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# Weekly Trivia Quiz 1

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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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## NEW ENGLAND

- 10 Pts When the location for the book and the movie *The Perfect Storm* was not the ocean, it was set in this historic Massachusetts fishing city.
- 20 Pts This New England state is the only state in the US that shares a border with only one other state.
- 30 Pts "Live free or die" is the defiant motto of this New England state.
- 40 Pts The Massachusetts city of Worcester often vies with this Rhode Island city for the position of second largest city (by population) in New England.
- 50 Pts Which two New England states were not part of the thirteen original colonies?

## OLDE ENGLAND

- 10 Pts Name two of Queen Elizabeth II's four children.
- 20 Pts What was the name of the English port from which the Mayflower departed in 1620 for the New World?
- 30 Pts By what nickname is the London underground subway popularly known?
- 40 Pts Spell the name of the famous British tennis club and tournament competition that starts with the letter W.
- 50 Pts According to English legend, what was the name of the town where Lady Godiva rode naked on a horse to protest the oppressive taxes imposed by her husband.

## WORLD FOOD

- 10 Pts This flat unleavened bread, traditionally made from finely ground corn, has been a Mexican staple food since before the 13th century.
- 20 Pts Hummus, one of the world's oldest foods, can be traced back to ancient Egypt. What is the main ingredient of hummus?
- 30 Pts The classic version of this rich Sicilian pastry is filled with sweetened ricotta cheese.
- 40 Pts Quiche Lorraine is a specific type of quiche that contains egg, cream, and which two other main ingredients?
- 50 Pts Paella (pronounced pie•EH•ya) which usually contains mussels, lobster, shrimp, cuttlefish, and rice, is often considered the unofficial national dish of this country.

## 1949

- 10 Pts In 1949, this 49-year-old author of *Gone with the Wind* was struck and killed by an automobile in Atlanta.
- 20 Pts In 1949, the first law under this new South African political system was passed banning mixed race marriages.
- 30 Pts On October 21, 1949, this current Prime Minister of Israel was born in Tel Aviv. He spent much of his youth living in the US, graduating from a suburban Philadelphia high school and attending college at both MIT and Harvard.
- 40 Pts In 1949, the country of Siam officially changes its name to this – the name that it's known by today.
- 50 Pts On June 8, 1949, this George Orwell novel was published. It was set 35 years into the future in a world at perpetual war, and in a country with an oppressive government led by Big Brother.

## CLASSIC FILMS

- 10 Pts This classic 1965 movie tells the story of the von Trapp family.
- 20 Pts Jack Nicholson's memorable line in this 1975 classic: "I must be crazy to be in a looney bin like this."
- 30 Pts In the 1930s, Elsa Lanchester and husband Charles Laughton were supposed to star in this classic movie, but it wasn't made until the 1950s with Bogart and Hepburn.
- 40 Pts Lawrence Olivier dyed his hair blonde for this 1948 film in order to look more Danish.
- 50 Pts In the classic ending to this 1968 science fiction film, Taylor and Nova discover the sand covered remains of the Statue of Liberty and realize that the "alien" planet they are on is actually the earth long after it was destroyed by a nuclear war.

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## ANSWERS

### NEW ENGLAND

- 10 Pts Gloucester (pronounced GLAW•stir)
- 20 Pts Maine
- 30 Pts New Hampshire
- 40 Pts Providence
- 50 Pts Vermont (which was added in 1791 as the 14<sup>th</sup> state) and Maine (which didn't split off from Massachusetts until 1820).

### OLDE ENGLAND

- 10 Pts Charles, Anne, Andrew, Edward
- 20 Pts Plymouth
- 30 Pts The Tube
- 40 Pts W•I•M•B•L•E•D•O•N
- 50 Pts Coventry

### WORLD FOOD

- 10 Pts Tortilla
- 20 Pts Chickpeas/Garbanzo Beans
- 30 Pts Cannoli
- 40 Pts Bacon and Cheese
- 50 Pts Spain

### 1949

- 10 Pts Margaret Mitchell
- 20 Pts Apartheid
- 30 Pts Benjamin Netanyahu
- 40 Pts Thailand
- 50 Pts 1984

### CLASSIC FILMS

- 10 Pts *The Sound of Music*
- 20 Pts *One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest*
- 30 Pts *The African Queen*
- 40 Pts *Hamlet*
- 50 Pts *The Planet of the Apes*