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Weekly Trivia Quiz

Estimated play time: Approximately 20 minutes
Number of players: Unlimited
Supplies needed: Scoring board/pad; noisemakers
Suitable for visually impaired players.

Overview:

You already know how to play trivia quizzes. Here are a few additional ideas to consider if you want a more, or less, competitive game.

Instructions

1. Create a tournament format in which permanent teams compete in playoffs and a final champion team is crowned.
2. Collect a small amount of money from each player (for example, 50 cents or a dollar) and put it into a kitty. The winning team splits the kitty.
3. Buy some lottery tickets to use as prizes for the winners (and runners up).
4. To create a less competitive game, just give one point for every question answered.

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QUESTIONS

MOVIE ENDINGS

- 10 Pts This 1940 movie ends with Rick Blaine telling Captain Renault, "Louis, I think this is the beginning of a beautiful friendship."
- 20 Pts In this 1941 film, the last shot is of a burning sled.
- 30 Pts At the end of this 1959 comedy, Daphne rips off her wig and reveals her true gender to her suitor Osgood Fielding. "I'm a man!" he shouts. A determined Osgood simply responds, "Well, nobody's perfect."
- 40 Pts At the end of this 1991 film, escaped cannibalistic serial killer Hannibal Lecter calls Clarice and tells her that he's "having an old friend for dinner."
- 50 Pts In this 1967 film, Benjamin crashes Elaine's wedding and runs away with her on a bus.

1952

- 10 Pts During 1952, the worst single outbreak of this disease affected 58,000 people, mostly children.
- 20 Pts On November 4, 1952, this Republican candidate for the US presidency defeated Democrat Adlai Stevenson.
- 30 Pts On February 6, 1952, Britain's King George VI died of lung cancer and other ailments. Who succeeded him?
- 40 Pts On October 16, 1952, this British silent film star, who had lived in the US for more than three decades, was blocked from reentering the country because of his political views and alleged immoral behavior.
- 50 Pts On March 10, 1952, General Fulgencio Batista reclaimed power as the dictator of this country. Seven years later, he was overthrown in a coup.

POETRY POTPOURRI

- 10 Pts According to Henry Wadsworth Longfellow's poem about a certain little girl, "When she was good, she was very, very good, but when she was bad, she was ... " what.
- 20 Pts The T. S. Eliot poem that featured Mr. Mistoffelees, Bustopher Jones, and Macavity was made into this long-running Broadway play.
- 30 Pts The poem "Invictus" by William Ernest Henley ends with "I am the master of my fate; I am the captain of ..." What?
- 40 Pts Ogden Nash was famous for his witty light verse, such as this one-sentence poem: "Candy is dandy, but liquor is ..." What?
- 50 Pts This American author won the Pulitzer Prize in 1940 for his biography of Abraham Lincoln. He won it again 1951 for his poetry, much of which focused on the city of Chicago.

FAMOUS QUESTIONS

- 10 Pts What is Bugs Bunny's famous question?
- 20 Pts What famous question did the Queen ask the magic mirror in Snow White?
- 30 Pts Taxi driver Travis Bickle, played by Robert DeNiro, asks this question several times while looking in a mirror.
- 40 Pts The answer to this 1988 movie question is "Ghostbusters."
- 50 Pts In the movie *Dirty Harry*, what famous question did Clint Eastwood ask the injured thug he was pointing a gun at?

"X" ENDINGS

- 10 Pts The highest point.
- 20 Pts Smoked salmon.
- 30 Pts The cereal that's for kids, not rabbits.
- 40 Pts A humorous or malicious deception; a practical joke or prank.
- 50 Pts An involuntary action that is performed without conscious thought, such as blinking, gagging, breathing, etc.

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ANSWERS

MOVIE ENDINGS

- 10 Pts *Casablanca*
- 20 Pts *Citizen Kane*
- 30 Pts *Some Like It Hot*
- 40 Pts *The Silence of the Lambs*
- 50 Pts *The Graduate*

1952

- 10 Pts Polio. In 1952 – coincidentally, the first year the polio vaccine was tested – more than 3,000 died of the disease and 21,000 were left with mild to severe paralysis.
- 20 Pts Dwight D. Eisenhower
- 30 Pts His daughter, Queen Elizabeth II, who died in 2023 as the longest reigning monarch in British history
- 40 Pts Charlie Chaplin. He didn't re-enter the United States for another 20 years.
- 50 Pts Cuba

POETRY POTPOURRI

- 10 Pts "... horrid."
- 20 Pts *Cats*
- 30 Pts "... my soul."
- 40 Pts "... quicker."
- 50 Pts Carl Sandburg

FAMOUS QUESTIONS

- 10 Pts "What's up, Doc?"
- 20 Pts ("Mirror, Mirror, on the wall,) who's the fairest one of all?"
- 30 Pts "You talkin' to me?"
- 40 Pts "Who ya gonna' call?"
- 50 Pts "You've gotta ask yourself one question. Do I feel lucky? Well, do ya, punk?" (Note: Any variation of "Do you feel lucky?" can be considered correct.)

"X" ENDINGS

- 10 Pts Apex
- 20 Pts Lox
- 30 Pts Trix
- 40 Pts Hoax
- 50 Pts Reflex