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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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QUESTIONS

HORSE POTPOURRI

- 10 Pts Tonto rode a horse named Scout; what was the name of the Lone Ranger's horse?
- 20 Pts His horse Comanche survived his (in)famous last stand in June, 1876. He did not.
- 30 Pts Among the most famous of these golden-coated, blond-maned horses are Mr. Ed and Roy Rogers' horse, Trigger.
- 40 Pts In "The Legend of Sleepy Hollow" by Washington Irving, he chased Ichabod Crane through that New York village in the time of the American Revolutionary War.
- 50 Pts According to ancient myth, both the Greek god Bellerophon and this winged horse died at the hands of Zeus because they tried to reach Mt. Olympus.

WEST COAST POTPOURRI

- 10 Pts There are no witches in this western state capital ... or at least we don't think so.
- 20 Pts Aaron Spelling made this zip code famous with a TV series set in Beverly Hills.
- 30 Pts This Seattle-based airplane company started in 1916. Their planes had frames made of wood, with wire and linen wings.
- 40 Pts Although three US presidents have claimed California as their home, he is the only one who was born there.
- 50 Pts Alaska shares a land border with only one Canadian province and one Canadian territory. Can you name them?

PULITZER PRIZE WINNERS *(Name the author.)*

- 10 Pts *The Color Purple* (1983)
- 20 Pts *Lonesome Dove* (1986)
- 30 Pts *The Good Earth* (1932)
- 40 Pts *The Executioner's Song* (1980)
- 50 Pts *Tales of the South Pacific* (1948)

UNION POTPOURRI

- 10 Pts Originally known as the "telegram" company, this is now a multinational financial services corporation .
- 20 Pts The nation that officially broke apart on Christmas Day in 1991.
- 30 Pts Nickname for the flag of Great Britain.
- 40 Pts What ILGWU stands for.
- 50 Pts Lech Walesa was the co-founder and leader of this independent trade union, which was key in defeating communism in Poland.

COLOR BEFORE AND AFTER

- 10 Pts This color precedes ____ *ball*, ____ *mail*, and ____ *smith*.
- 20 Pts This color precedes ____ *pages* and ____ *jacket*.
- 30 Pts This color precedes ____ *fever* and ____ *Letter*.
- 40 Pts This color follows *bowling* ____ and *winter* ____.
- 50 Pts This color follows *Big* ____, *sky* ____, and *baby* _____.

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ANSWERS

HORSE POTPOURRI

- 10 Pts Silver
- 20 Pts General George Armstrong Custer
- 30 Pts Palominos
- 40 Pts The Headless Horseman
- 50 Pts Pegasus

WEST COAST POTPOURRI

- 10 Pts Salem, Oregon
- 20 Pts 90210
- 30 Pts Boeing
- 40 Pts Richard Nixon. The other two presidents that were more associated with California but not born there are Ronald Reagan and Herbert Hoover.
- 50 Pts British Columbia (province) and Yukon (territory)

PULITZER PRIZE WINNERS

- 10 Pts Alice Walker
- 20 Pts Larry McMurtry
- 30 Pts Pearl S. Buck
- 40 Pts Norman Mailer
- 50 Pts James Michener

UNION POTPOURRI

- 10 Pts Western Union
- 20 Pts Union of Soviet Socialist Republics (USSR)
- 30 Pts Union Jack
- 40 Pts International Ladies Garment Workers Union
- 50 Pts Solidarity

COLOR BEFORE AND AFTER

- 10 Pts Black
- 20 Pts Yellow
- 30 Pts Scarlet
- 40 Pts Green
- 50 Pts Blue