

5/7/23 Weekly Word Game

Happy Mother's Day

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 **MA**, **MUM**, or **MOM**.

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. It's the only "bread" allowed during Passover.
2. This childhood disease, which often causes painful swelling of the salivary glands, is generally not severe in children; but it has been known to cause infertility in teenage males and grown men.
3. South American cousin to the camel.
4. A sweet almond paste that is shaped into candies.
5. Gin and vermouth with an olive or a lemon twist – "shaken, not stirred."
6. This tropical disease, which kills approximately 700,000 people a year in sub-Saharan Africa, is spread by mosquitos.
7. Located off the southeast coast of Africa, this is the fourth-largest island in the world.
8. To speak quietly and indistinctly.
9. The order of mammals that includes kangaroos and opossum.
10. The common ingredient in a S'more and a Fluffernutter.
11. This is the only US state to border just one other state.
12. The most or highest possible.
13. Graduation certificate.
14. Respiratory condition often caused by smoking.
15. Charm; appeal; magnetism.
16. These aromatic seeds come from a plant in the ginger family, and are commonly used as a spice in Indian food and in baking in Nordic countries.

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ANSWERS:

1. Matzoh
2. Mumps
3. Llama
4. Marzipan
5. Martini
6. Malaria
7. Madagascar
8. Mumble
9. Marsupial
10. Marshmallow
11. Maine
12. Maximum
13. Diploma
14. Emphysema
15. Charisma
16. Cardamom