

10/8/23 Weekly Word Game

# Happy O-ctober!

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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 letter O.  
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## 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. This bivalve has a rough, irregular shell, and is known to produce gem-quality pearls.
2. Stubborn.
3. Church instrument.
4. Choices; selections; possibilities.
5. An antonym.
6. The branch of medicine concerned with the diagnosis and treatment of disorders of the eye.
7. The female organ in which eggs are produced.
8. Once in a while; sporadic.
9. A Greek anise or licorice-flavored liquor.
10. A jet black, or black-layered, semiprecious stone.
11. Killer whale.
12. Duty; responsibility; commitment.
13. Unclear; concealed; vague.
14. Supernatural, mystical, or magical beliefs and practices.
15. No longer produced, used, or useful; out of date.
16. To exclude a person or group from the larger society.

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## ANSWERS

1. Oyster
2. Obstinate
3. Organ
4. Options
5. Opposite
6. Ophthalmology
7. Ovary
8. Occasional
9. Ouzo
10. Onyx
11. Orca
12. Obligation
13. Obscure
14. Occult
15. Obsolete
16. Ostracize