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Weekly Trivia Quiz 1

Estimated play time: Approximately 20 minutes

Number of players: Unlimited

Supplies needed: Scoring board/pad; noisemakers

For visually impaired

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.

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

US CITY NICKNAMES *(We give you the nicknames; you identify the cities.)*

- 10 Pts Sin City
- 20 Pts Space City
- 30 Pts The Big Pineapple
- 40 Pts Valley of the Sun
- 50 Pts Charm City

BORN THAT WAY *(We provide given names; you provide the names they were known by.)*

- 10 Pts Anthony Benedetto, a popular singer for more than six decades, who was born in New York ... not San Francisco.
- 20 Pts Doris Mary Ann Von Kappelhoff, an actress, singer, and America's favorite "good girl" in the 1950s and 60s.
- 30 Pts Richard Starkey, who is perhaps the most famous drummer in the world.
- 40 Pts David Daniel Kaminsky and Harry Lillis Crosby, Jr., who starred together in the 1954 film *White Christmas*.
- 50 Pts Musician Stevand Hardaway Judkins Morris, who was 11 years old when he made his first recording called "Fingertips," which featured his harmonica skills.

FINISH THE POEM *(And for extra kudos, name the poet.)*

- 10 Pts "Somewhere men are laughing, and somewhere children shout. But there is no joy in Mudville, ..."
- 20 Pts "The time has come, the Walrus said, to talk of many things: of shoes and ships and sealing-wax, of ..."
- 30 Pts "A little learning is ..."
- 40 Pts "Because I could not stop for Death ..."
- 50 Pts "In the room the women come and go ..."

NAME THE MOVIE *(from the song it featured)*

- 10 Pts "And here's to you, Mrs. Robinson, Jesus loves you more than you will know ..."
- 20 Pts "Don't tell me not to live, just sit and putter ..."
- 30 Pts "What good is sitting alone in your room? Come hear the music play ..."
- 40 Pts "Well, you can tell by the way I use my walk, I'm a woman's man; no time to talk ..."
- 50 Pts "Raindrops keep falling on my head ..."

TOM, DICK, OR HARRY?

- 10 Pts This “Wizard of Menlo Park” lit up the world.
- 20 Pts His first leading role was in *Risky Business*, but he soared to Hollywood’s A-list with *Top Gun*.
- 30 Pts It wasn’t his death-defying magic feats that killed him, but a ruptured appendix in 1926 at the age of 52.
- 40 Pts Best known for his television work, he also starred in films such as *Chitty, Chitty, Bang, Bang, Bye-Bye, Birdie*, and *Mary Poppins*.
- 50 Pts Dubbed “The King of Calypso,” he was probably best known for “The Banana Boat Song” and its signature lyric, “Day-O!”

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ANSWERS

US CITY NICKNAMES

- 10 Pts Las Vegas
- 20 Pts Houston
- 30 Pts Honolulu
- 40 Pts Phoenix (and its surrounding area)
- 50 Pts Baltimore

BORN THAT WAY

- 10 Pts Tony Bennett
- 20 Pts Doris Day
- 30 Pts Ringo Starr
- 40 Pts Danny Kaye and Bing Crosby
- 50 Pts Stevie Wonder

FINISH THE POEM

- 10 Pts "... mighty Casey has struck out." "Casey at the Bat" by Ernest Lawrence Thayer
- 20 Pts "... cabbages and kings." "The Walrus and the Carpenter" by Lewis Carroll
- 30 Pts "... a dangerous thing." "An Essay On Criticism" by Alexander Pope
- 40 Pts "... he kindly stopped for me." "Because I Could Not Stop For Death" by Emily Dickinson
- 50 Pts "... talking of Michelangelo." "The Love Song of J. Alfred Prufrock" by T. S. Eliot

NAME THE MOVIE

- 10 Pts *The Graduate* (1967)
- 20 Pts *Funny Girl* (1968)
- 30 Pts *Cabaret* (1972)
- 40 Pts *Saturday Night Fever* (1977)
- 50 Pts *Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid* (1969)

TOM, DICK, OR HARRY?

- 10 Pts Thomas Edison
- 20 Pts Tom Cruise
- 30 Pts Harry Houdini
- 40 Pts Dick Van Dyke
- 50 Pts Harry Belafonte