

4/2/23 Weekly Word Game

What's Your BAG?

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 contain the consecutive letters BAG.

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. Surprisingly, many historians believe that this musical instrument originated in the Middle East, not Scotland.
2. The capital of Iraq.
3. Some people purposely over-order in restaurants so that they can take home one of these.
4. Description of a seedy, rundown hotel or lodging.
5. A person who talks and talks and talks, but says little of value.
6. A long thin loaf of French bread.
7. This is a good nickname for a wealthy person.
8. When a river threatens to flood, local residents often build temporary dams or levees made of these.
9. Don't forget to claim this after your flight.
10. This safety device was first introduced in American cars in the mid-1970s, when seatbelt use was quite low.
11. A doughnut-shaped bread that likely originated in the Jewish area of Krakow, Poland in the 16th century.
12. Northerners who went to the South after the American civil war to profit from the unsettled conditions during Reconstruction.
13. This root vegetable, called swede in the UK, Australia and New Zealand, originated in Scandinavia or Russia as a cross between the cabbage and the turnip. (Basically, it tastes like a turnip.)
14. This is an old-fashioned word for lower back pain.

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ANSWERS

1. Bagpipes
2. Baghdad
3. Doggie Bag
4. Fleabag
5. Windbag (*Gasbag is also correct.*)
6. Baguette
7. Moneybags
8. Sandbags
9. Baggage
10. Airbag
11. Bagel
12. Carpetbaggers
13. Rutabaga
14. Lumbago