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00:00:00,270 \longrightarrow 00:00:07,850
From the Alex Trebek stage at Sony
Picture Studios, this is Inside Jeopardy!
00:00:08,290 --> 00:00:12,580
Oh yes, well there it is, well
there it is for you, I should say.
3
00:00:12,940 \longrightarrow 00:00:17,779
Because in the, in the podcast
studio, we don't today, most days,
00:00:17,849 --> 00:00:19,449
we get to listen to the music, so.
5
00:00:19,804 --> 00:00:23,185
I don't have to fake enthusiasm
for Johnny's axe playing today.
00:00:23,444 --> 00:00:26,685
I was told, I was ordered actually
by producer Alexa to fake as much
00:00:26,685 --> 00:00:31,554
enthusiasm as I could for Johnny Guitar
on the axe, but I felt it was more
00:00:31,554 --> 00:00:33,535
important to be authentic on the podcast.
00:00:33,535 \longrightarrow 00:00:34,314
So I'm being authentic.
10
00:00:34,314 --> 00:00:35,574
We don't lie to the people.
11
00:00:35,575 \longrightarrow 00:00:39,185
We're not hearing it, but I'm sure
I hope everybody out there enjoyed
12
00:00:39,545 \longrightarrow 00:00:41,405
Johnny on the axe opening the podcast.
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13
00:00:41,435 --> 00:00:44,245
Welcome again to Inside Jeopardy,
your exclusive and official
14
00:00:44,245 --> 00:00:46,464
podcast destination for all things
happening in the world of Jeopardy.
15
00:00:46,464 --> 00:00:47,175
I'm Michael Davies.
16
00:00:47,415 --> 00:00:49,295
I'm here today with my sidekick.
17
00:00:50,070 --> 00:00:50,680
Producer Sarah Foss.
18
00:00:50,810 --> 00:00:52,030
My buddy, my sidekick.
00:00:52,440 --> 00:00:54,050
Michael, July 15th already.
20
00:00:54,050 --> 00:00:54,870
Can you believe it?
21
00:00:54,930 --> 00:01:00,470
And just one more podcast for this,
what has been a, a long season.
2.2
00:01:00,480 \longrightarrow 00:01:01,979
We're going to have one more podcast.
23
00:01:02,070 \longrightarrow 00:01:02,339
Yep.
24
00:01:02,620 --> 00:01:03,390
Next week.
00:01:03,420 --> 00:01:05,069
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And then we're going
to take a little break.
26
00:01:05,125 --> 00:01:07,925
And this is it, my last
podcast, this season.
27
00:01:07,965 --> 00:01:08,525
Of this season, okay.
28
00:01:08,535 --> 00:01:09,225
Yes, we
29
00:01:09,225 --> 00:01:10,915
cannot do it without you, my friend.
00:01:10,925 --> 00:01:11,045
Ι
31
00:01:11,045 --> 00:01:13,224
know, I've retired from several
podcasts this year already.
00:01:13,224 --> 00:01:14,344
I can't retire from another one.
33
00:01:14,355 --> 00:01:15,624
Not, not your best one.
34
00:01:15,705 --> 00:01:15,995
Yeah.
00:01:16,215 --> 00:01:20,004
We're also one week away from
the launch of the official
36
00:01:20,025 --> 00:01:22,214
commemorative Alex Trebek stamp.
00:01:22,244 --> 00:01:22,634
Very
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38
00:01:22,635 --> 00:01:23,595
excited about that.
00:01:23,654 --> 00:01:26,115
In one week, you can get
them at your post office.
40
00:01:26,115 --> 00:01:27,945
We know you'll be
visiting your post office.
41
00:01:27,965 --> 00:01:28,245
Oh,
42
00:01:28,315 --> 00:01:32,194
I visited my post office in Bridgehampton,
New York, uh, on an almost, on
43
00:01:32,195 --> 00:01:34,045
the, on the regs, Almost daily.
44
00:01:34,295 --> 00:01:38,215
Uh, in order to get as much, um,
credibility as I possibly can countdown
00:01:38,215 --> 00:01:38,744
on there?
00:01:38,765 \longrightarrow 00:01:39,475
Yeah, it is.
47
00:01:39,645 --> 00:01:40,675
They're very excited about it.
48
00:01:40,715 --> 00:01:41,075
All right.
49
00:01:41,075 --> 00:01:43,914
Well, maybe you can increase the
numbers there in, uh, Bridgehampton.
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00:01:43,925 --> 00:01:47,225
Again, we want this stamp to
be sold out in record time.
00:01:47,235 --> 00:01:49,194
The goal is Charles Schultz.
52
00:01:49,225 \longrightarrow 00:01:49,705
We can do it.
53
00:01:49,725 --> 00:01:50,165
Wonderful.
54
00:01:50,165 --> 00:01:50,274
We
00:01:50,274 --> 00:01:50,665
can do it.
56
00:01:50,944 --> 00:01:52,405
Um, Pop Culture Jeopardy.
57
00:01:52,744 --> 00:01:53,385
We should say.
58
00:01:53,755 --> 00:01:58,835
More than 50, 000 applications so far.
00:01:58,955 --> 00:02:00,255
More than applications.
60
00:02:00,285 --> 00:02:02,405
People have actually
taken the test so far.
61
00:02:02,405 --> 00:02:06,275
They've, they've, uh, managed
to cajole friends or, uh,
62
00:02:06,314 --> 00:02:08,274
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college roommates or coworkers.

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00:02:08,274 \longrightarrow 00:02:08,474
Maybe even
64
00:02:08,474 --> 00:02:11,094
not friends, just people who they
think might, you know, increase
00:02:11,094 --> 00:02:12,065
their odds of winning on their team.
00:02:12,065 --> 00:02:12,285
Yeah,
67
00:02:12,485 --> 00:02:15,325
and, uh, have applied
for the, for the program.
68
00:02:15,674 --> 00:02:16,625
Amazing contestants.
69
00:02:16,635 --> 00:02:18,575
Several notable Jeopardy!
70
00:02:18,714 \longrightarrow 00:02:19,035
alums.
71
00:02:19,065 --> 00:02:19,334
Ah, yes.
72
00:02:19,364 --> 00:02:20,584
We should say several.
73
00:02:20,585 --> 00:02:20,669
Several.
74
00:02:20,829 --> 00:02:22,950
Uh, celebrities have applied.
75
00:02:23,030 --> 00:02:24,739
We won't say who, but they're out there.
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76
00:02:24,850 --> 00:02:25,429
They're in the pool.
00:02:25,480 --> 00:02:27,940
And we don't know whether they're
going to get onto the program.
00:02:27,940 --> 00:02:28,540
We do not.
79
00:02:28,540 --> 00:02:32,869
Either, so we're now working with
our partners at Amazon and deciding
80
00:02:32,970 --> 00:02:38,559
who's going to make it into those
27 epic first round matchups.
00:02:38,589 --> 00:02:39,649
Yeah, it's going to be good.
82
00:02:39,920 --> 00:02:44,030
If you haven't done so already, you
can take the anytime test at jeopardy.
00:02:44,260 --> 00:02:44,670
com.
84
00:02:44,670 --> 00:02:49,120
Just get your two smartest buddies, form
a team of three, and Take the test and
00:02:49,120 --> 00:02:51,850
you could be part of pop culture Jeopardy.
86
00:02:51,860 --> 00:02:52,840
It's going to be great.
87
00:02:53,240 --> 00:02:56,050
And I think to have said you're
part of season one, it's going
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88
00:02:56,050 --> 00:02:57,020
to go down the record books.
00:02:57,100 --> 00:02:57,420
Yeah.
90
00:02:57,820 \longrightarrow 00:03:01,319
I mean, many people, when we talk
about this idea say, Oh, at last a,
00:03:01,640 \longrightarrow 00:03:05,499
a, a version of Jeopardy that I can
actually play, I can compete in.
92
00:03:05,980 --> 00:03:12,835
Having said that this is going
to be On brand Jeopardy hard.
93
00:03:13,295 --> 00:03:13,655
Yes.
94
00:03:13,715 --> 00:03:18,195
In fact, the, the percentage of,
we don't really have a passing score,
95
00:03:18,195 --> 00:03:22,655
but the percentage of scores over a
certain number that we're seeing on the
96
00:03:22,655 --> 00:03:27,965
Jeopardy pop culture test is exactly
the same percentage as we see on
97
00:03:27,965 --> 00:03:29,695
regular Jeopardy, on that test as well.
98
00:03:29,704 --> 00:03:37,385
So, um, it is not going to be a
cakewalk for anybody to get onto
99
00:03:37,385 \longrightarrow 00:03:40,624
the show and the level of these
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teams who are going to be there. 100 00:03:40,815 --> 00:03:42,873 It's not just like individuals competing against individuals. 101 00:03:42,873 --> 00:03:45,130 You don't just have to beat two people. 00:03:45,130 --> 00:03:45,412 Mm 103 00:03:45,412 --> 00:03:45,694 hmm. 104 00:03:46,054 --> 00:03:49,154 You have to beat six other people on other teams. 105 00:03:49,164 --> 00:03:51,224 You've got two teammates to help you do that. 106 00:03:51,515 --> 00:03:55,934 But the buzzer, the competition on the buzzer, the competition deep in 107 00:03:55,934 --> 00:03:57,334 the categories to know the answer. 108  $00:03:57,355 \longrightarrow 00:03:58,604$ We've done some run throughs. 109 00:03:58,634 --> 00:04:00,114 We did one actually earlier this week. 110  $00:04:00,475 \longrightarrow 00:04:05,244$ It's pretty, uh, intense with that many people competing on the stage. 111  $00:04:05,314 \longrightarrow 00:04:09,065$ Well, and you think pop culture is more

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of a, You know, a specific area, but
112
00:04:09,065 --> 00:04:11,355
it's that ability to recall quickly
113
00:04:11,755 --> 00:04:11,954
from
114
00:04:11,954 --> 00:04:15,385
a number of different areas
within the pop culture sphere.
00:04:15,385 --> 00:04:17,575
So it really is testing
knowledge in a new way.
116
00:04:17,954 --> 00:04:18,774
It's going to be great.
117
00:04:18,785 \longrightarrow 00:04:19,935
I'm so excited for it.
118
00:04:19,985 --> 00:04:22,525
And, uh, like I said, if
you haven't applied already.
119
00:04:22,780 --> 00:04:24,940
Get your team and get in now.
120
00:04:25,420 --> 00:04:28,320
Someone who, you know, he might
want to be on Pop Culture Jeopardy!
121
00:04:28,320 --> 00:04:33,570
Our current champ, Isaac Hirsch, who
ended the week as an eight game champion.
122
00:04:33,919 --> 00:04:38,739
I had the chance to catch up with him
after he secured that official TOC spot.
123
00:04:38,739 \longrightarrow 00:04:42,104
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He was feeling good, so we will share that conversation a little later.

124

00:04:42,284 --> 00:04:44,655 Later in the pod, but first, as always, let's take a look

125

00:04:44,684 --> 00:04:46,164 back at this week in Jeopardy!

126

00:04:46,164 --> 00:04:46,604 history.

127

00:04:51,544 --> 00:04:52,645 Jason, over to you now.

128

00:04:52,684 --> 00:04:54,274 25, 600.

129

00:04:54,275 --> 00:04:55,094 Most impressive.

130

00:04:55,565 --> 00:04:58,285
Your final response,
also, that is correct.

131

00:04:58,285 --> 00:05:00,084 It is the state of Arizona.

132

00:05:00,294 --> 00:05:04,645 And you risked only 1, 000, so you become the champ with 26, 600.

133

00:05:06,465 --> 00:05:09,395 And you get to come back next week to play in the final week

134

00:05:09,535 --> 00:05:11,276 of our regular season game.

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00:05:11,276 --> 00:05:11,619 25, 600.

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136
00:05:12,110 --> 00:05:13,400
We hope to see you on monday.
137
00:05:13,550 --> 00:05:14,800
Join us then won't you so long.
00:05:14,800 --> 00:05:15,710
That's
139
00:05:16,309 --> 00:05:21,879
2019 when we first witnessed
Jason Zafraneri competing
140
00:05:21,879 --> 00:05:23,109
on the Alex Trebek stage.
141
00:05:23,150 --> 00:05:26,549
He won that game in a runaway and
of course he went on to become a 19
142
00:05:26,900 --> 00:05:31,460
game jeopardy super champion over two
seasons because he ended one season and
143
00:05:31,460 --> 00:05:33,580
then came back as the returning champ.
144
00:05:33,619 --> 00:05:37,159
He then returned for the
2021 tournament of champions.
00:05:37,610 \longrightarrow 00:05:39,789
brought down by Jennifer
Quayle in the semis.
146
00:05:39,800 --> 00:05:43,170
He came back this year for
JIT, defeated by Larissa Kelly.
147
00:05:43,520 \longrightarrow 00:05:47,010
So despite not having as much recent
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success on the Alex Trebek stage, though,
148
00:05:47,010 --> 00:05:51,469
Jason continues to hold the eighth spot
on our leaderboard of legends, tied with
149
00:05:51,480 --> 00:05:53,799
David Madden for consecutive Games 1.
150
00:05:54,200 --> 00:05:58,570
And the seventh spot for highest
winnings in regular season play.
151
00:05:58,719 --> 00:05:59,729
Pretty impressive.
152
00:06:00,480 --> 00:06:03,260
All right, Michael, let's get
into the highlights on Monday.
153
00:06:03,260 --> 00:06:06,450
Isaac Hirsch returned for
his fourth win and absolutely
154
00:06:06,460 --> 00:06:08,820
dominated 30 correct responses.
155
00:06:08,820 --> 00:06:13,230
He ends double jeopardy
with 27, 400 and a runaway.
00:06:13,580 --> 00:06:13,760
Yeah.
00:06:13,770 --> 00:06:14,130
Amazing.
158
00:06:14,140 --> 00:06:17,370
18 correct responses for him
in the jeopardy round alone.
159
00:06:17,570 --> 00:06:19,150
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That ties the season high.
160
00:06:19,349 \longrightarrow 00:06:21,330
for most correct responses
in a single round.
161
00:06:21,460 --> 00:06:23,380
Yeah, very, very impressive.
162
00:06:23,610 --> 00:06:26,550
In the post game, Stephanie joked
that, you know, she thought Isaac was
163
00:06:26,550 --> 00:06:29,480
taking it easy on them with the buzzer
during the rehearsals and that it
164
00:06:29,480 --> 00:06:31,450
didn't feel that it was that uneven.
00:06:31,450 --> 00:06:34,839
And then Isaac explained that it, it's
very different in rehearsal and that
166
00:06:34,839 --> 00:06:36,909
he can't quite figure out his timing.
167
00:06:36,909 --> 00:06:39,570
He said, I swear, I'm not
sandbagging in rehearsal.
00:06:39,570 --> 00:06:41,880
I'm just not getting in.
169
00:06:41,890 --> 00:06:45,845
And a lot of our champions say that, you
know, and we, often during rehearsal.
170
00:06:45,845 --> 00:06:47,315
You'll kind of size up.
00:06:47,315 --> 00:06:49,255
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Oh, what's today's competition going to be like? 172 00:06:49,255 --> 00:06:52,565 You think you have someone who's clearly going to come in and kill it. 173 00:06:52,905 --> 00:06:55,645 And, you know, when they get up there with two other champions or two 174 00:06:55,645 --> 00:06:57,265 other contestants, it doesn't happen. 175 00:06:57,374 --> 00:06:57,594 176 00:06:57,645 --> 00:07:00,315 Or sometimes they can't get in at all during rehearsal and 177  $00:07:00,315 \longrightarrow 00:07:02,865$ then they get up there during the game and they're fantastic. 178 00:07:02,895 --> 00:07:04,315 They get on a, they get on a roll. 179 00:07:04,365 --> 00:07:05,765 We see it all on Jeopardy. 180 00:07:05,765 --> 00:07:09,675 This game also featured Scarlett Johansson doing a category 181 00:07:09,675 --> 00:07:11,799 about other, uh, Moon movies. 182 00:07:11,840 --> 00:07:16,139

She has Fly Me to the Moon with Channing

Tatum that came out last Friday.

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00:07:16,349 --> 00:07:16,769
Looking forward to seeing
184
00:07:16,769 --> 00:07:16,939
185
00:07:17,049 --> 00:07:18,739
Such a delight to work with her.
186
00:07:18,759 --> 00:07:19,859
She made time for us.
187
00:07:19,869 --> 00:07:21,359
She's a producer on that movie.
188
00:07:21,359 --> 00:07:24,539
So, in between cutting the film,
she was like, coming into another
189
00:07:24,539 --> 00:07:25,919
room to do this category with us.
190
00:07:25,919 --> 00:07:28,079
And just a lovely, lovely
person to work with.
191
00:07:28,090 --> 00:07:30,439
And I remember you telling me,
when you came back from the shoot,
192
00:07:30,449 \longrightarrow 00:07:33,219
how well she read the clues.
193
00:07:33,230 --> 00:07:38,485
Which isn't Or it's often something you
have to work with, um, our celebrity or,
194
00:07:38,485 --> 00:07:40,945
or notable clue readers to read the clues.
195
00:07:41,165 --> 00:07:43,985
She got it instantly, was a
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very, very good clue reader.
196
00:07:44,395 --> 00:07:48,154
And I think what that comes down to
is she is a very big fan of the show.
197
00:07:48,185 --> 00:07:51,955
She and her husband, uh, Colin
Jost, are big Jeopardy heads.
198
00:07:52,205 --> 00:07:54,525
Uh, they love the program and love
watching it together and you could really
199
00:07:54,525 --> 00:07:55,665
tell that in the way that she read it.
200
00:07:55,870 --> 00:07:56,910
Yes, absolutely.
00:07:56,990 --> 00:07:59,495
And some of the comments, I read the
comments, Yes, I was going to say.
202
00:07:59,495 \longrightarrow 00:08:01,740
And the comments were very, uh, very kind.
203
00:08:01,740 \longrightarrow 00:08:05,390
Saying, wow, this is a, this is
one of the best readers of clues
204
00:08:05,390 --> 00:08:06,769
that we've ever seen on Jeopardy.
00:08:06,780 \longrightarrow 00:08:07,409
It was very good.
206
00:08:07,760 \longrightarrow 00:08:11,379
Okay, Isaac returned on Tuesday, and
after an evenly matched Jeopardy round,
207
00:08:11,379 --> 00:08:13,649
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he really turned it on in Double Jeopardy. 208 00:08:13,649 --> 00:08:17,430 With the help of a 4, 000 daily double, he took a strong lead into final, where 209  $00:08:17,430 \longrightarrow 00:08:20,569$ he was the only player to come up with the correct response, solidifying the lead. 210 00:08:20,730 --> 00:08:23,330 His spot in the Tournament of Champions. 211 00:08:23,330 --> 00:08:26,710 Oh, he is now our sixth official qualifier. 212 00:08:27,000 --> 00:08:32,069 Lisa Ann Walter, Adriana Harmeyer, Drew Basile, Alison Betts, and Amy Hummel. 213 00:08:32,490 --> 00:08:34,959 It's stacking up to be a pretty good competition. 214 00:08:35,369 --> 00:08:39,059 In the postgame, Ken said to Isaac, Okay, you're now a bonafide 215 00:08:39,059 --> 00:08:40,960 Tournament of Champions contender. 216 00:08:40,960 --> 00:08:43,679 And Isaac joked, I don't know if I'd describe myself as a 217 00:08:43,679 --> 00:08:45,670 contender, but I will be there. 218

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00:08:46,010 --> 00:08:48,039

And then Ken asked about how he feels.

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00:08:48,040 --> 00:08:48,939
You know, he's gonna go up.
220
00:08:49,194 --> 00:08:53,314
Against people like Lisa Ann Walter
and Isaac joked, It's hard to say,
221
00:08:53,314 --> 00:08:54,985
but I will definitely be starstruck.
222
00:08:55,295 --> 00:08:58,235
I did comedy for a period
of time and she is far more
223
00:08:58,235 --> 00:09:00,055
successful than I am at comedy.
224
00:09:00,525 --> 00:09:02,285
But Jeopardy, who knows?
225
00:09:02,805 --> 00:09:06,115
Another funny thing about Isaac is that,
you know, he didn't really reveal that
226
00:09:06,115 --> 00:09:08,074
he was a comedian until later in his run.
227
00:09:08,074 --> 00:09:10,824
But he said he's not that good.
228
00:09:10,985 --> 00:09:13,204
And so, you know, when you tell
someone you're a comedian, then
229
00:09:13,204 --> 00:09:14,525
they expect you to be funny.
230
00:09:14,525 --> 00:09:18,045
So he didn't really want to talk
about the fact that he is a comedian.
231
00:09:18,054 --> 00:09:18,284
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But.
232
00:09:18,465 --> 00:09:20,765
I did catch up with him
right after this big win.
233
00:09:20,775 --> 00:09:21,615
Let's take a listen.
234
00:09:21,765 --> 00:09:26,165
Isaac Hirsch, five game champion
headed to the tournament of champions.
235
00:09:26,165 --> 00:09:26,855
How does it feel?
236
00:09:27,085 --> 00:09:30,774
I think I've used the word
surreal like probably 20 times
00:09:30,785 \longrightarrow 00:09:32,715
in the past couple hours.
00:09:32,895 --> 00:09:33,695
It is surreal.
239
00:09:33,695 --> 00:09:34,794
It is very surreal.
240
00:09:34,824 --> 00:09:39,025
You know, the goal coming in was to win
one or two games, not embarrass myself.
241
00:09:39,025 --> 00:09:43,675
So this was surprising
and welcome and I love it.
242
00:09:43,705 --> 00:09:47,295
But yeah, I'm still just sort
of hasn't really set in yet.
00:09:47,670 \longrightarrow 00:09:52,150
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Well, I would say this is a victory years
in the making for your family, obviously
244
00:09:52,150 --> 00:09:55,310
your dad, a contestant back in the 80s.
245
00:09:55,620 --> 00:09:57,050
What does he think of all this?
246
00:09:57,160 --> 00:09:57,920
He doesn't know.
247
00:09:58,080 --> 00:10:01,530
I, I, I called him after win
number three and I was like, do
248
00:10:01,530 --> 00:10:02,419
you want to know how it went?
249
00:10:02,419 --> 00:10:03,130
He said, no.
250
00:10:04,109 --> 00:10:06,660
I said, okay, well, I was going to
invite them to fly to California
2.51
00:10:06,660 --> 00:10:07,890
to like watch the next taping.
252
00:10:08,530 --> 00:10:09,560
And I can't do that now.
00:10:09,570 --> 00:10:10,610
Cause that would reveal how I did.
254
00:10:10,610 --> 00:10:12,930
So this is still completely
a mystery to them.
255
00:10:12,970 --> 00:10:14,570
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Does he know you won one game?

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256
00:10:14,660 --> 00:10:14,840
No.
257
00:10:15,240 --> 00:10:15,839
Oh my goodness.
258
00:10:15,870 --> 00:10:16,110
He has
259
00:10:16,110 --> 00:10:16,540
no idea.
260
00:10:16,570 --> 00:10:17,210
No idea.
261
00:10:17,250 --> 00:10:17,530
None.
262
00:10:17,785 --> 00:10:19,085
This is so exciting.
263
00:10:19,095 --> 00:10:19,475
I know.
264
00:10:19,495 --> 00:10:23,475
So I love messing with him where I'm
just like, look, it's, it's July 3rd.
265
00:10:23,535 --> 00:10:24,165
Watch it.
266
00:10:24,185 --> 00:10:26,524
You know, you can have
a party if you want, but
267
00:10:27,355 --> 00:10:27,475
I'm
268
00:10:27,475 --> 00:10:30,595
trying to play up that, you know,
it's uncertain what happened.
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269
00:10:30,694 --> 00:10:31,334
I love this.
270
00:10:31,385 --> 00:10:34,744
Now, what did he think when you just
said, I'm going to go be a contestant?
271
00:10:34,745 --> 00:10:35,905
Did he have any advice?
272
00:10:35,925 --> 00:10:38,300
Was he like, you know, You
know, go avenge for the family.
273
00:10:38,300 --> 00:10:39,550
Like what were his words of wisdom?
274
00:10:39,860 --> 00:10:41,690
Uh, he was just like, you know, have fun.
275
00:10:42,430 --> 00:10:45,630
Like he, he just said, you
know, just, just have fun.
276
00:10:45,710 --> 00:10:47,660
If you lose, it's not that big a deal.
277
00:10:47,849 --> 00:10:49,500
That's from experience, I guess.
278
00:10:49,550 --> 00:10:52,649
Uh, so yeah, he was, they
were very excited for me.
279
00:10:52,660 --> 00:10:54,659
You know, this is, again, it's
a long time in the making.
280
00:10:54,660 --> 00:10:55,870
I watched Jeopardy as a kid.
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281
00:10:56,220 --> 00:10:59,940
Jeopardy has always been the goal
and like all my trivia pursuits.
282
00:10:59,950 --> 00:11:02,510
So yeah, this has been just
a wonderful experience.
283
00:11:02,840 --> 00:11:05,300
And what has your journey
to Jeopardy been like?
284
00:11:05,300 --> 00:11:07,260
Have you been trying
for some time to get on?
285
00:11:07,260 --> 00:11:08,800
Is this a recent endeavor?
286
00:11:08,950 --> 00:11:11,790
Well, I auditioned for Adult
Jeopardy when I was in college,
287
00:11:11,800 --> 00:11:13,120
which was a very silly move.
288
00:11:13,120 --> 00:11:14,390
I'm like, I could have
done college Jeopardy.
289
00:11:14,390 --> 00:11:15,329
I have no idea what Yeah,
what are you thinking?
290
00:11:15,980 --> 00:11:19,209
Literally, I was like, but you can win
forever on Adult Jeopardy, which is
00:11:19,209 --> 00:11:22,045
like, Not a good financial decision.
292
00:11:22,074 --> 00:11:24,265
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Oh, it worked this time, but it would
not have worked for me in college.
293
00:11:24,265 --> 00:11:27,675
I would not have won more than like
one game in college probably, but
294
00:11:27,765 --> 00:11:28,954
you've been learning since then.
295
00:11:28,995 --> 00:11:29,324
Yes.
296
00:11:29,355 --> 00:11:31,994
And that was the last time I did an
in person audition until the most
297
00:11:31,994 --> 00:11:33,735
recent one, which I did in like 2022.
00:11:33,784 --> 00:11:34,054
So,
00:11:34,064 --> 00:11:34,625
WOW.
300
00:11:34,704 --> 00:11:35,984
Why were you waiting all this time?
301
00:11:36,564 --> 00:11:38,054
I did the online test here and there.
00:11:38,054 --> 00:11:40,074
I just maybe didn't pass
it or, you know, who knows?
303
00:11:40,675 --> 00:11:43,755
Well, this is good advice because we
always tell people, you know, if at
304
00:11:43,755 --> 00:11:45,625
first you don't succeed, try, try again.
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305
00:11:45,815 --> 00:11:48,745
Here you are headed to the
tournament of champions.
306
00:11:49,125 --> 00:11:51,324
What do you think about
your competitors so far?
307
00:11:51,745 --> 00:11:55,925
They all seem really good You know you
watch people on TV go on big streaks,
308
00:11:55,925 --> 00:12:00,664
and you're like well I there that I could
never do that and somehow I've done it so
309
00:12:00,664 --> 00:12:04,165
you know Maybe they're just like me and
they're also like, I can't believe it.
310
00:12:04,205 --> 00:12:04,725
It's true.
311
00:12:04,775 \longrightarrow 00:12:06,325
That is what many of them say.
312
00:12:06,335 --> 00:12:08,995
So, you know, you're
speaking now like a Jeopardy!
00:12:08,995 --> 00:12:09,515
champion.
00:12:09,585 --> 00:12:09,875
Yeah.
315
00:12:09,894 --> 00:12:12,075
I guess we're all comparing
ourselves to like James Holzhauer
316
00:12:12,075 --> 00:12:15,264
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when the reality is we're all just regular, mostly regular people.

317 00:12:15,264 --> 00:12:17,695 And then there's a few James Holzhauers out there.

318 00:12:18,255 --> 00:12:21,655 One thing I think when I watch you is you're just a likable champion.

319
00:12:21,655 --> 00:12:24,805
I think people are rooting for you just because you seem like a nice guy.

320 00:12:24,925 --> 00:12:27,505 Well, you know, I'm trying to have fun with it and not take it

321 00:12:27,515 --> 00:12:31,265 too seriously because I think you can get in your own head a lot.

322 00:12:31,294 --> 00:12:34,525 And so I'm just trying to basically be like just a loose

323 00:12:34,545 --> 00:12:37,185 quiz playing automaton up here.

324 00:12:37,185 --> 00:12:40,245 And you know, if I mess up, I, which I have, and I've said

325 00:12:40,245 --> 00:12:41,535 lots of silly wrong answers.

326 00:12:41,535 --> 00:12:45,104 So what, you know, it's, it's, it's just comes with the territory.

327 00:12:45,330 --> 00:12:47,890 What's been the best part

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of this experience so far?
328
00:12:48,120 --> 00:12:50,540
I mean, it's, it's everything I
could have dreamed it would be.
329
00:12:51,110 --> 00:12:54,700
But having my girlfriend here for
all of it has been just so great.
330
00:12:54,810 --> 00:12:58,130
Uh, it's just you know, I can I
can I just keep making eye contact
331
00:12:58,130 --> 00:12:59,650
with her being like what the heck?
332
00:13:00,260 --> 00:13:03,400
Yeah, but uh, yeah that's been the nice
part is that like I get to actually share
333
00:13:03,400 --> 00:13:06,499
it with somebody instead of just like
Keeping this to myself the entire time.
334
00:13:06,499 --> 00:13:07,459
That's been really wonderful.
335
00:13:07,689 --> 00:13:11,349
Well, it's been incredible to
watch so far Good luck as your run
336
00:13:11,349 --> 00:13:14,280
continues and congratulations on
making the tournament of champions.
337
00:13:14,280 --> 00:13:14,469
Thank
00:13:14,469 --> 00:13:14,930
you so much.
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00:13:14,930 --> 00:13:19,800
I'm i'm excited for it Amazing
and he hasn't even told his dad
00:13:20,045 --> 00:13:20,655
I love that.
341
00:13:20,745 --> 00:13:20,975
I know.
342
00:13:20,975 --> 00:13:21,255
I know.
343
00:13:21,305 --> 00:13:25,265
The dad does not even know that all these
years later, there is a Hirsch Jeopardy
344
00:13:25,275 --> 00:13:27,375
champion and one who's headed to the TOC.
00:13:27,615 --> 00:13:30,714
Well, he, he must know by now,
having watched it in, in time.
346
00:13:30,714 --> 00:13:31,113
Well, yes.
347
00:13:31,113 --> 00:13:32,511
Now I think the secret is out.
348
00:13:32,511 --> 00:13:33,309
I suppose now, yeah.
349
00:13:33,309 --> 00:13:33,908
I would say.
350
00:13:33,908 --> 00:13:34,507
Uh, one imagines.
351
00:13:34,507 --> 00:13:37,135
A few people might have, uh, you
know, keyed him into that happening.
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352
00:13:37,574 --> 00:13:40,324
Well, moving on to Wednesday's
game, Isaac going up against
353
00:13:40,324 --> 00:13:42,765
challengers Alex Pribble and Larry P.
354
00:13:42,765 --> 00:13:43,475
Wellington.
355
00:13:43,834 --> 00:13:47,954
It was a strong Jeopardy round for
Isaac, but both Alex and Larry fought
356
00:13:47,964 --> 00:13:51,365
hard in double Jeopardy to stay
in contention heading into final.
357
00:13:51,674 --> 00:13:55,734
All three players were correct, but
it was Isaac who notched another win.
358
00:13:56,055 --> 00:13:56,885
This was a great game.
359
00:13:56,895 --> 00:13:58,625
Let's hear how the players
were feeling after it.
360
00:13:59,260 --> 00:14:01,510
These games have been getting
a little closer, Isaac.
00:14:01,560 --> 00:14:02,230
I don't like it.
362
00:14:04,670 --> 00:14:06,940
Alex, you found both the Daily
Doubles in the second round.
363
00:14:06,940 --> 00:14:07,080
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Yeah,
364
00:14:07,080 --> 00:14:08,000
I wasn't trying to.
365
00:14:08,980 --> 00:14:11,360
Well, Isaac didn't look super happy
about it, but honestly, keeping
366
00:14:11,360 --> 00:14:15,089
them out of Larry's hands did
Isaac a great service there, so Oh,
367
00:14:15,110 --> 00:14:15,650
sorry, Larry.
368
00:14:16,550 --> 00:14:17,360
Hey, it happens.
369
00:14:17,720 --> 00:14:19,449
That was an interesting moment.
370
00:14:19,590 --> 00:14:22,920
Isaac had almost gotten control
back, but had said, Paradisio!
371
00:14:23,380 --> 00:14:24,689
Instead of paradiso.
372
00:14:24,730 --> 00:14:28,270
Yeah, and that's that robbed you of
that daily double, but let's I wouldn't
373
00:14:28,270 --> 00:14:30,090
have gotten the daily Yeah, I wouldn't I
374
00:14:30,090 --> 00:14:30,860
wouldn't have gotten it right.
375
00:14:30,910 --> 00:14:34,470
I don't think I mean you never know
what you're gonna say, but I don't
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376
00:14:34,470 --> 00:14:35,360
think I would have come up with that.
377
00:14:35,369 --> 00:14:38,630
So i'm you know what i'm glad I
got i'm glad i've added an eye
378
00:14:38,640 --> 00:14:40,079
To paradiso that's fine with me
379
00:14:40,719 --> 00:14:41,749
That's your new favorite novel.
380
00:14:41,760 --> 00:14:44,060
You're gonna borrow a book from
larry and name all your kids
381
00:14:44,060 --> 00:14:47,340
after misspelled dante Right
00:14:47,625 --> 00:14:51,035
Yes, I can't wait to, you know,
have my, uh, kid Infernio.
383
00:14:53,985 --> 00:14:54,645
That was a great game.
384
00:14:54,645 --> 00:14:56,665
You two were very good with the old cars.
385
00:14:56,685 --> 00:14:59,954
I was impressed by the, the
Peugeot buzz because I didn't think
386
00:14:59,955 --> 00:15:01,165
anybody was going to try for that,
387
00:15:01,235 --> 00:15:01,605
Larry.
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00:15:01,725 --> 00:15:02,445
It was up there.
389
00:15:02,445 --> 00:15:04,304
I managed to pull it
out at the last second.
390
00:15:04,454 --> 00:15:05,845
There's a bunch of French automakers.
391
00:15:05,855 --> 00:15:07,245
You were sure it was Peugeot?
392
00:15:07,265 --> 00:15:07,865
You weren't tempted by it?
00:15:07,865 --> 00:15:08,545
Pretty confident.
394
00:15:08,925 --> 00:15:09,465
Well done.
395
00:15:09,535 --> 00:15:10,645
Because that's the only one I know.
396
00:15:13,305 --> 00:15:14,405
That does make it easier.
397
00:15:14,730 --> 00:15:17,860
And then nobody else knew Macular
Degeneration, Alex, but, uh They
00:15:17,860 --> 00:15:19,450
air commercials all the
time during Jeopardy.
399
00:15:19,450 --> 00:15:26,479
Well, I never see them, but I
guess that could be the problem.
400
00:15:27,000 --> 00:15:27,410
There you go.
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401
00:15:28,109 --> 00:15:32,149
But Larry, you gave a very tough champ a
real run for his money, so congratulations
402
00:15:32,150 --> 00:15:33,320
on playing well, both of you.
403
00:15:33,349 --> 00:15:33,690
thank you.
404
00:15:33,900 --> 00:15:35,780
And you're going for Lucky 7.
405
00:15:36,190 --> 00:15:37,220
Tomorrow, Isaac.
406
00:15:37,240 --> 00:15:38,910
Is the fatigue setting in?
407
00:15:39,150 \longrightarrow 00:15:39,500
How does this work?
408
00:15:39,520 --> 00:15:39,830
Well, yeah,
409
00:15:39,830 --> 00:15:43,240
it's definitely a marathon, not a
sprint doing all these jeopardies.
410
00:15:43,300 --> 00:15:46,220
Yeah, I'm slowing down a little bit,
so we're gonna have some caffeine after
411
00:15:46,220 --> 00:15:48,250
this game, and we'll see how we feel.
412
00:15:49,030 --> 00:15:51,889
We'll see how a caffeinated
Isaac plays in Game 7.
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00:15:51,939 --> 00:15:52,880 Congratulations to you.

414

00:15:52,950 --> 00:15:53,814 Good game, everybody.

415

00:15:54,435 --> 00:15:55,065 Larry P.

416

00:15:55,065 --> 00:15:55,575 Wellington.

417

00:15:56,355 --> 00:15:57,605 That's an all time Jeopardy!

418

00:15:57,605 --> 00:15:58,285 great name.

419

00:15:58,475 --> 00:15:59,525 Love a middle initial.

420

00:15:59,635 --> 00:16:02,585 Yeah, Ken joked, we rarely get middle initials on Jeopardy!

421

 $00:16:02,795 \longrightarrow 00:16:04,225$  And this is exciting.

422

00:16:04,235 --> 00:16:08,184 Okay, on Thursday, Isaac continued his strong gameplay where despite

423

00:16:08,195 --> 00:16:10,484 not finding either of the Daily Doubles in Double Jeopardy!

424

00:16:10,495 --> 00:16:13,617 he was able to cruise into a runaway win becoming only the third

425

00:16:13,617 --> 00:16:19,399 player in Season 40 to reach seven

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426
00:16:19,400 --> 00:16:22,330
in the post game, Liz from this
game, she joked that, you know,
427
00:16:22,330 --> 00:16:25,210
she's now going to be rooting
for Isaac to break Ken's record.
428
00:16:25,210 --> 00:16:26,969
And Ken said, Isaac, what do you think?
429
00:16:26,969 --> 00:16:28,639
You have just 68 more to go.
430
00:16:28,639 --> 00:16:32,089
And Isaac joked, I don't know
if I have enough, uh, PTO.
431
00:16:32,100 --> 00:16:34,869
To which Ken responded, let me
tell you a little secret about
432
00:16:34,869 --> 00:16:36,680
winning 70 plus games on Jeopardy.
433
00:16:37,049 --> 00:16:38,300
You no longer need PTO.
434
00:16:38,459 --> 00:16:40,170
PTO or the job
435
00:16:40,530 --> 00:16:41,384
That's so good.
00:16:41,819 --> 00:16:42,449
That's so good.
437
00:16:42,689 --> 00:16:45,300
Well, on Friday we closed out the
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wins after Adriana Harmeier And

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week with a great game between
438
00:16:45,300 --> 00:16:47,369
Isaac and Challenger Mike Ferguson.
439
00:16:47,369 --> 00:16:50,879
After a strong jeopardy round from
both players, Isaac was dominating
440
00:16:50,879 --> 00:16:55,079
double jeopardy until Mike responded
correctly to a huge $6,000 daily
441
00:16:55,084 --> 00:16:57,180
double helping him stay in contention.
442
00:16:57,185 --> 00:16:59,270
At the end of the round, both Isaac.
443
00:16:59,435 --> 00:17:02,275
and Mike were able to come up with
the correct response in final,
444
00:17:02,695 --> 00:17:06,655
but it's Isaac who heads into the
weekend as an eight game Jeopardy!
445
00:17:06,655 --> 00:17:07,284
champion.
446
00:17:07,375 --> 00:17:09,554
Yep, and this was his
biggest payday so far.
00:17:09,554 --> 00:17:11,155
34, 001.
00:17:11,315 --> 00:17:11,964
That's not bad.
449
00:17:12,034 --> 00:17:14,785
Ken caught up with Isaac one
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last time before the weekend.
450
00:17:14,785 --> 00:17:15,325
Take a listen.
451
00:17:15,804 --> 00:17:17,174
Mike, that was a fantastic game.
452
00:17:17,284 --> 00:17:17,964
Oh, thank you.
453
00:17:18,054 --> 00:17:20,564
You made that big wager on the
Daily Double when you needed it.
454
00:17:20,714 --> 00:17:21,615
Did you know it right away?
455
00:17:21,635 --> 00:17:23,135
Sometimes those word ones are tough.
00:17:23,175 --> 00:17:23,865
Objective.
00:17:23,935 --> 00:17:24,335
Yeah.
458
00:17:24,944 --> 00:17:25,744
Not right away.
459
00:17:25,794 --> 00:17:26,294
Took a moment.
00:17:27,055 --> 00:17:28,695
Well, you must've been
relieved when it came to you.
00:17:28,855 --> 00:17:29,995
Yes, very.
462
00:17:30,225 --> 00:17:31,945
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You came up with your final Jeopardy!
463
00:17:31,945 --> 00:17:33,955
response after a pretty long pause.
464
00:17:34,015 --> 00:17:37,965
I debated between Sabin and Salk for
a while because it was like, timeline
465
00:17:38,025 --> 00:17:40,534
wise, which one makes more sense.
466
00:17:40,534 --> 00:17:45,085
And first I thought of Salk and then
I thought of Sabin and I had multiple
467
00:17:45,085 --> 00:17:48,785
times in this game went with my second
guess and been wrong every single time.
00:17:48,785 --> 00:17:50,965
So I was like, screw it, we're
going with the first guess.
469
00:17:50,995 --> 00:17:52,135
And thankfully that was right.
470
00:17:52,365 --> 00:17:55,015
You've talked about the little voice
that tells you when to buzz, but
471
00:17:55,315 --> 00:17:56,705
Sometimes there's two little voices.
00:17:57,265 --> 00:17:58,935
One saying Salk and one saying Saban.
473
00:17:58,995 --> 00:18:01,865
And then you, I guess, I guess I'm gonna
go with the first voice from now on.
00:18:01,865 --> 00:18:03,465
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Second voice is wrong, generally it seems like. 475 00:18:04,585 --> 00:18:06,015 That is often what happens I find. 476 00:18:06,025 --> 00:18:08,954 Like, if you find you've been too conservative, and a few clues go by 477 00:18:08,955 --> 00:18:12,435 that you knew, then you become a little more reckless, and, and vice versa. 478 00:18:12,904 --> 00:18:15,205 But, Mike, congratulations on a great game, and really 479 00:18:15,255 --> 00:18:16,545 putting the champ to the test. 480 00:18:16,585 --> 00:18:18,455 You really showed your stuff, and we do have a second chance 481 00:18:18,485 --> 00:18:21,810 tournament now for, Players who are unfortunate to come up against a 482 00:18:21,810 --> 00:18:23,399 long running champ like this one, so. 483 00:18:23,649 --> 00:18:24,810 I would love it if I had the chance. 484 00:18:24,830 --> 00:18:26,300 You may be back, I don't know.

485

00:18:26,300 --> 00:18:28,959 Like, of all the players today, only you have, uh, have made a

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00:18:28,959 --> 00:18:30,659
dog throw up and saved its life.
487
00:18:32,120 --> 00:18:34,429
Unless, unless Isaac and Ashley have
a story they would like to tell.
488
00:18:35,100 --> 00:18:38,729
Maybe the first part,
but not the second part.
489
00:18:38,729 --> 00:18:39,899
You're now up to eight wins.
490
00:18:39,969 --> 00:18:41,770
You're getting close to 200k, Isaac.
491
00:18:41,770 --> 00:18:44,020
Like, what are your plans
for the winnings, if any?
492
00:18:44,389 \longrightarrow 00:18:47,350
Well, we didn't, we didn't plan
for me winning this much money.
493
00:18:47,659 --> 00:18:50,520
So the plans were just like, we're
going to use the money to live.
494
00:18:50,520 --> 00:18:54,850
And now we're getting past living
territory to like, we can do stuff
00:18:55,110 --> 00:18:57,690
territory and we'll have to discuss it.
496
00:18:57,700 --> 00:18:58,480
My girlfriend and I,
497
00:18:58,570 --> 00:19:00,520
very hard to spend 200 K at Trader Joe's.
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00:19:00,520 --> 00:19:01,530
Like you're going to have to,
499
00:19:02,659 --> 00:19:03,230
we'll do it.
500
00:19:05,850 --> 00:19:07,190
Those pretzels are so good.
501
00:19:07,480 --> 00:19:08,570
Do you have bigger plans?
502
00:19:08,570 --> 00:19:09,450
Like, what would that be?
503
00:19:09,450 --> 00:19:10,280
Is it a trip?
504
00:19:10,280 --> 00:19:11,915
Is it a, Is it dead?
00:19:11,915 --> 00:19:12,834
Is it a house?
506
00:19:12,894 --> 00:19:14,215
I, we live in California.
507
00:19:14,215 --> 00:19:15,175
It's never going to be a house.
508
00:19:16,455 --> 00:19:20,685
I would have to win 75 times for us to
be able to maybe buy a house in Burbank.
509
00:19:20,704 --> 00:19:22,474
But yeah, I mean, a trip would be nice.
510
00:19:22,475 --> 00:19:23,165
Maybe we'll do a trip.
00:19:23,175 --> 00:19:23,495
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I don't know.
512
00:19:23,524 --> 00:19:25,634
We'll go to Sweden cause she's
my girlfriend's from Sweden.
513
00:19:25,704 --> 00:19:28,624
I'm not trying to tell you what to do with
your, but this is not part of the game.
514
00:19:28,675 --> 00:19:30,374
Uh, you don't, you
don't have to please me.
515
00:19:30,374 --> 00:19:31,165
You do whatever you like.
516
00:19:31,165 --> 00:19:31,644
What is invested,
517
00:19:31,844 --> 00:19:32,094
Ken?
518
00:19:32,324 --> 00:19:33,014
What is invested?
519
00:19:33,455 --> 00:19:34,995
Very smart, but boring for an interview.
520
00:19:35,034 --> 00:19:35,804
Yeah, absolutely.
521
00:19:35,915 --> 00:19:36,104
Yeah.
522
00:19:36,104 --> 00:19:37,304
Something a little more, you know,
523
00:19:37,594 --> 00:19:37,794
new
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00:19:37,794 --> 00:19:38,114
car.
525
00:19:38,114 --> 00:19:38,524
Who knows?
526
00:19:38,534 --> 00:19:39,584
Give it some thought tonight.
00:19:39,584 --> 00:19:39,934
Yeah.
528
00:19:39,935 --> 00:19:39,994
Yeah.
529
00:19:40,375 --> 00:19:42,895
Well, congratulations, and
we'll see how long you can go.
530
00:19:42,905 --> 00:19:44,114
Game nine coming up next week.
531
00:19:44,649 --> 00:19:45,070
You know I'm going
532
00:19:45,070 --> 00:19:46,020
to say it, Michael.
533
00:19:46,110 --> 00:19:48,459
Oh, you're talking about
second chance contenders.
00:19:48,669 --> 00:19:49,159
It's your favorite.
535
00:19:49,540 --> 00:19:50,169
It's your favorite.
536
00:19:50,520 --> 00:19:54,540
We really need to get a sponsor for you
talking about second chance contenders.
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537
00:19:54,750 --> 00:19:58,449
About the seven and a half thousand
second chance contenders you have already
538
00:19:58,489 --> 00:19:59,949
for the next second chance tournament.
539
00:20:00,370 \longrightarrow 00:20:06,709
But Mike Ferguson, 16 correct, a 6,
000 daily double, a 17, 000 score after
540
00:20:06,709 --> 00:20:08,719
double jeopardy, correct and final.
541
00:20:09,210 --> 00:20:11,139
Gotta say, he's gotta
be in the conversation.
542
00:20:11,425 --> 00:20:14,635
Well, moving on to this week's host,
Chad, an audience member asked, Ken,
543
00:20:15,145 --> 00:20:16,785
when do you review game material?
544
00:20:16,895 --> 00:20:20,204
I tend to look at the clues the
night before Alex would come in
545
00:20:20,215 --> 00:20:21,535
bright and early in the morning.
00:20:21,875 --> 00:20:24,005
Uh, you know, he'd get here at
six and go through all the games.
547
00:20:24,014 --> 00:20:25,384
I wish I had that work ethic.
548
00:20:25,384 --> 00:20:27,774
I, I looked at these games last night.
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549
00:20:28,105 --> 00:20:32,975
And, uh, if I do it here on the lot,
we have a library where the writers
550
00:20:32,975 --> 00:20:35,625
work, you know, fully equipped
reference library just for research
5.51
00:20:35,625 --> 00:20:37,515
and, and fact checking stuff.
552
00:20:37,835 --> 00:20:40,960
And if I stay there where there's
no distractions, If I put my phone
553
00:20:40,960 --> 00:20:44,960
away, I can usually get through five
or six games in an hour and a half.
554
00:20:45,010 --> 00:20:47,740
Um, because I just want to make
sure I can pronounce everything.
555
00:20:47,970 --> 00:20:51,310
Alex had a little notation he would
do of like, how he wanted to say
556
00:20:51,310 --> 00:20:53,190
the clues, which words to emphasize.
557
00:20:53,595 --> 00:20:57,285
There's kind of a musicality to it,
and I, I got some of his pages, and
558
00:20:57,285 --> 00:20:58,855
I kind of learned his system, so.
559
00:20:59,445 --> 00:21:01,595
Yeah, I just want to make sure
it's as easy as possible on the
560
00:21:01,595 --> 00:21:04,654
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contestants, and I have a lot of power to make the clues easier to hear.

561 00:21:05,035 --> 00:21:07,035 Yeah, Ken says, you know, he's not a morning person.

562 00:21:07,175 --> 00:21:07,695 He's not.

563 00:21:07,704 --> 00:21:09,564 Alex used to be here at 6, 6.

564 00:21:09,564 --> 00:21:10,665 30 in the morning to review the games.

00:21:10,694 --> 00:21:11,674 Ken's a night owl.

566 00:21:11,675 --> 00:21:12,735 He also did the night before.

567 00:21:12,755 --> 00:21:16,355 Yeah, and I gotta say, it is, uh, I'm reading through a lot

568 00:21:16,355 --> 00:21:17,485 of the pop culture Jeopardy!

569 00:21:17,485 --> 00:21:18,715 material right now.

570 00:21:19,345 --> 00:21:20,315 It is one.

571 00:21:21,650 --> 00:21:26,580 It's a glorious part of the job, but it is also exhausting.

572 00:21:26,680 --> 00:21:30,250 At a certain point, all clues start to blend into each other.

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573
00:21:30,580 --> 00:21:34,090
But it is a, uh, I really
admire how much work.
574
00:21:34,810 --> 00:21:39,560
He puts into that material, and we
really see that, uh, coming across
575
00:21:39,560 --> 00:21:41,000
on the television program every day.
576
00:21:41,120 --> 00:21:44,729
Yeah, 8 to 12 seconds in each of those
clues, but the way the writers craft
577
00:21:44,730 --> 00:21:48,070
them, every single word is chosen
for a reason, and therefore needs
578
00:21:48,070 --> 00:21:52,200
to be delivered in a certain way for
a reason, and Ken does it so well.
579
00:21:52,970 --> 00:21:54,440
Michael, I might shed a tear.
580
00:21:54,440 --> 00:21:57,280
This brings us to the end of
today's show and your last pod
00:21:57,280 --> 00:21:58,710
appearance until next season.
00:21:58,840 \longrightarrow 00:21:59,370
I can't do it.
00:22:00,030 --> 00:22:00,390
Buzzy.
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00:22:00,399 --> 00:22:01,440
And I can't shed a tear.
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585 00:22:01,500 --> 00:22:02,890 I can't

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00:22:02,890 --> 00:22:05,779
do it without a summer
break without Buzzy.

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 $00:22:05,779 \longrightarrow 00:22:09,540$ And I will be back on Monday for one last pod this season to

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00:22:09,540 --> 00:22:13,460 discuss another exciting week of games before our short hiatus.

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00:22:13,620 --> 00:22:14,590 We will see you all then.

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00:22:14,990 --> 00:22:15,330 Farewell.