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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. Last week, an estimated 40,000 people participated in this annual event at the White House, which dates back to the 1870s.
2. Last week, moviegoers in Japan finally got to see this film, eight months after it opened throughout most of the rest of the world.
3. Two earthquakes made the news last week. Where were they located?
4. Which state's Supreme Court cleared the way for a six-week abortion ban?
5. Several international aid groups paused operations in Gaza last week after Israeli airstrikes killed seven workers belonging to which food relief organization?
6. The Senate Foreign Relations Committee advanced the REPO Act last week, which allows the US to seize frozen Russian assets to pay for ... what?
7. Last week, observers started flocking to the "Path of Totality." What is the Path of Totality?

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ANSWERS

1. Easter Egg Roll
2. *Oppenheimer*. The eight-month delay was due to concerns over how the film might be received in the only country to have ever directly experienced nuclear warfare.
3. A severe 7.4 magnitude earthquake struck Taiwan at the beginning of last week; and a rare US east coast earthquake, centered in New Jersey, was measured at 4.8 magnitude and was felt all the way to Boston and Portland, Maine.
4. Florida. However, Florida voters will consider a constitutional amendment in November that could potentially undo the abortion ban.
5. World Central Kitchen
6. Reconstruction in Ukraine from the Russian invasion
7. It is the route where the full eclipse of the sun can be seen. In the United States, this Monday's eclipse can be seen "in totality" from south central Texas to northern Maine.