11/17/24 Weekly Word Game

WINners And LOSErs

Estimated play time: Approximately 15 minutes
Number of players: Unlimited
Supplies needed: Scoring board/pad; noisemakers
Suitable for visually impaired players.

Overview:

In every election, there are winners and losers; so in recognition of each, all the answers in this quiz contain either the consecutive letters **WIN** or **LOSE**. (In some cases, the pronunciation of those letters will differ.)

Instructions:

1. This game can be played by individuals or in teams.
2. Read the first definition. 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. Eye gesture that typically indicates a joke or a secret.
2. Not far away.
3. To shine with a flickering light, like stars.
4. Derogatory term for a person who talks a lot but says little of value.
5. She was nominated for an Academy Award for her roles in *An Officer and a Gentleman* (1982), *Terms of Endearment* (1983), and *Shadowlands* (1993).
6. To take possession of a property when the owner fails to pay the mortgage.
7. The person in a family who earns the money.
8. Dress shoes with leather toe caps and decorative perforations.
9. To gradually diminish in size, amount, or strength.
10. Picture in which the target image is very large and fills the frame.
11. A small, involuntary grimace or facial expression that indicates pain, disgust, or distress.
12. Instrument family that includes flutes, oboes, clarinets, and bassoons.
13. Built-in storage space, especially in the bedroom.
14. Informal term for the trachea.
15. The surname adopted by the British royal family.
16. A tribe of mid-western Native Americans; or the recreational vehicle named after them.
17. To use deception to deprive someone of money or possessions.
18. A brief, sudden, sharp localized pain, usually minor in nature.
19. An unexpected piece of good fortune, usually involving a large amount of money.
20. This compound is found in many plants, especially cotton (90%) and wood pulp (40-50%), and is mainly used to produce paper.

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ANSWERS

1. Wink
2. Close
3. Twinkle
4. Windbag
5. Winger (Debra)
6. Foreclose
7. Breadwinner
8. Wingtips
9. Dwindle
10. Closeup
11. Wince
12. Woodwind
13. Closet
14. Windpipe
15. Windsor
16. Winnebago
17. Swindle
18. Twinge
19. Windfall
20. Cellulose

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