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How Much Is?

Estimated play time: Approximately 15 minutes.

Number of players: Unlimited.

Supplies needed: Pencil and paper for each player/team; scoring board/pad; noisemakers.

Suitable for visually impaired players.

Overview:

This game involves simple addition – but you have to figure out which numbers to add up by answering the trivia questions correctly. For example:

Q: How much is ... the number of Dalmatians in the children's book, plus the number of items in a half-dozen?

A: 107 (101 + 6).

Instructions:

1. This game can be played by individuals or in teams.
2. Read the first question. Discussion is permitted among teammates. Prior to the start of the game, a method to signal when a team is ready to answer must be determined. Ringing bells and New Year's blowers are just two inexpensive noisemakers. Raised hands work, but the host must be vigilant to watch for whose hand went up first. The host always has the final say in any disputes.
3. After a player/team is recognized as the first to signal, they may give an answer. If the first answer is incorrect, the other teams may "buzz" in and answer.
4. Scoring: Give 10 points for each correct answer.

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QUESTIONS

1. How much is ... the number of countries on the island of Hispaniola, plus the number of continents on earth?
2. How much is ... the number of lives a cat has, plus the number of wonders of the ancient world?
3. How much is ... the number of events in an Olympic decathlon, plus the number of balls that earn a walk in baseball?
4. How much is ... the number of points in the Star of David, plus the number of days it rained in the Book of Genesis flood?
5. How much is ... the number of stripes on the US flag, plus the number of guns in a military salute?
6. How much is ... two pairs of twins, plus three sets of triplets?
7. How much is ... the number of pounds in three tons, plus the number of inches in 1.5 yards?
8. How much is ... the number of colors in the German flag, plus the number of colors in the Japanese flag, plus the number of colors in the British flag?
9. How much is ... the number of women who have served as prime minister of the United Kingdom, plus the number of women who have served on the US Supreme Court (as of 2022)?

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ANSWERS

1. $9 (2 + 7)$
2. $16 (9 + 7)$
3. $14 (10 + 4)$
4. $46 (6 + 40)$
5. $34 (13 + 21)$
6. $13 (4 + 9)$
7. $6,054 (6,000 + 54)$
8. $8 (3 + 2 + 3)$
9. $7 (2 + 5)$