## Dark Shadows

Solution

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Each athlete's name contains one of the clued four-letter words, consisting of two bigrams within their name: COAL can be found in DRACO MALFOY; LEAK can be found in ELENA KAGAN; MEAD can be found in GOMEZ ADDAMS; and MILK can be found in MICHAEL KORS. When their names are put into the diagrams so that the desired bigrams appear in the boxes, and their answers are put into the lower rows of the diagrams, the numbered boxes spell the solution, EIGHT BALL

One athlete held a stocking stuffer for the naughty...

DRA	С	0	М	Α	L	FOY
PAP	E (1)	R	Т	H (4)	I	N

... and its shadow

One athlete held an unwanted emergence of liquid...

Е	L	Е	N	Α	K	AGAN
D	I (2)	S	Н	С	L (8)	ОТН

... and its shadow

One athlete held a fermented honey beverage...

GO	М	Е	Z	Α	D	DAMS
BU	G (3)	L (9)	Е	B (6)	Α	LL

... and its shadow

One athlete held a main ingredient for cheese...

М	T	CHAE	L	K	ORS
A (7)	D	JUNC	T (5)	J	ОВ

... and its shadow