

INT. GAME SHOW STUDIO

HOST

Welcome to Vagnasium! The hit game show from Canada re-imagined for US audiences. Scott Hinson. Pete Witten. Please, come with me into the Compartment of Illumination for a quick recap of the rules. Before that, let's figure out who goes first. You each will rotate the Enigma Wheel three times. And who goes first depends on whether you land on a number, a pictograph, a linguistic algorithm, or more importantly, the Imp. The numbers will appear as both real, rational, and recursive. If you land on a recursive number you must immediately rotate the Enigma Wheel again, this time counterclockwise. The real and rational numbers must be divisible by 5 or 9 or 13 for you to move forward. If you fail, you must find your way out of the Place of Perplexity. If you remain stuck in the Place of Perplexity for more than a minute, you will make a detour into the Baffle Booth. If you land on a pictograph, you must identify the symbol's origin and meaning. If you fail, you must pull the Lever of Abasement and withstand the hammer of disorientation. If you make it through, you may visit the Shame Station and collect shame points to "dump" on your opponent and then you will rotate the Enigma Wheel once more. If the hammer "knocks you for a loop," you will have negative shame points. The algorithm is trickier. You must order the sequence of instructions correctly or you will have to step into the Chamber of Obstruction and wear the Wig of Neglect while missing a turn. If you order them correctly, you have a shot at going first, but you must enter the Conundrum Portal without being touched by the Warbler. Believe me, you don't want to be touched by

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him. If the Warbler touches you, you must wear the Cone of Iniquity and then solve a new algorithm. But be most on your guard for the Imp. You will know when you've landed on the imp. Questions?

SCOTT

So, if you don't withstand the hammer of disorientation, do you pull the lever of abasement again?

HOST

That's right. Okay, Pete, you spin the wheel first. (He spins it) Whoa! You landed on triple fives. You've won the entire game! More Vagnasium after a break!