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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. What Russian opposition leader was Vice President Kamala Harris referring to when she said this after hearing of his death. "Make no mistake, Russia is responsible for the death of \_\_\_\_\_."
2. What was the penalty imposed by New York Judge Arthur Engoron on Donald Trump, who was found liable for fraud for his years-long use of deceptive business practices?
3. On the 45<sup>th</sup> day of the year 2024, the 49<sup>th</sup> mass shooting occurred in the United States. One person died and 22 others were injured. Where did this happen?
4. Tom Suozzi, a Democrat, won a special election in New York and will replace this Republican in Congress.
5. "My cousin's Super Bowl ad used our uncle's faces — and my mother's. She would be appalled by his deadly health care views. Respect for science, vaccines, and health care equity were in her DNA." What "cousin" was the author of that quote speaking about?
6. "She appears once again in the sky! French pride." What new building spire was President Emmanuel Macron speaking of in that quote?
7. Who was named Super Bowl MVP last week?
8. After a failed attempt two weeks ago, whom did the House finally vote to impeach last week?
9. Donald Trump shocked the US and its allies when he suggested this is what he would do if Russia attacked a NATO country that didn't spend enough on its own defense.

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## ANSWERS

1. Alexei Navalny
2. Trump has to pay a \$364 million penalty and is banned from doing business in New York for three years. The judge also barred Trump's adult sons from serving in top roles at any New York company for two years.
3. The shooting occurred in Kansas City, at the end of a rally celebrating the Kansas City Chiefs' Super Bowl win. At least half of the wounded were younger than 16, and two suspects, also juveniles, are in custody. The shooting appears to be the result of an argument.
4. Suozzi will be replacing the disgraced former congressman George Santos.
5. Robert F. Kennedy, Jr. His cousin Bobby Shriver said what many in the family feel about Kennedy's entry into the 2024 presidential race.
6. Notre Dame's cathedral spire, which was destroyed in a fire nearly five years ago.
7. Patrick Mahomes, quarterback of the Kansas City Chiefs
8. Alejandro Mayorkas, the Secretary of Homeland Security. Observers note that this impeachment is destined to go nowhere, because Democrats hold the majority in the Senate. In addition, some Republican senators are likely to vote "no" also, since the cause of the impeachment does not rise to the level of high crimes and misdemeanors.
9. Trump said he would encourage Russia to "do whatever the hell they want" – in other words, to attack the country.