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Last Week's News

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 comedian announced that he will return to *The Daily Show* next month?
2. Which union that represents 391,000 active members and 580,000 retired members, endorsed President Biden this week?
3. Donald Trump beat Nikki Haley in the New Hampshire Republican primary last week by 11 points. President Biden won New Hampshire's Democratic primary ... despite what handicap?
4. Ron DeSantis ended his presidential bid last week just before the New Hampshire primary. Whom did he later endorse?
5. Can you name the New York Representative whose name is being bandied about as a potential running mate for Donald Trump?
6. Turkey's parliament finally voted last week to allow this country to join NATO.
7. Due to a financial crisis, this west coast newspaper announced that it would be laying off 115 journalists – more than 20% of its newsroom.
8. What country's gross domestic product (GDP) grew by a stunning 3.1% in 2023?
9. What state carried out an execution last week, just hours after the Supreme Court had issued a ruling allowing it to go forward, even though the method (the use of nitrogen gas) had never been tested for this purpose?
10. Can you name the former aide to President Trump who was sentenced to 4 months in prison for defying a House subpoena related to the January 6 insurrection?
11. Why, according to Senator Minority Leader Mitch McConnell, is a bipartisan Senate agreement on the southern border and on aid to Ukraine in jeopardy?
12. E. Jean Carroll won her defamation case against Donald Trump. How much must he pay her for compensation and damages?

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ANSWERS

1. Jon Stewart. After almost a decade, Stewart will return to host *The Daily Show* on Mondays, beginning in February and through the duration of the 2024 election season.
2. United Auto Workers
3. His name was not on the ballot. Because of the recent move by the Democratic National Committee to make South Carolina, rather than New Hampshire, the first Democratic primary, President Biden's campaign could have no official political presence in NH's primary. However, his supporters organized a write-in campaign, which Biden won handily.
4. Donald Trump
5. Rep. Elise Stefanik
6. Sweden
7. *The Los Angeles Times*
8. The United States. The economy outperformed the expectations of most forecasters, who predicted it would shrink in 2023 and send the US into recession.
9. Alabama. According to observers, the condemned prisoner was conscious and "thrashing" for 30 minutes until he died.
10. Peter Navarro
11. McConnell says that candidate Donald Trump is lobbying Republicans to kill the deal so that he can run on the issues involved.
12. \$83.3 million