

1/22/23 Weekly Word Game

# HO, HO, It's GroundHOg Day

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Estimated play time: Approximately 15 minutes

Number of players: Unlimited

Supplies needed: Scoring board/pad; noisemakers

Suitable for visually impaired players.

## Overview:

All the answers in this word definition game begin with the consecutive letters HO.

## Instructions:

1. This game can be played by individuals or in teams.
2. Read the first definition. 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. The opposite of vertical.
2. Word that completes the phrases *basketball* \_\_\_\_\_, *embroidery* \_\_\_\_\_, and *hula* \_\_\_\_\_.
3. To sharpen a blade.
4. Mr. Carmichael; or a popular Philadelphia sandwich.
5. A person from Indiana.
6. Sporting event where you might see a "hat trick."
7. Commercial baking company whose products include Twinkies, Ding Dongs, and Sno Balls.
8. This former British colony, now a special administrative region of China, is one of the most densely populated places on earth, a major global financial center, and one of the most developed cities in the world.
9. Word that begins the phrases \_\_\_\_\_ *cow*, \_\_\_\_\_ *Ghost*, and \_\_\_\_\_ *Land*.
10. Stamp collecting or model train building.
11. Ancient Greek poet; or a four-bagger.
12. A traditional circle dance that is popular at Jewish wedding celebrations and festivals. It's often performed to the music of "Hava Nagila."
13. Slang for alcohol, especially homemade moonshine.
14. The title of a 1956 poem by Allen Ginsberg that was associated with an obscenity case; or an animal vocalization, especially by canine species.
15. Magical words.
16. To raise something by means of ropes and pulleys.
17. Estrogen, testosterone, or progesterone, for example.

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## ANSWERS

1. Horizontal
2. Hoop
3. Hone
4. Hoagie
5. Hoosier
6. Hockey
7. Hostess
8. Hong Kong
9. Holy
10. Hobby
11. Homer
12. Hora
13. Hootch
14. Howl
15. Hocus Pocus
16. Hoist
17. Hormone