38,965
I'm the only man in the room.

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00:08:39,319 --> 00:08:43,929
And also very aware that so many women
in that room have so often been the only

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00:08:43,929 --> 00:08:48,620
woman in rooms that they've sat in on
TV shows and in, in executive suites.

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00:08:49,069 --> 00:08:52,119
Jeopardy is, is becoming
increasingly and for the good

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00:08:52,119 --> 00:08:55,900
of jeopardy, a female dominated
brand on both sides of the camera.

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00:08:56,170 --> 00:08:58,849
The funny thing was, as you said
that, we all looked around as if

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00:08:58,869 --> 00:09:00,030
it hadn't dawned on all of us.

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00:09:00,040 --> 00:09:00,639
I know it hadn't.

220
00:09:00,640 --> 00:09:01,339
It dawned on

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00:09:01,339 --> 00:09:02,400
me and not on all of you.

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00:09:02,430 --> 00:09:04,489
You just, you just regarded it as normal.

223
00:09:04,499 --> 00:09:04,769
Yes.

224
00:09:05,540 --> 00:09:06,639
That's why things are going

225
00:09:06,639 --> 00:09:07,339
so well.

226
00:09:07,719 --> 00:09:11,099
Uh, well, before we get into the
games, let's take a look back at

227
00:09:11,099 --> 00:09:12,749
this week in Jeopardy history.

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00:09:12,750 --> 00:09:15,799
Here

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00:09:15,799 --> 00:09:20,429
are today's contestants.

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00:09:20,450 --> 00:09:25,320
A psychiatrist from Whitby,
Ontario, Canada, Jabaria Zahir.

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00:09:26,530 --> 00:09:30,289

An actuary from New York,
New York, Sammy Casanova.

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00:09:31,599 --> 00:09:35,430

And our returning champion, a
data scientist from Chicago,

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00:09:35,430 --> 00:09:37,100

Illinois, Hannah Wilson.

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00:09:37,670 --> 00:09:43,440

Who's three day cash
winnings total 90, 601.

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00:09:45,760 --> 00:09:49,579

It was during this week, just last year
on May 8th, when Hannah Wilson competed

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00:09:49,599 --> 00:09:52,499

in her fourth game against Juveria Zahir.

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00:09:52,500 --> 00:09:55,080

At that point, Hannah had really
proven to be a pretty dominant

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00:09:55,080 --> 00:09:56,894

player, but then Juveria Zahir.

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00:09:57,085 --> 00:10:00,095

Gave Hannah a run for her money
heading into final with an impressive

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00:10:00,095 --> 00:10:03,605

17, 000 to Hannah's 21, 200.

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00:10:03,865 --> 00:10:06,885

Juveria goes all in, which we
would later know would be her

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00:10:06,885 --> 00:10:09,095

style in final was incorrect.

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00:10:09,335 --> 00:10:12,495

Hannah goes on to become
a nine game champion.

244

00:10:12,864 --> 00:10:14,004

We saw Juveria again.

245

00:10:14,004 --> 00:10:15,855

Of course, she came back in second chance.

246

00:10:15,915 --> 00:10:16,715

She won that.

247

00:10:16,935 --> 00:10:18,395

She won champions wildcard.

248

00:10:18,565 --> 00:10:23,055

She joined Hannah again in that
very, very competitive TOC strong

249

00:10:23,055 --> 00:10:24,784

performances for both of them.

250

00:10:24,885 --> 00:10:29,275

In the quarterfinal games, although
unable to advance to the semifinals,

251

00:10:29,655 --> 00:10:33,905

certainly two players that I know fans
were very excited to see back on the

252

00:10:33,915 --> 00:10:35,704

Alex Trebek stage during that TOC.

253

00:10:35,925 --> 00:10:36,194

Yeah.

254

00:10:36,364 --> 00:10:37,795

And we hope to see them
again, even though.

255
00:10:38,144 --> 00:10:42,364
I'm sure Sarah is already, we've already
started, we promised that we're only

256
00:10:42,364 --> 00:10:43,454
focusing on the regular episodes.

257
00:10:43,664 --> 00:10:45,994
We've already started to talk
about the Jit field for next year.

258
00:10:46,055 --> 00:10:47,114
Yeah, it's big,

259
00:10:47,144 --> 00:10:47,644
it's bold.

260
00:10:47,654 --> 00:10:48,074
Yeah.

261
00:10:48,094 --> 00:10:48,494
It's good.

262
00:10:48,794 --> 00:10:52,214
Alright, well let's kick off our
highlights for the week of Jeopardy!

263
00:10:52,214 --> 00:10:52,944
Masters.

264
00:10:52,954 --> 00:10:56,605
First up Returning Masters Mateo
Roach and Matt Amodio faced off

265
00:10:56,625 --> 00:10:58,435
against newcomer Victoria Gross.

266
00:10:58,905 --> 00:11:02,245
It was a pretty evenly matched Jeopardy
round, but then Victoria just went

267
00:11:02,255 --> 00:11:06,555
on a tear in double Jeopardy, finding
both daily doubles and ending the round

268
00:11:06,555 --> 00:11:09,485
with an impressive 31, 000 points.

269
00:11:09,485 --> 00:11:12,724
Of course, this is
Masters and a runaway win.

270
00:11:13,115 --> 00:11:17,705
I have to mention this episode
aired on May 1st and, uh, Matea

271
00:11:17,965 --> 00:11:21,625
shared in that episode that it was,
you know, the eve of the one year

272
00:11:21,625 --> 00:11:26,335
anniversary of their dad passing on
May 2nd and then Matea went on X.

273
00:11:26,434 --> 00:11:30,894
They posted this beautiful picture with,
uh, five of the six masters from season

274
00:11:30,894 --> 00:11:35,615
one and just said, I want to once again
thank and recognize last year's Jeopardy

275
00:11:35,615 --> 00:11:41,345
Masters cohort for feeding me beer and
cold in and out on a really shitty day.

276
00:11:41,425 --> 00:11:43,905
Much love to them and to my dad always.

277
00:11:44,244 --> 00:11:44,614
Yeah.

278
00:11:44,974 --> 00:11:50,474

We, uh, had many challenges, uh,
in the production of Masters 1.

279

00:11:50,654 --> 00:11:52,505
Nothing was felt harder.

280

00:11:52,760 --> 00:11:58,300
across the team than, uh, what
Matea went through this time last

281

00:11:58,300 --> 00:12:02,390
year, and that that moved all of us,
uh, on the stage during Masters 2.

282

00:12:02,530 --> 00:12:06,909
Yeah, and only that group of people,
you know, who they competed with really

283

00:12:06,910 --> 00:12:08,439
understood and really were there.

284

00:12:08,440 --> 00:12:10,459
So, yeah, so great that
they could be with them.

285

00:12:11,079 --> 00:12:12,130
One year later.

286

00:12:12,130 --> 00:12:15,784
Well, Ken did catch up with
our Masters after Game 1.

287

00:12:15,945 --> 00:12:19,595
Let's hear how Victoria was feeling
following that very big first win.

288

00:12:20,825 --> 00:12:21,995
Victoria, congratulations!

289

00:12:22,375 --> 00:12:22,845
Thank you!

290

00:12:22,905 --> 00:12:25,555
All hail the queen, it all came
together for you in that game.

291
00:12:25,615 --> 00:12:30,094
I, I definitely lucked out by Matt
hitting, I, I said like as, as the

292
00:12:30,155 --> 00:12:33,554
little barriers were going down, um,
I felt like a tougher than average

293
00:12:33,554 --> 00:12:35,285
Stanley double for a second row clue.

294
00:12:35,845 --> 00:12:40,555
Yes, I think these whole games are
going to trend harder, and I think that

295
00:12:40,555 --> 00:12:45,574
might result in some unpredictable Daily
double outcomes because unless you know

296
00:12:45,574 --> 00:12:48,895
something about a zigzagging sewing
machine you're kind of going on vibe.

297
00:12:48,895 --> 00:12:49,015
I

298
00:12:49,025 --> 00:12:52,095
thought of those pinking shears right
away and couldn't get it out of my mind.

299
00:12:52,145 --> 00:12:53,795
They have the little zigzag design.

300
00:12:53,824 --> 00:12:56,994
And of course the daily doubles that
you land on and the daily doubles that

301
00:12:56,994 --> 00:13:00,895
you know are hopefully a overlapping

circle but they're not always.

302

00:13:01,765 --> 00:13:05,685

Now, Matt, because you were the only one that knew genus in Final Jeopardy,

303

00:13:05,875 --> 00:13:07,505

that would have Match points, right?

304

00:13:08,375 --> 00:13:12,624

That's That would have swung the outcome of the game, you know,

305

00:13:12,625 --> 00:13:14,875

you, uh Victoria becomes catchable.

306

00:13:14,875 --> 00:13:14,944

I

307

00:13:14,944 --> 00:13:16,235

would have wagered differently.

308

00:13:16,235 --> 00:13:16,515

You could have

309

00:13:16,714 --> 00:13:17,385

wagered more.

310

00:13:17,415 --> 00:13:18,045

It's true.

311

00:13:18,084 --> 00:13:26,525

Don't steal this Zero up there Tell us about your daily double wager in

312

00:13:26,525 --> 00:13:29,394

this universe victoria, uh, you were looking at the board very carefully

313

00:13:29,664 --> 00:13:30,804

Thinking about how much money is left

314
00:13:30,805 --> 00:13:33,995
to do the math to see what would get me
a lock right there I couldn't quite get

315
00:13:33,995 --> 00:13:37,405
through the math in time But I knew i'd
be very close with the wager that I did

316
00:13:37,485 --> 00:13:40,224
you're adding up the money
on the board Things it

317
00:13:40,224 --> 00:13:45,010
is it is and uh, you know, I I can In
practice, I feel like I can do it a

318
00:13:45,010 --> 00:13:48,750
lot more quickly and I felt a little
shaky as I was trying to just, you

319
00:13:48,750 --> 00:13:52,830
know, focus on the numbers and what's
the category of the Salie double and

320
00:13:52,830 --> 00:13:54,080
what are my chances of getting it?

321
00:13:54,089 --> 00:13:56,990
And, um, but I was trying to just do
the math and, and lock it right there.

322
00:13:57,210 --> 00:13:59,759
I don't know about you guys, but I
felt a little shaky during this game,

323
00:13:59,759 --> 00:14:01,239
you know, like this is a big stage.

324
00:14:01,239 --> 00:14:02,179
This is a big deal.

325
00:14:02,610 --> 00:14:02,870

Yeah.

326

00:14:02,930 --> 00:14:04,530

First game jitters, maybe a little bit.

327

00:14:04,530 --> 00:14:06,820

The level of the material
is obviously so tough.

328

00:14:06,840 --> 00:14:09,620

And I think one thing I noticed last
year's masters, I kind of had to get

329

00:14:09,620 --> 00:14:12,939

more comfortable with like taking
stabs at stuff where I maybe only like.

330

00:14:13,365 --> 00:14:17,065

60 percent sure right because having
control of the board being able to look

331

00:14:17,065 --> 00:14:20,085

for daily doubles is so so important
in games like this Yeah, and I do

332

00:14:20,085 --> 00:14:23,874

believe if I remember correctly, I
got a trivial pursuit genus edition

333

00:14:23,874 --> 00:14:26,344

question wrong last Oh, did you say now?

334

00:14:26,345 --> 00:14:27,164

I'm pulling now.

335

00:14:27,164 --> 00:14:27,944

I'm pulling genus.

336

00:14:27,954 --> 00:14:29,204

Yes I

337

00:14:29,204 --> 00:14:32,134

thought that was very impressive
because there's not a lot in the clue

338

00:14:32,504 --> 00:14:34,194
a Latin category.

339

00:14:34,224 --> 00:14:38,475
Yeah, I Uh, I stare at genus species
all the time just for fun, and

340

00:14:38,475 --> 00:14:41,185
so chrysanthemum, uh, came out.

341

00:14:41,735 --> 00:14:42,055
What,

342

00:14:42,064 --> 00:14:43,884
did you, uh, know anything about the fact?

343

00:14:43,895 --> 00:14:47,205
Did you, how did you eliminate, uh,
species or other kinds of taxonomic terms?

344

00:14:47,205 --> 00:14:53,185
Yeah, so, uh, I, I know that, uh, chrysan,
chrysanthemum is, uh, uh, uh, family.

345

00:14:53,235 --> 00:14:56,215
Like, there, there are multiple of
them, and so it couldn't be species.

346

00:14:56,505 --> 00:15:00,005
And then much of the other taxonomic
ordering, uh, is not Latin.

347

00:15:00,400 --> 00:15:00,739
So

348

00:15:00,999 --> 00:15:01,699
that's true.

349

00:15:02,069 --> 00:15:02,510

That's true.

350

00:15:02,749 --> 00:15:05,890
Yeah species very tempting, but you
know, he's kind of a lazy botanist

351

00:15:05,890 --> 00:15:09,219
if he just lists 700 plants And
then he's like, you know what?

352

00:15:09,989 --> 00:15:11,510
i'm gonna call it I feel like

353

00:15:11,859 --> 00:15:15,300
even popped into my head as a possibility
like right before the end of time

354

00:15:15,300 --> 00:15:20,755
and I was like If I had 15 seconds,
maybe I'd switch, but I'd rather

355

00:15:20,755 --> 00:15:22,535
at least have an answer out there.

356

00:15:22,615 --> 00:15:23,925
You never want to get half written.

357

00:15:24,035 --> 00:15:24,475
That's right.

358

00:15:24,475 --> 00:15:25,045
That's right.

359

00:15:25,065 --> 00:15:28,434
You wagered to have the even 33, 333.

360

00:15:28,434 --> 00:15:30,295
It didn't quite work out with
you, but I have a better number.

361

00:15:30,295 --> 00:15:30,715
Three.

362

00:15:30,715 --> 00:15:33,874

You earn three match points
in our very first Jeopardy!

363

00:15:33,874 --> 00:15:34,384

Masters game.

364

00:15:34,384 --> 00:15:35,594

Victoria, congratulations.

365

00:15:35,855 --> 00:15:36,174

Well done.

366

00:15:36,175 --> 00:15:39,145

You'll have to face off against
the winner of our next game.

367

00:15:39,175 --> 00:15:39,989

So, we'll see you there.

368

00:15:41,100 --> 00:15:43,380

With which terrifying
possibility will it be?

369

00:15:43,430 --> 00:15:46,560

There are a few options, but we're
going to find out very shortly and

370

00:15:46,560 --> 00:15:47,550

we'll see you on our next episode.

371

00:15:48,120 --> 00:15:49,930

All three of you, welcome to Jeopardy!

372

00:15:49,930 --> 00:15:49,990

Masters.

373

00:15:51,530 --> 00:15:56,140

Such interesting insights, you know,
getting into the minds of our masters

374
00:15:56,140 --> 00:15:57,329
and what goes into these games.

375
00:15:57,510 --> 00:15:58,410
Yeah, certainly.

376
00:15:58,420 --> 00:16:03,680
Victoria announced herself on the,
uh, Alex Trebek stage masters version.

377
00:16:04,189 --> 00:16:09,770
And, you know, it's something that we
saw from Victoria during the JIT as well.

378
00:16:10,255 --> 00:16:14,405
Double Jeopardy goes on, just gets
stronger and stronger and stronger and

379
00:16:14,415 --> 00:16:18,875
builds up that momentum and just what
an impressive, uh, debut this was.

380
00:16:19,205 --> 00:16:23,165
Okay, in the second game of the
night, Masters Champion, uh, James

381
00:16:23,235 --> 00:16:27,444
Holzhauer, uh, went up against
Yogesh Raut and Amy Schneider.

382
00:16:27,444 --> 00:16:30,155
Yogesh took the lead,
heading into Double Jeopardy.

383
00:16:30,510 --> 00:16:36,000
Where, with the help of a 9, 400
point daily double and 12 correct

384
00:16:36,010 --> 00:16:38,550
responses, he secured a runaway win.

385
00:16:38,770 --> 00:16:39,590

Yeah, look at that.

386

00:16:39,800 --> 00:16:42,250

Two newcomers, both with runaways.

387

00:16:42,270 --> 00:16:43,100

Pretty impressive.

388

00:16:43,429 --> 00:16:47,960

James, you had to notice, was of course the self-proclaimed final winner.

389

00:16:48,160 --> 00:16:51,180

Boss of Jeopardy declaring, I am the main event.

390

00:16:51,300 --> 00:16:55,740

He also revealed that this was the first time that his dad had been

391

00:16:55,750 --> 00:16:57,689

in the audience to see him compete.

392

00:16:57,699 --> 00:17:00,490

Hard to imagine that after all these years, that was the

393

00:17:00,490 --> 00:17:02,219

first time his dad was there.

394

00:17:02,709 --> 00:17:03,969

Also have to point out.

395

00:17:04,194 --> 00:17:06,175

the kernel of the clue category.

396

00:17:06,204 --> 00:17:10,135

I know a lot of fans were talking about it, maybe calling it brutal.

397

00:17:10,415 --> 00:17:14,665

Uh, I did check in with Billy Weiss,

one of our, uh, co head writers, and

398

00:17:14,674 --> 00:17:18,334
he said, you know, Michael really
challenged us to write some, some

399

00:17:18,334 --> 00:17:20,784
brain twisting wordplay, if you will.

400

00:17:20,794 --> 00:17:23,594
Some, some clues that you
couldn't, you couldn't find

401

00:17:23,594 --> 00:17:25,435
those responses on a flash card.

402

00:17:25,875 --> 00:17:29,425
So I think the kernel of the clue
was kind of one of those that you

403

00:17:29,425 --> 00:17:30,915
had challenged the writers to really

404

00:17:32,270 --> 00:17:34,990
Yeah, look, I think this is,
that's, that's very accurate and

405

00:17:34,990 --> 00:17:36,300
very fair of Billie to say it.

406

00:17:36,370 --> 00:17:38,230
You know, I think the
overall note is correct.

407

00:17:38,230 --> 00:17:42,419
We want to push in Masters these
players to get beyond what they

408

00:17:42,420 --> 00:17:47,645
can learn in flashcards and use the
power of their brains to, Uh, compete

409

00:17:47,805 --> 00:17:50,985
against each other and stand out
from each other, uh, in this game.

410
00:17:51,255 --> 00:17:54,255
Uh, look, in hindsight, when I read
Colonel of the Clue, I was like,

411
00:17:54,425 --> 00:17:56,405
Wow, I'm finding this difficult.

412
00:17:56,755 --> 00:17:58,854
Our players actually dealt with it better.

413
00:17:58,854 --> 00:17:59,974
I think it was harder for the audience.

414
00:17:59,974 --> 00:18:01,875
Our players sort of dealt with most of it.

415
00:18:02,125 --> 00:18:05,724
And I think sometimes it was, you know,
the reactions that we saw a little bit,

416
00:18:05,724 --> 00:18:09,545
perhaps from James during that episode,
were a little bit more like, Well, this

417
00:18:09,555 --> 00:18:11,135
is pushing me through multiple steps.

418
00:18:11,135 --> 00:18:13,065
More than it was, you
know, It was impossible.

419
00:18:13,125 --> 00:18:15,275
They can deal with anything
we throw at them, frankly.

420
00:18:15,445 --> 00:18:18,625
Yeah, Billy told me they actually
had a few leftover clues that weren't

421

00:18:18,625 --> 00:18:21,584
used in that category, and he knew
that these same three players may

422

00:18:21,584 --> 00:18:23,804
be meeting up again at a later game.

423

00:18:23,804 --> 00:18:26,155
So he thought, Hey, you know,
now they have the hang of it.

424

00:18:26,495 --> 00:18:27,735
Maybe we should do it again.

425

00:18:27,764 --> 00:18:30,040
And of course, Michelle said Hell no.

426

00:18:31,870 --> 00:18:32,129
Yeah.

427

00:18:32,189 --> 00:18:32,899
Absolutely.

428

00:18:32,919 --> 00:18:35,409
There is similar to, similar to you and I.

429

00:18:35,469 --> 00:18:35,790
Ah, yes.

430

00:18:35,879 --> 00:18:36,439
Uh, Sarah.

431

00:18:36,560 --> 00:18:39,739
Our writers, Billy and Michelle,
sometimes there is, there is more

432

00:18:39,739 --> 00:18:41,320
aggressive and more conservative voices.

433

00:18:41,330 --> 00:18:41,629
Yes.

434
00:18:41,790 --> 00:18:42,020
All of

435
00:18:42,169 --> 00:18:42,490
those.

436
00:18:42,889 --> 00:18:43,240
All right.

437
00:18:43,260 --> 00:18:47,330
And with that, Victoria and Yogesh, both
earning three match points for their wins.

438
00:18:47,580 --> 00:18:48,830
Matea and James, you're up.

439
00:18:48,945 --> 00:18:51,555
each earning one match point
for finishing in second.

440
00:18:51,915 --> 00:18:56,165
Tonight, it will be James, Matea,
and Matt facing off in game one.

441
00:18:56,515 --> 00:19:00,565
And then as is the tradition in
game two, our two winners from the

442
00:19:00,565 --> 00:19:02,554
previous episode go against each other.

443
00:19:02,554 --> 00:19:06,285
So we have Victoria and Yogesh, and
then it's a random draw for someone

444
00:19:06,285 --> 00:19:07,800
who hasn't played in that combination.

445
00:19:07,800 --> 00:19:08,134
And we'll see who wins.

446

00:19:08,235 --> 00:19:11,655
Amy got the draw, so she will
be in game two with Victoria and

447

00:19:11,655 --> 00:19:13,584
Yogesh, you won't want to miss it.

448

00:19:13,645 --> 00:19:17,605
Yeah, yeah, we know that this is
challenging scheduling, uh, Jeopardy

449

00:19:17,635 --> 00:19:21,464
Masters, once again, this was ABC, not
us, but you know, we're very happy,

450

00:19:21,465 --> 00:19:26,754
ABC, if you're listening, to be on your
air, but yes, Monday night, uh, tonight

451

00:19:26,854 --> 00:19:30,985
is the, uh, second episode of Jeopardy
Masters, um, you don't wanna miss

452

00:19:30,985 --> 00:19:33,605
this, you don't wanna miss any of these
episodes of Masters, it's just superb.

453

00:19:34,215 --> 00:19:36,254
Continuing again on Wednesday and Friday.

454

00:19:36,284 --> 00:19:39,194
So we kind of get into a rhythm now
of Monday, Wednesday, and Friday.

455

00:19:39,674 --> 00:19:42,864
Well, Michael, let's talk about some
of those regular Jeopardy games.

456

00:19:42,894 --> 00:19:45,334
Yes, original recipe, syndicated Jeopardy.

457

00:19:46,064 --> 00:19:48,985

Amy Hummel returned on Monday
with three wins under her belt.

458

00:19:48,995 --> 00:19:53,620
She and Ferdinand Persenti battled
throughout with Ferdinand taking a strong

459

00:19:53,620 --> 00:19:57,320
lead after finding both Daily Doubles
and Double Jeopardy, but he couldn't come

460

00:19:57,320 --> 00:19:59,090
up with the correct response in final.

461

00:19:59,129 --> 00:20:03,660
Amy does, and she comes from
behind to secure a fourth win.

462

00:20:04,230 --> 00:20:07,559
Interestingly enough, Michael, it has
been pointed out that this is not the

463

00:20:07,560 --> 00:20:10,520
first Jeopardy champion named Amy Hummel.

464

00:20:10,750 --> 00:20:12,220
Oh my god, there are two of them.

465

00:20:12,260 --> 00:20:16,379
I believe that was a Jean Claude Van
Damme, uh, movie quote at some point.

466

00:20:16,379 --> 00:20:19,110
I don't know where there were two
Jean Claude Van Dammes in the movie.

467

00:20:19,110 --> 00:20:20,101
There are two Amy Hummels.

468

00:20:20,101 --> 00:20:20,743
There are.

469

00:20:20,743 --> 00:20:25,800
Way back in 2002, we had another Amy
Hummel, who was a one game champion.

470
00:20:25,810 --> 00:20:26,949
Thank you, Jay Archive.

471
00:20:26,980 --> 00:20:28,580
You know, you can look anything up.

472
00:20:28,990 --> 00:20:29,900
We have checked the tape.

473
00:20:29,900 --> 00:20:31,020
It is not the same Amy Hummel.

474
00:20:31,060 --> 00:20:32,000
Nope, different.

475
00:20:32,130 --> 00:20:32,994
Uh, Ferdinand, I love you.

476
00:20:33,195 --> 00:20:35,365
I don't often bring up the
interview moments, but this

477
00:20:35,395 --> 00:20:36,805
was so interesting to me.

478
00:20:37,015 --> 00:20:39,845
His grandmother founded
a hotel in the Bahamas.

479
00:20:39,885 --> 00:20:46,265
Jimmy Buffett often visited the hotel, ate
a cheeseburger there, and, you know, as

480
00:20:46,265 --> 00:20:50,604
his grandmother tells him, that was the
inspiration of cheeseburger in paradise.

481
00:20:51,005 --> 00:20:55,015

Yeah, I have, um, I've sent a note to, uh, Savannah Buffett,

482

00:20:55,025 --> 00:20:57,945
my great friend, who's Jimmy's daughter to, to just check on this.

483

00:20:57,985 --> 00:20:58,345
Okay.

484

00:20:58,355 --> 00:20:59,745
And I should be able to come back.

485

00:20:59,774 --> 00:21:01,235
I'd like, uh, yes, please

486

00:21:01,385 --> 00:21:03,135
confirm or deny if that is true.

487

00:21:03,655 --> 00:21:06,804
People are already starting to talk about the field for Second Chance and

488

00:21:06,804 --> 00:21:08,655
Ferdinand certainly getting some chatter.

489

00:21:08,655 --> 00:21:13,195
22 correct responses ran the getting territorial category

490

00:21:13,535 --> 00:21:16,925
and had a near runaway, if not for that miss in Final Jeopardy.

491

00:21:16,925 --> 00:21:17,195
So.

492

00:21:17,960 --> 00:21:19,090
Pretty good start to the week.

493

00:21:19,090 --> 00:21:23,840
On Tuesday, it was the day that Amy

punched her official ticket to the TOC,

494

00:21:23,850 --> 00:21:28,109
locking up that fifth win, following
a close game with an exciting finish.

495

00:21:28,580 --> 00:21:33,700
Get this, Amy and Laura Bly were tied
at the end of Jeopardy, then tied at

496

00:21:33,700 --> 00:21:38,199
the end of Double Jeopardy, but that
Amy is correct and final and notches

497

00:21:38,280 --> 00:21:43,040
that exciting win and becomes our
third official qualifier for the TOC.

498

00:21:43,514 --> 00:21:43,804
Wow.

499

00:21:43,945 --> 00:21:44,344
Excellent.

500

00:21:44,504 --> 00:21:48,044
I spoke with Amy right after her
win to know how she felt about

501

00:21:48,334 --> 00:21:50,334
securing a spot in the TOC.

502

00:21:50,705 --> 00:21:51,844
Let's hear how she's feeling.

503

00:21:52,514 --> 00:21:55,325
Amy Hummel, five day Jeopardy!

504

00:21:55,335 --> 00:21:56,044
champion.

505

00:21:56,054 --> 00:21:56,934
How does that sound?

506

00:21:57,135 --> 00:21:58,504
I still, I don't think it's real.

507

00:21:58,504 --> 00:22:01,344
Like, I'm gonna wake up and I'm
gonna come in for my first day.

508

00:22:01,534 --> 00:22:02,255
Well, it is

509

00:22:02,255 --> 00:22:02,809
real.

510

00:22:03,080 --> 00:22:06,649
And what is also real is you are
headed to the Tournament of Champions.

511

00:22:06,950 --> 00:22:09,909
I heard Ken ask you, have you
seen the Tournament of Champions?

512

00:22:09,909 --> 00:22:11,590
And you said, no.

513

00:22:11,639 --> 00:22:14,850
I mean, you've obviously been busy, you're
an ER doctor, so are you going to do

514

00:22:14,850 --> 00:22:17,060
any studying up on what that involves?

515

00:22:18,170 --> 00:22:23,380
Probably go back and watch some prior
tournaments of champions and then just

516

00:22:23,380 --> 00:22:28,130
keep doing what I was doing, which was
a 300, 000 question flashcard deck.

517

00:22:28,130 --> 00:22:29,480
300, 000?

518

00:22:29,500 --> 00:22:30,060

Yeah.

519

00:22:30,279 --> 00:22:30,819

Wow.

520

00:22:31,020 --> 00:22:32,660

So tell me about your Jeopardy journey.

521

00:22:32,720 --> 00:22:34,579

Definitely watching the show as a kid.

522

00:22:34,580 --> 00:22:37,499

It was on, it's on in the like
early mid afternoon, like 3.

523

00:22:37,500 --> 00:22:38,910

30 in Chicago.

524

00:22:38,910 --> 00:22:41,420

So it was like right when you would
get home from school it would be on.

525

00:22:41,790 --> 00:22:45,150

I know I took the test, I
think in high school, but I

526

00:22:45,159 --> 00:22:47,650

couldn't make the, the audition.

527

00:22:47,660 --> 00:22:48,830

It was in person.

528

00:22:48,920 --> 00:22:53,700

Then I took the anytime test
and then I did the COVID

529

00:22:53,710 --> 00:22:55,370

version of the audition process.

530

00:22:55,380 --> 00:22:57,470
So it was pretty much all remote.

531
00:22:57,470 --> 00:23:01,000
I know one, I like forgot
to show up to one of them.

532
00:23:01,000 --> 00:23:03,069
And I think the other one I
rolled out of bed because I was

533
00:23:03,070 --> 00:23:05,580
in residency and it's tired.

534
00:23:05,789 --> 00:23:07,090
But look at you, you made it.

535
00:23:07,520 --> 00:23:08,440
Now we're here.

536
00:23:08,530 --> 00:23:11,660
So what were you hoping to accomplish
here on the Alex Trebek stage?

537
00:23:11,670 --> 00:23:16,120
I think my hope, my like big
dream was to win one game.

538
00:23:16,604 --> 00:23:19,425
And then be able to go home
saying that I had won a game.

539
00:23:19,455 --> 00:23:22,344
But honestly, it was
just thrilled to be here.

540
00:23:22,344 --> 00:23:25,685
And so this was not even
on the table whatsoever.

541
00:23:26,204 --> 00:23:27,245
Five game champion.

542

00:23:27,254 --> 00:23:28,454
Wasn't even in the dreams.

543

00:23:28,504 --> 00:23:28,744
No.

544

00:23:29,554 --> 00:23:31,934
Well, I know you described
yourself, you know, you always

545

00:23:31,934 --> 00:23:33,554
did look very calm out here.

546

00:23:33,554 --> 00:23:35,734
Like it really was just no big deal.

547

00:23:35,734 --> 00:23:39,534
Like another day at the office for an
ER doctor, but you also said underneath

548

00:23:39,554 --> 00:23:44,264
you were like a duck calm on top,
paddling like crazy underneath the water.

549

00:23:44,284 --> 00:23:47,375
Is that an accurate way to describe
what it's like to be up here?

550

00:23:47,735 --> 00:23:48,935
Yeah, 100%.

551

00:23:49,025 --> 00:23:51,485
During the game, you get a
little more zen once you start.

552

00:23:51,504 --> 00:23:55,865
If you can get into like a streak
or in the zone with the buzzer, it

553

00:23:55,865 --> 00:23:57,514
starts feeling a lot less stressful.

554

00:23:57,515 --> 00:23:59,424
But I feel like any time we'd
break and then come back,

555

00:23:59,424 --> 00:24:00,585
it'd be like all over again.

556

00:24:00,615 --> 00:24:01,764
And it's a long day.

557

00:24:01,775 --> 00:24:04,614
You know, for those who are
watching you at home, this

558

00:24:04,614 --> 00:24:06,224
didn't happen over five days.

559

00:24:06,264 --> 00:24:08,804
Or you didn't have that weekend
in between to be a Jeopardy!

560

00:24:08,814 --> 00:24:09,254
champion.

561

00:24:09,264 --> 00:24:11,945
This has all happened, you know,
within a matter of 24 hours.

562

00:24:12,034 --> 00:24:12,844
Yeah, you're right.

563

00:24:13,405 --> 00:24:14,784
It's a really long 24 hours.

564

00:24:15,825 --> 00:24:17,814
What's been the best part
so far of the experience?

565

00:24:18,510 --> 00:24:21,610
Oh, the best part was just getting
to meet all the other contestants

566
00:24:21,610 --> 00:24:22,879
and then everyone who works here.

567
00:24:23,290 --> 00:24:25,060
So, so lovely.

568
00:24:25,060 --> 00:24:28,169
Like, couldn't, we were saying
yesterday, it's like, I wouldn't be

569
00:24:28,179 --> 00:24:30,840
sad to lose to any of you because
you're all just so excellent.

570
00:24:30,879 --> 00:24:32,519
And the same was true today.

571
00:24:32,530 --> 00:24:34,810
It was just a dream come true.

572
00:24:34,969 --> 00:24:38,110
Well, congratulations on a
great run and we will see you

573
00:24:38,139 --> 00:24:39,360
in the Tournament of Champions.

574
00:24:39,499 --> 00:24:40,120
Can't wait.

575
00:24:41,135 --> 00:24:42,995
And now a quick word from our sponsor.

576
00:24:43,575 --> 00:24:49,205
Selling a little or a lot
Shopify helps you do your thing.

577
00:24:49,235 --> 00:24:50,495
However you cha-Ching.

578
00:24:50,525 --> 00:24:53,915

Shopify is the global commerce platform that helps you sell at

579

00:24:53,945 --> 00:24:55,385
every stage of your business.

580

00:24:55,445 --> 00:24:59,795
From the launcher online shop stage to the first real life store stage.

581

00:25:00,200 --> 00:25:03,340
All the way to the, did we just hit a million orders stage?

582

00:25:03,760 --> 00:25:07,980
Shopify is there to help you grow from their all in one e commerce platform

583

00:25:07,980 --> 00:25:11,969
to their in person point of sale system, wherever and whatever you're

584

00:25:11,969 --> 00:25:13,919
selling, Shopify has got you covered.

585

00:25:14,379 --> 00:25:18,879
Shopify powers 10 percent of all e commerce in the U S plus they have the

586

00:25:18,879 --> 00:25:23,040
internet's best converting checkout, 36 percent better on average compared

587

00:25:23,040 --> 00:25:25,030
to other leading commerce platforms.

588

00:25:25,150 --> 00:25:28,849
What I love about Shopify is how simple they've made it to grow your business.

589

00:25:29,100 --> 00:25:32,389
You can manage inventory, track payments, and view real time

590

00:25:32,409 --> 00:25:34,209
insights all in one place.

591

00:25:34,350 --> 00:25:37,909
Shopify is there to support your
success every step of the way, because

592

00:25:37,929 --> 00:25:40,279
businesses that grow, grow with Shopify.

593

00:25:40,289 --> 00:25:43,999
Sign up for a 1 per month
trial period at shopify.

594

00:25:44,039 --> 00:25:46,219
com slash jeopardy, all lowercase.

595

00:25:46,739 --> 00:25:47,709
Go to shopify.

596

00:25:47,710 --> 00:25:51,850
com slash jeopardy now to grow your
business no matter what stage you're in.

597

00:25:52,310 --> 00:25:53,120
Shopify.

598

00:25:53,120 --> 00:25:55,010
com slash Jeopardy.

599

00:25:55,470 --> 00:25:57,440
Now back to Inside Jeopardy.

600

00:25:58,030 --> 00:26:03,170
And on Wednesday, WakeyEyeRanala
took the stage, defeating Amy Hummel.

601

00:26:03,200 --> 00:26:05,259
Amy managed to find both of
the Daily Doubles in Double

602
00:26:05,259 --> 00:26:08,689
Jeopardy, but unfortunately missed
both of them, dropping 8, 200.

603
00:26:08,690 --> 00:26:13,720
From there, WakeyEye cruised into a
comfortable lead, wagering minimally on a

604
00:26:13,720 --> 00:26:16,660
triple stumper in final to take the win.

605
00:26:17,370 --> 00:26:17,679
Okay.

606
00:26:17,679 --> 00:26:19,280
I just love some of these Reddit comments.

607
00:26:19,280 --> 00:26:21,370
I have to read Neil's cousin.

608
00:26:21,379 --> 00:26:22,639
He was in the third podium.

609
00:26:22,639 --> 00:26:24,389
He talked a bit about his experience.

610
00:26:24,409 --> 00:26:25,999
Special shout out to makeup.

611
00:26:26,000 --> 00:26:28,639
I spent a few days skiing
shortly before my tape day.

612
00:26:28,639 --> 00:26:31,319
That trip was planned before
I got the call and my face was

613
00:26:31,319 --> 00:26:33,260
peeling from all the sun and wind.

614
00:26:33,500 --> 00:26:36,649

Did my wife and I hit Sephora the night before to get a bunch of

615

00:26:36,649 --> 00:26:38,560
masks and moisturizing creams?

616

00:26:38,830 --> 00:26:39,389
Yes.

617

00:26:39,600 --> 00:26:40,240
Did it help?

618

00:26:40,240 --> 00:26:40,429
Yes.

619

00:26:40,540 --> 00:26:41,540
Not so much.

620

00:26:41,770 --> 00:26:43,550
So, uh, thank you to our makeup team.

621

00:26:43,560 --> 00:26:46,120
We would have never known, Nils,
if you didn't post this on Reddit.

622

00:26:46,629 --> 00:26:50,480
Another person hopping on Reddit,
Allison Betts, our other TOC

623

00:26:50,480 --> 00:26:52,000
qualifier earlier this season.

624

00:26:52,270 --> 00:26:53,760
Congratulations to Amy.

625

00:26:53,760 --> 00:26:57,590
I was hoping that, unlike me,
she'd survive the sixth game curse.

626

00:26:57,905 --> 00:27:00,625
Regardless, I'm so incredibly
impressed with her play, and can't

627

00:27:00,625 --> 00:27:01,865
wait to see her again in the TOC.

628

00:27:02,135 --> 00:27:04,995
My second tape day was her first, and
we got to speak a bit in the green

629

00:27:04,995 --> 00:27:06,395
room before the first game taped.

630

00:27:06,764 --> 00:27:10,314
However smart, kind, calm, and
collected she seems on stage,

631

00:27:10,585 --> 00:27:12,635
she's ten times more so in person.

632

00:27:12,915 --> 00:27:14,525
She deserves all the love.

633

00:27:15,689 --> 00:27:16,050
more.

634

00:27:16,520 --> 00:27:16,750
Wow.

635

00:27:16,750 --> 00:27:18,900
The sorority between our T.

636

00:27:18,900 --> 00:27:18,990
O.

637

00:27:18,990 --> 00:27:19,210
C.

638

00:27:19,210 --> 00:27:21,740
Contestants is starting months out.

639

00:27:21,750 --> 00:27:22,180
Amazing.

640
00:27:23,149 --> 00:27:26,399
Well, wakey I returned on Thursday and
after a well played game by all three

641
00:27:26,399 --> 00:27:30,879
players, despite not finding any daily
doubles, wakey I managed to steadily

642
00:27:30,889 --> 00:27:35,189
build her lead throughout and was
correct in final to secure the win.

643
00:27:35,530 --> 00:27:36,860
A second win.

644
00:27:37,139 --> 00:27:41,170
Another person getting a little second
chance love is Angelus Cocotius.

645
00:27:41,360 --> 00:27:44,710
Reddit users calling him feels like
the type of player who could have

646
00:27:44,710 --> 00:27:48,800
just been a juggernaut if he was
better at converting on daily doubles.

647
00:27:48,960 --> 00:27:53,920
He did, of course, fall victim to a missed
daily double, but 19 correct responses

648
00:27:54,180 --> 00:27:56,139
against a strong player in WakeyEye.

649
00:27:56,490 --> 00:27:57,570
Yeah, absolutely.

650
00:27:57,720 --> 00:27:58,850
And believe it or not, WakeyEye.

651
00:27:59,705 --> 00:28:03,975

Yet to find a Daily Double after two games and yet a two game champion.

652

00:28:04,284 --> 00:28:07,014

However, on Friday, the Daily Double drought ends.

653

00:28:07,345 --> 00:28:11,705

Wakey Eye found both the first and last of the game, but missed both of

654

00:28:11,705 --> 00:28:13,395

them, dropping her to third place.

655

00:28:13,925 --> 00:28:18,024

But she bet it all on Final, the only person to be correct, capping off

656

00:28:18,025 --> 00:28:20,665

an exciting come from behind win.

657

00:28:21,385 --> 00:28:22,525

Final Jeopardy, Michael.

658

00:28:22,665 --> 00:28:25,295

1990s number one songs.

659

00:28:25,814 --> 00:28:32,645

This title character of the top song from 1996 can't stand her boyfriend Vintorino

660

00:28:32,645 --> 00:28:35,764

and spurns him to be with his two friends.

661

00:28:36,434 --> 00:28:40,624

Yeah, there is some knowledge that you, um, you know, I forget people's

662

00:28:40,625 --> 00:28:41,965

names that I should really know.

663

00:28:42,014 --> 00:28:45,635

And yet there is knowledge in my
brain that I don't really know how

664

00:28:45,635 --> 00:28:48,324
I know and don't, would probably
choose for it not to be there.

665

00:28:48,335 --> 00:28:48,664
Oh, okay, okay.

666

00:28:48,665 --> 00:28:50,524
And yet this is one of
the ones that I knew.

667

00:28:50,885 --> 00:28:54,335
Uh, and actually questioned whether
or not it was too easy, uh, to be

668

00:28:54,385 --> 00:28:56,425
a final and yet, uh, there you go.

669

00:28:56,875 --> 00:28:59,114
Well, Ken caught up with the
players after the game and had

670

00:28:59,114 --> 00:29:01,765
some thoughts about the Macarena.

671

00:29:02,475 --> 00:29:03,205
Congratulations.

672

00:29:03,215 --> 00:29:03,515
Yes.

673

00:29:03,725 --> 00:29:04,275
Thank you.

674

00:29:04,345 --> 00:29:06,084
Would you like to do a little celebratory?

675

00:29:06,345 --> 00:29:07,201
You know, all the

676

00:29:07,201 --> 00:29:10,544
girls in my elementary school
would, but I, I never could.

677

00:29:10,644 --> 00:29:11,044
So.

678

00:29:11,124 --> 00:29:11,754
Anybody know it?

679

00:29:11,754 --> 00:29:14,089
I don't think I always bad at
it and I'll always hate it.

680

00:29:14,089 --> 00:29:15,354
Is it up or down first?

681

00:29:15,354 --> 00:29:16,235
I think it's down.

682

00:29:16,245 --> 00:29:20,145
It's down first, then up,
then shoulders, oh, then head.

683

00:29:20,425 --> 00:29:21,485
And there's a spin.

684

00:29:21,904 --> 00:29:22,614
Oh, really?

685

00:29:22,894 --> 00:29:23,235
Yes.

686

00:29:23,264 --> 00:29:23,604
No way.

687

00:29:24,884 --> 00:29:26,264
I don't think I'm allowed
to do this on my own.

688

00:29:26,965 --> 00:29:29,404
They're going to shoot me from
the waist up like Elvis if I,

689

00:29:29,475 --> 00:29:30,735
if I actually do the Macarena.

690

00:29:31,044 --> 00:29:31,965
Congratulations, Wake.

691

00:29:31,965 --> 00:29:33,745
Yeah, you needed that correct response.

692

00:29:33,824 --> 00:29:37,704
Yeah, I was going, oh, I have
to bet all of it and I have to

693

00:29:37,705 --> 00:29:38,924
be the only one who's right.

694

00:29:39,114 --> 00:29:42,544
But I guess I, I feel
very lucky with this one.

695

00:29:42,544 --> 00:29:44,715
That was a really tough game.

696

00:29:44,715 --> 00:29:47,145
The buzzer competition was unbelievable.

697

00:29:47,915 --> 00:29:52,555
I saw you buzzing in very vehemently, but
you couldn't find your rhythm, I guess?

698

00:29:52,625 --> 00:29:56,445
No, and I think these two are
just so amazing at the buzzer.

699

00:29:56,445 --> 00:29:59,835
They definitely deserve a round of
applause for that great performance.

700

00:29:59,835 --> 00:30:01,064
It was a

701
00:30:02,245 --> 00:30:04,104
great game for all three of you.

702
00:30:04,105 --> 00:30:07,114
You know, Deanna went into final
with the lead and she had, I think,

703
00:30:07,265 --> 00:30:11,565
16 correct responses, the same as
Wakey Eye, but you had some misses

704
00:30:11,605 --> 00:30:12,915
that bumped you down into third.

705
00:30:12,975 --> 00:30:16,075
I had been studying presidential
homes, and I was like, it's

706
00:30:16,085 --> 00:30:19,375
something that has the same place
as a site in another country.

707
00:30:19,375 --> 00:30:21,095
I know that, and I couldn't remember it.

708
00:30:21,095 --> 00:30:22,475
I just couldn't put a pin on it.

709
00:30:22,735 --> 00:30:25,215
But there's the Hermitage in Russia.

710
00:30:25,255 --> 00:30:25,295
St.

711
00:30:25,295 --> 00:30:25,785
Petersburg.

712
00:30:25,795 --> 00:30:26,225
Yeah.

713

00:30:26,515 --> 00:30:27,195

I thought the

714

00:30:27,205 --> 00:30:30,035

Daily Double was hard on Hippocampus.

715

00:30:30,245 --> 00:30:32,035

That was, uh, we didn't
give you a whole lot there.

716

00:30:32,095 --> 00:30:34,275

How do you, how do you know
your brain parts, Henry?

717

00:30:34,325 --> 00:30:37,545

Well, yeah, I guess hippo, I
just knew that there's one piece

718

00:30:37,545 --> 00:30:38,815

in the brain that's an animal.

719

00:30:38,815 --> 00:30:41,175

I mean, it's called a hippocampus
for being in the shape of

720

00:30:41,315 --> 00:30:42,685

a horse, like a seahorse.

721

00:30:42,915 --> 00:30:43,385

Yeah, well done.

722

00:30:43,385 --> 00:30:46,015

But, uh, hippo is the
wrong, so I don't know.

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00:30:46,025 --> 00:30:47,135

My dad's a doctor, so, you know.

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00:30:47,145 --> 00:30:48,455

You had actual knowledge.

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00:30:48,465 --> 00:30:49,585
Your dad will be so pleased.

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00:30:50,095 --> 00:30:53,725
Well, uh, we knew from yesterday's game,
Wakey, I think maybe your strongest

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00:30:53,725 --> 00:30:55,435
category was not women in song.

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00:30:55,625 --> 00:30:55,845
Yeah.

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00:30:55,885 --> 00:30:58,905
But you knew the plot of
Macarena and Victorino.

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00:30:58,905 --> 00:30:59,285
Yeah.

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00:30:59,285 --> 00:30:59,654
Yeah.

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00:31:00,205 --> 00:31:01,395
Do you have a story with the song?

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00:31:01,455 --> 00:31:04,405
Yeah, there was a Hank Green
video where he was summarizing,

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00:31:04,415 --> 00:31:07,715
like, the plots of different hit
songs that aren't in English.

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00:31:07,715 --> 00:31:12,335
So he talked about Gangnam Style and
that Numa Numa song and Macarena.

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00:31:12,335 --> 00:31:13,405
So that's how I remembered.

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00:31:13,965 --> 00:31:14,225
Got it.

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00:31:14,255 --> 00:31:16,935
Well, I'm sorry that the Macarena
is going to be a painful memory

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00:31:16,955 --> 00:31:18,715
for, uh, for Deanna and Henry.

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00:31:19,075 --> 00:31:21,785
But uh, Wakey I let you survive
the week and you're gonna come back

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00:31:21,785 --> 00:31:23,115
for your fourth game on Monday.

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00:31:23,115 --> 00:31:23,615
Congratulations.

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00:31:24,185 --> 00:31:24,555
Well done.

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00:31:28,345 --> 00:31:30,205
Michael believe it or not really fun.

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00:31:30,395 --> 00:31:32,505
Well, I don't even know it's a fun
story for me about the Macarena

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00:31:32,505 --> 00:31:35,505
But years ago the clue crew
did a clue about the Macarena.

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00:31:35,515 --> 00:31:38,105
We did the moves we all practiced.

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00:31:38,115 --> 00:31:38,535
Yeah, Sarah

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00:31:38,535 --> 00:31:39,575
is doing them right now I'm doing

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00:31:41,060 --> 00:31:41,460
Okay, that's enough.

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00:31:42,540 --> 00:31:45,300
Anyway, just picture a lot
of effort went into this.

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00:31:45,360 --> 00:31:46,820
Here comes a clue in the game board.

753
00:31:46,820 --> 00:31:48,800
It pops out, we have a technical issue.

754
00:31:49,100 --> 00:31:50,310
Clue has to be thrown away.

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00:31:50,570 --> 00:31:51,950
My Macarena never lived.

756
00:31:51,950 --> 00:31:52,850
Nobody's ever seen it.

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00:31:52,860 --> 00:31:53,240
No.

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00:31:53,270 --> 00:31:57,180
That would be, as I regard, that
would be the work of the game show

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00:31:57,180 --> 00:31:58,530
gods, who we talk about a lot.

760
00:31:58,690 --> 00:31:58,800
You

761
00:31:58,800 --> 00:32:01,600
know, sometimes they work for
us, and sometimes against us.

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00:32:01,755 --> 00:32:06,155

I don't know which one that was, but
it's now time for this week's host chat.

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00:32:06,215 --> 00:32:09,885
An audience member asked Ken, how many
writers are on the Jeopardy staff?

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00:32:10,485 --> 00:32:13,865
The current staff is eight writers,
I believe, and about as many

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00:32:13,865 --> 00:32:17,255
researchers, um, full time because
it's just an amazing amount of work.

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00:32:17,255 --> 00:32:20,535
You think about it every night,
we're seeing 61 clues, but there's

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00:32:20,545 --> 00:32:22,085
also extras in each category.

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00:32:22,335 --> 00:32:24,115
So there's like a dozen
clues you didn't see.

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00:32:24,415 --> 00:32:27,435
Um, there's all the play testing
and fact checking that has to go on.

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00:32:27,445 --> 00:32:29,105
And that's why there's
a staff of researchers.

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00:32:29,515 --> 00:32:34,535
Um, obviously we know gameplay swings on
That, and the writers are, uh, multiple,

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00:32:34,545 --> 00:32:36,495
multiple Emmy winning and well deserved.

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00:32:36,505 --> 00:32:39,385
They're the best in the business

and, you know, no TV show is more

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00:32:39,385 --> 00:32:40,595
reliant on words than Jeopardy.

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00:32:40,595 --> 00:32:42,155
We are so lucky to have them.

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00:32:42,315 --> 00:32:44,475
And two of them are here, Billy
and Michelle, our head writers.

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00:32:44,805 --> 00:32:44,825
Woo!

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00:32:48,035 --> 00:32:50,455
We also have a viewer question this week.

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00:32:50,455 --> 00:32:54,255
Sarah, this is, as you know,
it's what I'm always asking for.

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00:32:54,275 --> 00:32:59,105
Dory, uh, asks, I know that generally
you tape five to six episodes in a day.

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00:32:59,305 --> 00:33:02,935
What is the taping schedule for the
special tournaments like the JIT,

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00:33:03,025 --> 00:33:04,585
Masters, Tournaments of Champions?

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00:33:04,795 --> 00:33:07,975
Do you take multiple episodes
in a day or do these contestants

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00:33:07,985 --> 00:33:10,135
get more time between episodes?

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00:33:10,335 --> 00:33:12,405
Oh, well, it varies.

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00:33:12,485 --> 00:33:15,095

Uh, the most we've ever done
in a single day is seven.

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00:33:15,595 --> 00:33:19,915

That was in a tournament
of champions, uh, in 2022.

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00:33:19,915 --> 00:33:21,735

And we also threw in that exhibition game.

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00:33:21,735 --> 00:33:23,675

So that was a big, that was a big day.

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00:33:24,265 --> 00:33:29,375

Although when we do celebrity, we do
four hours in a day, which would be

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00:33:29,375 --> 00:33:30,915

the equivalent of eight half hours.

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00:33:31,365 --> 00:33:32,605

Yes, we do.

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00:33:32,855 --> 00:33:33,185

Yeah.

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00:33:33,650 --> 00:33:34,700

She didn't ask about that one, though.

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00:33:34,710 --> 00:33:35,390

Okay, got it.

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00:33:35,640 --> 00:33:36,540

I know, celebrity wasn't listed.

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00:33:37,270 --> 00:33:37,650

You're right.

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00:33:38,040 --> 00:33:41,590

But yes, an average is five to six for these tournaments, but

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00:33:41,590 --> 00:33:45,170
they do happen, you know, three days in a row, four days in a row.

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00:33:45,170 --> 00:33:49,640
There's no, there's no rest for the weary at Jeopardy, but that's, typically it's

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00:33:49,640 --> 00:33:54,270
about five episodes, but we get up to seven, and, uh, they are long days, and,

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00:33:54,280 --> 00:33:58,260
you know, at that level of play when you're in JIT, TOC, it's, it's a lot.

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00:33:58,280 --> 00:34:04,120
And for Masters, we do, uh, You know, we've done six games, three episodes

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00:34:04,120 --> 00:34:06,120
in a day, which is also a lot.

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00:34:06,210 --> 00:34:07,000
Yeah, it is a lot.

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00:34:07,080 --> 00:34:07,610
It is a lot.

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00:34:07,640 --> 00:34:10,100
It gets a little bit easier as the tournament goes on.

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00:34:10,100 --> 00:34:11,550
Yes, the days get shorter.

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00:34:12,390 --> 00:34:14,420
The days get shorter as the tension grows.

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00:34:14,490 --> 00:34:15,160
It's very, very true.

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00:34:15,440 --> 00:34:17,500
Well, that wraps up today's show, Michael.

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00:34:17,690 --> 00:34:21,580
As a reminder, Jeopardy Masters returns
tonight, so be sure to tune in and

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00:34:21,580 --> 00:34:24,970
join us right back here on Monday as
we break down each and every game.

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00:34:25,210 --> 00:34:29,830
And we're going to be speaking with
our fantastic director, Russell Norman.

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00:34:30,310 --> 00:34:34,690
Uh, darling, about the process of
directing Jeopardy and Jeopardy

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00:34:34,690 --> 00:34:37,490
Masters and talk to him about all the
other things he directs on television

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00:34:37,500 --> 00:34:40,100
like AGT and his great experience.

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00:34:40,100 --> 00:34:41,300
A wonderful, wonderful man.

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00:34:41,600 --> 00:34:42,620
Uh, we'll see you all then.

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00:34:42,900 --> 00:34:43,280
See you then.