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# LET'S TALK

## Who met at romantic French cafe?

By Steven Alan McGaw

### Questions:

1. Identify the characters who had their last Parisian meeting at a cafe called La Belle Aurore.
2. Elizabeth Taylor received her second Oscar for what film?
3. Name the actor who played the recurring role of Maurice, Samantha's warlock father in TV's *Bewitched*.
4. Jack Lemmon and Shirley MacLaine have worked together in two films. Name 'em!
5. Alan Ladd's last film was ...
6. Buster Keaton's godfather was fairly well-known in his own right. Who was he?
7. In the 1974 made-for-TV movie *Killer Bees*, who played the mysterious Madame Von Bohlen?
8. Name the singer who played Sister Rachel in the film version of *Elmer Gantry*.

### Answers:

1. Rick Blaine and Ilsa Lando, in *Casablanca*.
2. *Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf?*
3. Maurice Evans.
4. *The Apartment* and *Irma*.
5. *The Carpetbaggers*.
6. Harry Houdini.
7. Gloria Swanson.
8. Paul Page.



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## Likely liked 'Loverboy' and 'Can't Buy Me Love'

By Taylor Michaels

**Q:** Could you please tell me Patrick Dempsey's address? I want to tell him how much I liked *Loverboy* and *Can't Buy Me Love*. —Kenneth Likely, Williamston, N.C.

**A:** You can write Dempsey c/o CAA, 9830 Wilshire Blvd., Beverly Hills, Calif., 90212.

**Q:** I am a MacGyver fan. For three years, I have been watching the show. I was wondering where I could write to Richard Dean Anderson. —Tawny Archibald, Oakley, Idaho.

**A:** Write to Anderson c/o MacGyver, Paramount Television, 5555 Melrose Ave., Los Angeles, Calif., 90038.

**Q:** I am a Madonna fan and I would like to get some information about her. I also want to know if there is an address to order posters, shirts, etc. —M. Fredenburg, Nacogdoches, Texas.

**A:** Write to Madonna Fan Club, 8491 Sunset Blvd., Suite 485, West Hollywood, Calif., 90069. The cost for membership is \$29; a brochure costs \$2.

**Q:** My mom came to visit me from Denmark. She is 72 years old and, well, to make a long story short ... she saw Kirk Douglas on television and she swears to God she went to school with him. My mother is not crazy, believe you me, but we are from Denmark and Mr. Douglas is from the United States. Could you please let me know where I can write to Mr. Douglas? I want to set my mother's mind at ease. —Ge Ge Bray, Watkinsville, Ga.

**A:** Moms are great, aren't they? Douglas was born Issur Danielovitch (Americanized to Isadore Demsky) on Dec. 9, 1916, in Amsterdam, N.Y., the only boy among six girls in the family of a Russian peddler. He worked his way through college and was in drama class with Lauren Bacall. A Hollywood producer who saw him in a flop play signed him to play opposite Barbara Stanwyck in the 1946 drama *The Strange Love of Martha Ivers*. He has since appeared in over 70 films. You can write him c/o CAA, 9830 Wilshire Blvd., Beverly Hills, Calif., 90212.

**Q:** In response to your answer to the question posed by "Not Illiterate" regarding Wheel of Fortune and the vowel situation, I agree with the



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question that Pat Sajak is forgetting something if indeed he says only after "a," "e," "i" and "o" have been picked, "That's all the vowels. Now you have to solve the puzzle or spin." The reason your response is not accurate is because even if there are no u's in the puzzle, it wouldn't be revealed unless someone chose the "u." For example, if the puzzle is *Let's Talk*, after the "e" and "a" were bought, Sajak would not say all the vowels had been used. So the original question posed by the Iowa reader still stands ... why doesn't Wheel of Fortune consider "u" a vowel? —Carol Jordan, West Columbia, S.C.

**A:** Because so many people have written to me about this question, I called the folks at Wheel of Fortune and read all the letters to their spokeswoman, Suzi. She assured me that the show does consider "u" a vowel. She also explained how vowels are handled in the puzzles: when all the vowels in the puzzle are used, a bell goes off and the contestant, who just guessed the last vowel, has a choice: either spin and then guess a consonant or solve the puzzle on the spot. It is the choice of the show's producers to give away the fact that all the vowels have been chosen — perhaps to save time and keep the show moving. At any rate, that's how the show works. Now, I hope I've answered that question once and for all!

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