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Weekly Trivia Quiz

Estimated play time: Approximately 20 minutes

Number of players: Unlimited

Supplies needed: Scoring board/pad; noisemakers

Suitable for visually impaired players.

Overview:

You already know how to play trivia quizzes. Here are a few additional ideas to consider if you want a more, or less, competitive game.

Instructions

1. Create a tournament format in which permanent teams compete in playoffs and a final champion team is crowned.
2. Collect a small amount of money from each player (for example, 50 cents or a dollar) and put it into a kitty. The winning team splits the kitty.
3. Buy some lottery tickets to use as prizes for the winners (and runners up).
4. To create a less competitive game, just give one point for every question answered.

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FICTIONAL JOBS

- 10 Pts What did Michael Dorsey, the character played by Dustin Hoffman, do for a living in the 1982 movie *Tootsie*?
- 20 Pts In the 1990's TV show *The Nanny*, the last name of the character Niles was the same as his occupation. What was it?
- 30 Pts In the musical *My Fair Lady*, this was Eliza Doolittle's job at the time she first met Professor Henry Higgins.
- 40 Pts In the TV show *Will & Grace*, what were those title characters' occupations?
- 50 Pts What was the occupation of Howard Roark, the main character in Ayn Rand's *The Fountainhead*?

ASIAN CAPITALS (... with some "hints")

- 10 Pts The capital of South Korea. (Think: the immortal essence of a human being.)
- 20 Pts The capital of Iraq. (Think: my father's paper container.)
- 30 Pts The capital of India. (Think: the sandwich restaurant that just opened.)
- 40 Pts The capital of the Philippines. (Think: the material file folders are made of.)
- 50 Pts The capital of Singapore (Think: is there an echo in here?)

ANDYs

- 10 Pts This Andy, whose signature song was "Moon River," gave the Osmond family their start in the early 1960s on his variety TV show.
- 20 Pts In 1963, this pop artist made a film of his friend John Giorno sleeping for five hours and 20 minutes.
- 30 Pts This Andrew's father was an artist, as is his son Jamie; but he himself was one of the most famous American artists of the 20th century. His works include *Christina's World* (1948) and the *Helga* pictures (1971 to 1985).
- 40 Pts Mired in scandal, in 2021 this Andrew stepped down as governor of New York – the same job his father had held from 1983 to 1994.
- 50 Pts In *The Shawshank Redemption*, he played Andy Dufresne (pronounced du•FRAIN), friend to Morgan Freeman's "Red" Redding.

BUSINESSMEN

- 10 Pts He personally raked in more than \$435 million for his sixth feature film, *E.T. The Extra-Terrestrial*.
- 20 Pts In 1911, Thomas Watson, Sr. came up with the slogan “Think” when he worked for the National Cash Register Company. He brought the motto with him to this other company, which he would soon turn into one of the biggest corporations in the world.
- 30 Pts This entrepreneur arrived in Texas in 1919 with the intention of buying a bank, but he bought his first hotel instead. For the next thirty years, he expanded his hotel empire, eventually acquiring his crown jewel, the Waldorf-Astoria.
- 40 Pts This private university in Pittsburgh was named after two businessmen — a 19th century steel magnate and a member of a family of bankers.
- 50 Pts After working as a salesman in rural Illinois, this businessman conceived of a dry goods mail-order catalog in 1872, nearly 25 years before Richard Sears became his competitor.

STATES' LARGEST CITIES & CAPITALS

- 10 Pts This state's capital is Annapolis; but what is its largest city?
- 20 Pts This state's capital is Lansing; but what is its largest city?
- 30 Pts This state's capital is Springfield; but what is its largest city?
- 40 Pts This state's capital is Frankfort; but what is its largest city?
- 50 Pts This state's capital is Augusta; but what is its largest city?

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ANSWERS

FICTIONAL JOBS

- 10 Pts Dorsey was an actor.
- 20 Pts Butler
- 30 Pts Flower seller
- 40 Pts Will was a lawyer, and Grace was an interior decorator.
- 50 Pts Architect

ASIAN CAPITALS

- 10 Pts Seoul
- 20 Pts Baghdad
- 30 Pts New Delhi
- 40 Pts Manila
- 50 Pts Singapore

ANDYs

- 10 Pts Andy Williams
- 20 Pts Andy Warhol (Of the nine people who attended the film's premiere in 1964, two left during the first hour.)
- 30 Pts Andrew Wyeth
- 40 Pts Andrew Cuomo
- 50 Pts Tim Robbins

BUSINESSMEN

- 10 Pts Steven Spielberg
- 20 Pts IBM
- 30 Pts Conrad Hilton
- 40 Pts Carnegie-Mellon University
- 50 Pts Montgomery Ward

STATES' LARGEST CITIES & CAPITALS

- 10 Pts Maryland/Baltimore
- 20 Pts Michigan/Detroit
- 30 Pts Illinois/Chicago
- 40 Pts Kentucky/Louisville
- 50 Pts Maine/Portland