
PENN JILLETTE'S BOX OF PROPS—SOLUTION!



This acrostic puzzle involves some award-winning mischief! Each of the feeder answers corresponds to a different form of media that won the highest U.S. honor for its field: ALL IN THE FAMILY (Television/Emmy), POKER FACE (Music/Grammy), THE STING (Film/Oscar), and HADESTOWN (Theatre/Tony). The connection is clued by the phrase “Everybody get on thinking,” or EGOT—the term for a performer who’s won all four awards—in both difficulty levels and the phrase “award-winning” in Teen Titans mode.

Each acrostic clue contains the letter E, G, O, or T (and, in one case, two of those letters) and a number; solvers should replace the letter-number combo with the appropriate words from the feeder answers, allowing them to answer the clues.

A. Director of *THE TOWN*

A	F	F	L	E	C	K
54	31	63	16	75	96	43

B. 2001 film *IN THE* _____

B	E	D	R	O	O	M
6	28	4	70	90	24	47

C. Group responsible for *ALL IN THE FAMILY*

C	B	S
64	38	26

D. Symbol you’ll likely see during POKER

D	I	A	M	O	N	D
3	22	30	60	17	76	89

E. Monitors for “POKER FACE” and its ilk

F	C	C
23	92	42

F. Archnemesis of HADES, according to Disney

H	E	R	C	U	L	E	S
81	94	59	50	15	39	58	77

G. PS2 rival to *HADES* for greatest game of all time

I	C	O
84	27	61

H. You might use ALL for it

L	A	U	N	D	R	Y
45	98	18	67	53	11	74

I. Place with FAMILY in its slogan

O	L	I	V	E	G	A	R	D	E	N
33	1	78	93	56	73	71	21	79	48	52

J. What a member of THE FAMILY may receive*

P	A	Y	O	F	F
41	51	5	69	91	44

K. Profession of those who put on HADESTOWN

P	L	A	Y	A	C	T	I	N	G
35	55	12	65	86	14	83	62	97	57

L. Music genre featured heavily in THE STING

R	A	G	T	I	M	E
25	82	8	66	13	9	36

M. Inquisition that nobody expects to FACE

S	P	A	N	I	S	H
19	32	46	88	10	95	85

N. Another word for a STING

S	T	A	K	E	O	U	T
80	20	40	72	49	29	7	68

O. What sounds before a STING do

W	A	R	N
34	2	37	87

* In this context, "the family" refers to the Mafia.

With the answers written out, solvers can now fill out the acrostic grid on the next page, which is full of magical items and trinkets from various forms of media. Justice League solvers have the first letter of each entry in the grid bolded, while Teen Titans servers have the first letter of every word in the grid bolded. The magical items and their sources are as follows:

- LADYBUG MIRACULOUS (from *Miraculous Ladybug*; natch; it allows Marinette to transform into the titular superheroine)
- TRIFORCE OF POWER (from *The Legend of Zelda*; it's the Triforce piece *linked* to Ganondorf)
- BLACK FLAME CANDLE (from *Hocus Pocus*; the Sanderson Sisters are revived from the dead when a virgin lights the candle)
- GEM OF CYTTORAK (from the *X-Men* comics; this jewel grants the Juggernaut his powers)
- YENSID'S HAT (from "The Sorcerer's Apprentice" in *Fantasia*; it grants the wearer magic; "Yensid" is an alternate spelling of "Yen Sid," which has appeared in other media)
- HAND OF VECNA (from *Dungeons and Dragons*; these are the only pieces left of Vecna, one of the greatest and vilest wizards of all time)

Here is the completed grid. Astute solvers will notice that an extra letter has been added to each word:

I1 L	O2 A	D3 D	B4 D	J5 Y	B6 B	N7 U	L8 G	L9 M	M10 I
H11 R	K12 A	L13 I	K14 C	F15 U	A16 L	D17 O	H18 U	M19 S	N20 T
I21 R	D22 I	E23 F	B24 O	L25 R	C26 S	G27 C	B28 E	N29 O	D30 A
A31 F	M32 P	I33 O	O34 W	K35 P	L36 E	O37 R	C38 B	F39 L	N40 A
J41 P	E42 C	A43 K	J44 F	L45 L	M46 A	B47 M	I48 E	N49 E	F50 C
J51 A	I52 N	H53 D	A54 A	K55 L	I56 E	K57 G	F58 E	F59 R	D60 M
G61 O	K62 I	A63 F	C64 C	K65 Y	L66 T	H67 N	N68 T	J69 O	B70 R
I71 A	N72 K	I73 G	H74 Y	A75 E	D76 N	F77 S	I78 I	I79 D	N80 S
F81 H	L82 A	K83 T	G84 I	M85 H	K86 A	O87 N	M88 N	D89 D	B90 O
J91 F	E92 C	I93 V	F94 E	M95 S	A96 C	K97 N	H98 A		

Reading the added letters in order reveals the answer to this meta: **DISAPPEARING INCS!**