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One-Minute Madness

Estimated play time: Approximately 15 minutes

Number of players: Unlimited

Supplies needed: Scoring board/pad; noisemakers

Suitable for visually impaired players

Overview:

One question. One minute. Multiple answers. In One-Minute Madness, a question is asked that has multiple answers (usually anywhere from 5 to 100+). The goal is to see how many correct answers your players can come up with in one minute.

Question:

Unless you live under a rock, you know that Kamala Harris and Donald Trump were the two presidential candidates in the US general election of 2024; but can you remember the two competing candidates who battled in previous elections? You have one minute to name as many presidential election winners and losers as possible – no need to recall the year, just the candidates. *(Note: Several elections also included other candidates. While you get extra kudos for remembering those, for this game you only have to name the two major party candidates.)*

Instructions:

This game can be played several ways:

- Teams of players write down as many answers as they can in one minute, each team getting one point per correct answer;
- Individual players write down as many answers as they can in one minute, scoring as above; or
- All players just shout out answers in a free-for-all style with no scoring.

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ANSWERS

Donald Trump vs. Kamala Harris
 Joe Biden Vs. Donald Trump
 Donald Trump vs. Hillary Clinton
 Barack Obama vs. Mitt Romney
 Barack Obama vs. John McCain
 George W. Bush vs. John Kerry
 George W. Bush vs. Al Gore
 Bill Clinton Vs. Bob Dole
 Bill Clinton Vs. George H. W. Bush
 George H. W. Bush vs. Michael Dukakis
 Ronald Reagan vs. Walter Mondale
 Ronald Reagan vs. Jimmy Carter
 Jimmy Carter vs. Gerald Ford
 Richard Nixon vs. George McGovern
 Richard Nixon vs. Hubert Humphrey
 Lyndon Johnson vs. Barry Goldwater
 John F. Kennedy vs. Richard Nixon
 Adlai Stevenson vs. D. D. Eisenhower
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 Harry Truman vs. Thomas E. Dewey
 F.D. Roosevelt vs. Wendell Willkie
 F.D. Roosevelt vs. Alf Landon
 F.D. Roosevelt vs. Herbert Hoover
 Herbert Hoover vs. Al Smith
 Calvin Coolidge vs. John W. Davis
 Warren G. Harding vs. James M Cox
 Woodrow Wilson vs. Charles Evans Hughes
 Woodrow Wilson vs. William Howard Taft
 William H. Taft vs. William Jennings Bryan

Theodore Roosevelt vs. Alton B. Parker
 William McKinley vs. William Jennings Bryan
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 Grover Cleveland vs. Benjamin Harrison
 Benjamin Harrison vs. Grover Cleveland
 Grover Cleveland vs. James Blaine
 James Garfield vs. Winfield Scott Hancock
 Rutherford B. Hayes vs. Samuel Tilden
 Ulysses S. Grant vs. Horace Greeley
 Ulysses S. Grant vs. Horatio Seymour
 Abraham Lincoln vs. George McClellan
 Abraham Lincoln vs. Stephen A. Douglas
 James Buchanan vs. John Fremont
 Franklin Pierce vs. Winfield Scott
 Zachary Taylor vs. Lewis Cass
 James K. Polk vs. Henry Clay
 William H. Harrison vs. Martin Van Buren
 Martin Van Buren vs. William H. Harrison
 Andrew Jackson vs. Henry Clay
 Andrew Jackson vs. John Quincy Adams
 John Q. Adams vs. Andrew Jackson
 James Monroe vs. John Quincy Adams
 James Monroe vs. Rufus King
 James Madison vs. Dewitt Clinton
 James Madison vs. Charles Pinckney
 Thomas Jefferson vs. Charles Pinckney
 Thomas Jefferson vs. Aaron Burr
 John Adams vs. Thomas Jefferson
 George Washington (unopposed twice)