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# Last Week's News

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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:

This quiz explores some of the news and current events that occurred last week.

## Instructions:

1. This game can be played by individuals or in teams.
2. Read the first question. 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. Which Republican candidate dropped out of the presidential race last week?
2. CNN held a televised debate last week, just days before the Iowa caucuses. Which candidates participated in the debate?
3. An Alaska Airlines flight that departed Portland, Oregon destined for Ontario, California turned terrifying last week when this happened.
4. Bill Belichick, who holds the record of the most Super Bowl wins as a head coach, announced last week that he will “part ways” with this team, where he was head coach for 27 years.
5. Which film swept the most categories at the Golden Globe awards last week?
6. Last week a federal judge asked Donald Trump’s lawyer if, hypothetically, a president who ordered the Navy SEALs to kill a political opponent could be charged with a crime. What was Trump’s lawyer’s answer?
7. Can you name the US Secretary of Defense who was in the hospital for three days before the White House was informed?
8. Gabriel Attal, who is just 34, was elected last week as the youngest – and first openly gay – prime minister of what country?
9. Hunter Biden made a surprise appearance at his contempt of Congress hearing, but abruptly departed when the floor was taken by which Oversight Committee member?
10. The US and allies struck Houthi targets in this country in response to more than two dozen Houthi drone and missile attacks against commercial shipping in the Red Sea since November.
11. After four years on the job, this former senator and presidential candidate will step down as the US Special Envoy for Climate and is expected to work instead on President Biden’s re-election campaign.

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## ANSWERS

1. Chris Christie
2. Only two: Nikki Haley and Ron DeSantis
3. A door plug (a non-working door that was located where an emergency door would have been if the plane had more seats) was sucked out the window, leaving a large open gap in the airborne jet. Luckily, everyone survived, and the plane made an emergency landing back in Portland, OR. (It's interesting to note, especially to Apple, Inc., that an iPhone that was swept out the door and fell 16,000 feet also survived the ordeal.)
4. The New England Patriots
5. *Oppenheimer*, whose wins included Best Motion Picture Drama, Best Director, and two acting categories.
6. Attorney John D. Sauer said that a president could not be charged with a crime ... unless he was first impeached and convicted in Congress.
7. Lloyd Austin is the US Secretary of Defense, who is being treated for prostate cancer.
8. France
9. Rep. Marjorie Taylor Greene of Georgia, who had used nude photos of Hunter Biden to claim, without evidence, that he was engaged in sex trafficking.
10. Yemen
11. John Kerry