

OUTTAKES

DAN PATRICK TAKES A WRISTER FROM HIS BACK WITH **ALEXANDER OVECHKIN**



I'M THE BEST DANCER IN THE LEAGUE



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DP: Favorite city to visit?

AO: **Montreal.** Lots of beautiful girls.

DP: What's your opening line? Do you say you're a hockey player?

AO: In Montreal, I think they know. If not, I say I'm a businessman.

DP: Who picked your number?

AO: Me. **My mom** wore 8 when she played basketball.

DP: How good was she?

AO: She was captain of the Russian national team and a two-time Olympic champion. She was the best playmaker in the world.

DP: So what NBA player would she be?

AO: Michael Jordan.

DP: Your mom was the Michael Jordan of Russia?

AO: Yeah.

DP: What's with the red shoes you wear on the ice during the pregame?

AO: It's just my style. When we go on a trip, I wear yellow.

DP: You wear **yellow Crocs?**

AO: When we go on a trip.

DP: Favorite thing about America?

AO: Filet mignon.

DP: If I go to Moscow, what is the one thing I have to do?

AO: You have to try the food—salad Stolichniy, **soup borscht.**

DP: Should I ask what's in those things or just eat them?

AO: Just eat them. They're very tasty.

DP: Can you dance?

AO: Oh, I'm the best dancer in the league.

DP: Would you go on **Dancing With the Stars?**

AO: No. I'm a little bit shy.

DP: How fast have you had your BMW up to?

AO: Very fast—180 mph.

DP: Where did you do that?

AO: On the way to the airport. No policemen. I drive fast, but not the max.

DP: You're like **Michael Schumacher** there.

AO: Probably better than him.

DP: Your favorite game on Xbox?

AO: **Godfather.**

DP: How good are you?

AO: I'm the best.

DP: Is there anything you're not good at?

AO: English.



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