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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. Who was the first witness to take the stand in Donald Trump's criminal trial in Manhattan?
2. What high profile convicted sex offender's verdict was overturned by New York's highest court.
3. President Biden signed a \$95.3 billion aid package last week which will send military aid to which three places?
4. The military aid bill also included a measure that would ban this popular social media platform if it is not sold to an approved buyer within eight months.
5. College campuses across the US erupted with pro-Palestinian protests. Which university emerged as the epicenter of the demonstrations?
6. Which European city was blanketed by an orange-colored haze caused by dust storms from the Sahara Desert.
7. Last week the Rock & Roll Hall of Fame announced their 2024 class of inductees, which included this legendary artist whose recordings include "The Beat Goes On" and "I Got You Babe."
8. Eighteen people in this state were indicted last week for falsely certifying that former President Donald Trump carried the state in the 2020 election.
9. Republicans in which state passed a bill allowing some teachers to carry concealed handguns on public school grounds, one year after six people were killed at the Covenant School?

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ANSWERS

1. David Pecker, former publisher of the *National Enquirer*, who testified the collaborated with Trump and Michael Cohen to help Trump's campaign by publishing negative stories about political rival and by burying unflattering stories about Trump.
2. Harvey Weinstein. The court overturned the conviction because the judge had allowed witnesses who were not part of the charges. It was a stunning reversal in the foundational case of the #MeToo movement.
3. Ukraine, Israel, and Taiwan
4. TikTok
5. Columbia
6. Athens
7. Cher
8. Arizona.
9. Tennessee