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# Weekly Trivia Quiz

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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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## 1999

- 10 Pts On his way to a cousin's wedding on this resort island, John F. Kennedy Jr.'s plane crashed, killing him, his wife, and his sister-in-law.
- 20 Pts On January 10, 1999, this landmark television series starring James Gandolfini premiered on HBO.
- 30 Pts Homegrown terrorism gripped Colorado as two teenagers from Littleton opened fire on their teachers and classmates at this high school.
- 40 Pts After 22 years of restoration work, *The Last Supper*, a masterpiece mural painted in the 1490s by this artist, was placed back on display in Milan, Italy.
- 50 Pts On August 9, 1999, this Russian Prime Minister, who was facing significant health problems and a number of political problems, appointed the little known 44-year-old Vladimir Putin as his successor.

## POETS AND POETRY

- 10 Pts In Edgar Allan Poe's most famous poem, what word did the raven repeat over and over again?
- 20 Pts This 19<sup>th</sup>-century British author included several poems in his children's books, including "Jabberwocky" and "The Walrus and the Carpenter."
- 30 Pts Finish this famous American poem: "... and somewhere men are laughing, and somewhere children shout; But there is no joy in Mudville; mighty ..."
- 40 Pts This Beat Generation poet dedicated "Howl" to Carl Solomon, whom he befriended while both were in a mental institution.
- 50 Pts Famous for comic verse, he wrote: "Candy is dandy, but liquor is quicker," and a series of animal verses including: "If called by a panther / Don't anther."

## ACTORS AND THEIR ROLES

- 10 Pts The 1981 film *Endless Love* was this actor's debut movie. Within a few years, he had starring roles in *Top Gun*, *Rain Man*, and the *Mission Impossible* films.
- 20 Pts This actor made his movie debut playing a young teen in *Mystic Pizza*. Nine years later, he skyrocketed to fame in *Good Will Hunting*.
- 30 Pts His first full-length feature film credit was in 1968's *The Lion in Winter*, but he is probably best known as Hannibal Lecter from *The Silence of the Lambs*.
- 40 Pts At the age of ten, she co-starred in Disney's *Napoleon and Samantha*; at fourteen, she starred in *Taxi Driver* with Robert DeNiro; and at twenty-six, she won her first Academy Award for *The Accused*.
- 50 Pts His first film credit was in the movie *Days of Glory* in 1944. The next year, he was nominated for a Best Actor Academy Award for *The Keys of the Kingdom*. His only Oscar win came in 1963 for *To Kill a Mockingbird*.

## FINISH THE LYRICS

- 10 Pts "Amazing Grace, how sweet the sound, that saved a wretch like me. I once was lost but now am found; Was ..."
- 20 Pts "Tonight. Tonight. Won't be just any night. Tonight there will be ..."
- 30 Pts "Don't tell me not to live, just sit and putter; Life's candy and the sun's a ball of butter; Don't bring around a cloud to ..."
- 40 Pts "Imagine there's no heaven. It's easy if you try. No hell below us. Above us ... "
- 50 Pts "Come gather 'round people wherever you roam. And admit that the waters round you have grown. And accept it that soon you'll be drenched to the bone, if your time to you is worth savin'... "

## MEDICINE

- 10 Pts Erythromycin, tetracycline, and penicillin are all this type of drug.
- 20 Pts Vitamin D helps prevent osteoporosis because it increases the body's production of this mineral.
- 30 Pts Drugs including demerol, Celebrex, and oxycontin all treat this problem.
- 40 Pts This class of drugs is sometimes used illegally by athletes to help the body build muscle.
- 50 Pts Valium, Xanax, and Ambien all fall into this category of drugs.

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## ANSWERS

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- 10 Pts Martha's Vineyard
- 20 Pts *The Sopranos*
- 30 Pts Columbine High School
- 40 Pts Leonardo da Vinci
- 50 Pts Boris Yeltsin

### POETS AND POETRY

- 10 Pts "Nevermore"
- 20 Pts Lewis Carroll (Charles Lutwidge Dodgson)
- 30 Pts "...Casey has struck out."
- 40 Pts Allen Ginsberg
- 50 Pts Ogden Nash

### ACTORS AND THEIR ROLES

- 10 Pts Tom Cruise
- 20 Pts Matt Damon
- 30 Pts Anthony Hopkins
- 40 Pts Jodie Foster
- 50 Pts Gregory Peck

### FINISH THE LYRICS

- 10 Pts "... blind, but now, I see."
- 20 Pts "... no morning star."
- 30 Pts "... rain on my parade."
- 40 Pts "... only sky."
- 50 Pts "... Then you better start swimmin' or you'll sink like a stone. For the times they are a-changin'."

### MEDICINE

- 10 Pts Antibiotics/Antibacterial drugs
- 20 Pts Calcium
- 30 Pts They are all pain relievers.
- 40 Pts (Anabolic) Steroids
- 50 Pts Tranquilizers/Sedatives