

AIRPORT CONUNDRUM



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The clue for the first half of the puzzle is “these have something in common”. Plus the puzzle name seems to suggest that this is likely related to airport codes. Resolving the airport to their respective codes, we find that they have one letter in common.

- TXL - NRT - TPE ----- T
- IAH - PHX - HNL ----- H
- YEG - SEA - EWR ----- E
- TLS - IST - TAS ----- T
- ELP - EWR - EDI ----- E
- GRU - FRA - RAK ----- R
- BOM - MUC - MSY ---- M
- IAD - IST - ISB ----- I
- NCE - NAP - NRT ----- N
- ATL - AMS - AUH ----- A
- LAS - LAX - LEJ ----- L

The above comes out to be The Terminal. The mention about movies is to aid the fact that this is the movie “The Terminal” that is referred to.

For the latter part, again resolve the airport to their codes. Here “last thing on my mind” implies one has to look at the last character of each.

- Slave Lake Airport, Canada YZH
- Mafia Airport, Tanzania MFA
- Whale Cove Airport, Canada YXN
- Monkey Mia Airport, Australia MJK
- Desolation Sound Airport YDS
- Basongo Airport, Congo BAN
- Wagga Wagga Airport WGA
- Hamburg Airport, Germany HAM
- Perm International Airport PEE

The last letters read “HANKS NAME”. So the solution to the puzzle is the name of Tom Hanks character in the movie “The Terminal” which is **VIKTOR NAVORSKI**.