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## Jada Pinkett Smith says separated from Will Smith since 2016

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Actor Jada Pinkett Smith has been separated from husband Will Smith since 2016 -- six years before the infamous "Oscars Slap" -- she revealed in an interview that aired Wednesday.

The Hollywood power couple's marriage came under intense spotlight at last year's Academy Awards, when Smith struck comedian Chris Rock on stage for making a joke about his wife.

living "totally separate lives" for years before the notorious incident, Pinkett Smith told NBC News.

"By the time we got to 2016 we were just exhausted with trying," she said, in an advance clip from an interview to promote her new memoir, "Worthy."

Rumors of affairs and an open marriage were repeatedly denied by the couple for many years.

But in 2020, Pinkett Smith openly discussed an extramarital "entanglement" she had with singer August Alsina



Will Smith and his wife Jada Pinkett Smith

some years earlier, during a period of separation from her husband.

According to Wednesday's snippet, that separation has endured up until the present day, although the pair remain legally married.

Asked why the couple had chosen to conceal their separation, Pinkett Smith said they were "just not... ready yet" and "still trying to figure out between the two of us how to be in partnership."

"We just got deep love for each other and we are going to figure

out what that looks like for us," Pinkett Smith told People magazine, in a separate interview.

Pinkett Smith also discussed the Oscars ceremony of March 2022, in an excerpt from her memoir published Wednesday.

Rock was presenting on stage when he made a crack about Pinkett Smith's closely cropped head. She has alopecia.

Smith mounted the stage and slapped the comedian hard across the face, before returning to his seat and yelling obscenities at the presenter.

## Arnold Schwarzenegger warns future of America may be 'generation of wimps'

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Arnold Schwarzenegger thinks the future generations of America may be too sheltered.

The former California governor candidly spoke out, warning that if young people are over-pampered, this nation may be "creating a generation of wimps and weak people."

"You can only strengthen your character and become a really strong person inside if you have resistance, if you fail, if you get up again and if you work hard," Schwarzenegger, 76, said on

"The Howard Stern Show."

The "Be Useful" author pointed out that the more someone "struggles" in life, the more they'll succeed. However, Schwarzenegger suggested that society is too sensitive to young people and ensuring that they feel safe from their insecurities.

"Anyone that tries to baby themselves and pamper them-



Arnold Schwarzenegger

selves . . . it's over. You're never going to get there," he told Stern.

Schwarzenegger continued to say that once the younger generation learns how to "accept pain, misery and discomfort," they will be able to grow more and be "tougher" in life.

He went on to compare the different generations, and the

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accomplishments of first-generation Americans. "Is it people that slept in? Is it people that were wimping out? This, 'Oh, I want to feel good. Oh, I want to be comfortable.' No."

## Motherhood is my number one priority, says Duchess of Sussex



Prince Harry and Meghan with their kids

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Meghan, Duchess of Sussex considers motherhood to be the "most important thing in [her] entire life."

The 42-year-old duchess - who has Prince Archie, four, and Princess Lilibet, two, with Prince Harry - has admitted that motherhood is her number one priority.

Speaking at an event for their Archewell Foundation in New York City, the duchess shared: "Being a mom is the most important thing in my entire life."

Despite this, the duchess has concerns about the potentially damaging impact of social media on the lives of young people.

She explained: "They say being a parent, the days are long but the years are short, so it worries me ... but I'm also given a lot of hope and energy by the progress we've made in the past year being able to have these incredible parents, these

survivors of these experiences, share their stories and the more information gathering we're able to do, the more we can move the needle a little bit.

"Everyone is affected by the online world and social media. We all just want to feel safe. I'm confident that with more ears and awareness and visibility of what is really happening, we can make some significant change together."

Meanwhile, Harry revealed that he wants to turn "pain into purpose."

The 39-year-old royal - who married the duchess in 2018 - explained: "I think for us, for myself and my wife, with kids growing up in a digital age, the priority here is to again turn pain into purpose and provide as much support as well as a spotlight and a platform for these parents to come together, to heal, to grieve and to also collectively focus on solutions so that no other family anywhere has to go through what they've been through."

## Lana Del Rey blasts troll accusing her of 'demonic witchcraft'

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Lana Del Rey has blasted a troll who accused her of using "demonic energy" to knock over her fans.

The 'Summertime Sadness' hitmaker has been forced to defend herself after a Christian influencer called Traci Coston claimed the singer was "practicing witchcraft" at a recent concert.

In a video on Instagram, Traci accused Lana, 38, of using "spells" to make her music more "attractive".



Lana Del Rey

## Gigi Hadid and Bradley Cooper 'share a similar sense of humour'

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Gigi Hadid and Bradley Cooper "have a lot in common."

The 28-year-old model and Bradley, 48, were recently spotted together in New York City, and in spite of their 20-year age gap, the celebrity duo actually have quite a lot in common.

An insider told Us Weekly: "They're both single parents to a young daughter and they share a similar sense of humour."

Gigi has Khai, three, with ex-boyfriend Zayn Malik, while Bradley has



Gigi Hadid and Bradley Cooper

Lea, six, with Irina Shayk.

The source has revealed that the model has "no intention of introducing Khai to anybody she dates unless she's in a fully committed relationship".

Despite this, Gigi remains "open to the idea of getting to

know [Bradley] better".

Gigi and the Hollywood star have "been out a couple of times" after meeting through a mutual friend.

But the insider added that it's "far too early to know where things might be headed".

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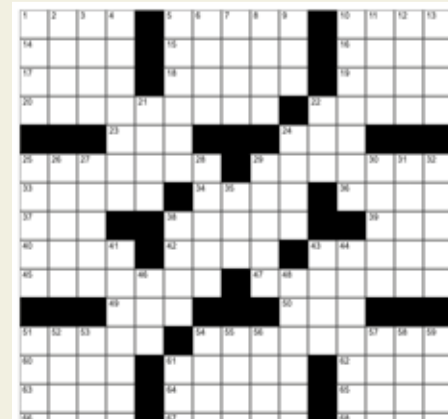
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Yesterday's solution

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Across

1- Stated; 5- Songwriters' org; 10- Bedouin; 14- Draw in; 15- Bread; 16- Bandleader Puente; 17- Hullabaloo; 18- Money spent; 19- Swabbies; 20- Conversely; 22- Museum piece; 23- Tease; 24- Milne's "Mr. Passes By"; 25- Country in SE Asia; 29- Pasquinade; 33- Fidgety; 34- Long poem, such as those attributed to Homer; 36- ... avail; 37- Cheering word; 38- Fend (off); 39- Barcelona bear; 40- Robert of "The Sopranos"; 42- Exude slowly; 43- Income source; 45- Rapid in tempo; 47- Place; 49- No-win situation; 50- Barker and Bell; 51- Crazy as ... 54- Going; 60- "Star Trek" role; 61- Put a new price on; 62- Pentathlon need; 63- One of the Baldwins; 64- Strange and mysterious; 65- Cheer (for); 66- Thrust; 67- Portents; 68- Actress Best;

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Yesterday's solution

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