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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

BOOKS OF THE BIBLE NAMES

- 10 Pts He was born "George Herman" in 1895, but was given the nickname "Babe" in 1914 by a Baltimore sportswriter.
- 20 Pts This 18th-century American pioneer and frontiersman became famous for his exploration and settlement of Kentucky, which was then beyond the western borders of the Thirteen Colonies.
- 30 Pts This *Star Wars* character, one of the greatest Jedi the galaxy has ever known, battled the Evil Empire along with his friends Princess Leia and Han Solo.
- 40 Pts This soft-rock singer-songwriter's breakthrough hit in 1970 was "Fire and Rain," and in 1971 he won a Grammy Record of the Year Award for "You've Got a Friend," sung with Carole King.
- 50 Pts Hey! According to Paul McCartney, he actually wrote this song for Julian Lennon, John Lennon's son.

SITCOM JOBS

- 10 Pts What was Cliff Clavin's job on *Cheers*?
- 20 Pts What was Bob Hartley's job on the 1970's sitcom *The Bob Newhart Show*?
- 30 Pts What job did the character Jerry Seinfeld have in the sitcom *Seinfeld*?
- 40 Pts What was Dorothy Zbornak's part-time job on *The Golden Girls*?
- 50 Pts In the sitcom *Frasier*, from what profession was Martin Crane, Frasier's dad, retired?

WHAT'S THE MISSING ANIMAL?

- 10 Pts *The Silence of the* _____
- 20 Pts *Dances with* _____
- 30 Pts _____ *in the Mist*
- 40 Pts *Of* _____ *and Men*
- 50 Pts *Island of the Blue* _____

“P” ON THE MAP

- 10 Pts In the early 1900s, this country was split in two by a canal that connects the Atlantic and Pacific Oceans.
- 20 Pts This body of water, which is surrounded by Iran, Iraq, Kuwait, Saudi Arabia, and the United Arab Emirates, is the namesake of the 1991 gulf war that followed Iraq’s invasion of Kuwait.
- 30 Pts The currency of this central European country on the Baltic Sea is the *zloty*, which means “gold” in the national language.
- 40 Pts This is the two-word name (both words beginning with the letter P) for the capital of Cambodia, located on the Mekong River.
- 50 Pts The Atlantic islands called the Azores are located 850 miles west of this European country to which they belong.

COLORFUL FISH

- 10 Pts There are several dozen species of this popular food fish closely related to salmon, including brown, silver, and the most colorful rainbow type.
- 20 Pts The yellowfin species of this fish is often marketed as “ahi,” and it is significantly smaller than its bluefin cousin.
- 30 Pts The “blue” species of this large sport fish, the national fish of the Bahamas, uses its spear-like nose to stun or impale its prey.
- 40 Pts True to its name, this popular food fish is brightly colored; it likes to pop its mouth open and closed quickly, making those half-inch-long teeth fairly dangerous.
- 50 Pts This colorful term allegedly comes from the act of dragging a certain kind of fish across a trail to make hounds lose the scent they are following.

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ANSWERS

BOOKS OF THE BIBLE NAMES

- 10 Pts (Babe) Ruth
- 20 Pts Daniel (Boone)
- 30 Pts Luke (Skywalker)
- 40 Pts James (Taylor)
- 50 Pts (Hey) Jude

SITCOM JOBS

- 10 Pts He was a postal worker.
- 20 Pts He was a psychologist.
- 30 Pts Just as in real life, he was a stand-up comedian.
- 40 Pts She was a substitute teacher.
- 50 Pts He had been a policeman.

WHAT'S THE MISSING ANIMAL?

- 10 Pts *Lambs*
- 20 Pts *Wolves*
- 30 Pts *Gorillas*
- 40 Pts *Mice*
- 50 Pts *Dolphin*

"P" ON THE MAP

- 10 Pts Panama
- 20 Pts Persian Gulf
- 30 Pts Poland
- 40 Pts Phnom Penh
- 50 Pts Portugal

COLORFUL FISH

- 10 Pts Trout
- 20 Pts Tuna
- 30 Pts Marlin
- 40 Pts Red Snapper
- 50 Pts Red Herring