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Weekly Trivia Quiz 1

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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JOURNALISTS

- 10 Pts They broke the Watergate story while working at *The Washington Post*.
- 20 Pts In 2024, this son of a *60 Minutes* correspondent said he left Fox News in 2021 after eighteen years because he had had “enough of their lies and conspiracies.”
- 30 Pts During the McCarthy era he said, “No one can terrorize a whole nation, unless we are all his accomplices.”
- 40 Pts In 1970, this future journalist was a member of President Richard Nixon’s White House staff. In 1984, she became the first female correspondent for *60 Minutes*.
- 50 Pts This white-suited journalist largely covered the counterculture of the 1960s and 1970s in books including *The Electric Kool-Aid Acid Test* and *The Kandy-Kolored Tangerine-Flake Streamline Baby*. He also wrote about the Mercury Seven astronauts in *The Right Stuff*.

BORDERS

- 10 Pts Name one of the two countries that border Norway.
- 20 Pts Name two of the three countries that border Vietnam.
- 30 Pts Name three of the eight countries that border France.
- 40 Pts Name three of the ten countries that border Brazil.
- 50 Pts Name two of the six countries that border India?

EAT YOUR VEGGIES

- 10 Pts Most mom’s (and Bugs Bunny) know that this vegetable is high in Vitamin A, which is needed by the retina for low light and color vision.
- 20 Pts Although it wasn’t George H. W. Bush’s favorite vegetable, it is one of the best sources of dietary fiber.
- 30 Pts A disease called “Late Blight” wiped out this vegetable crop in mid-19th century Ireland. The resulting famine killed 1.5 million people.
- 40 Pts Green olives are traditionally stuffed with these red vegetables.
- 50 Pts Can you name two of the three vegetables that are highest in calories (with no oil or butter added, just roasted, baked, or cooked in water)?

CANADA, MEXICO, OR THE USA?

- 10 Pts Which is the largest in area?
- 20 Pts Which is the largest in population?
- 30 Pts Which has only one official language?
- 40 Pts Which has the most lakes?
- 50 Pts In which one does the indigenous population (Native Americans) makes up the largest percentage of its total population?

SCARY THINGS

- 10 Pts Which 1960 Alfred Hitchcock film terrified audiences with its infamous shower scene and twist ending? *Psycho*
- 20 Pts In the movie *Beetlejuice* what must be said three times to summon the mischievous ghost? Beetlejuice
- 30 Pts What is the name of the Addams Family's disembodied hand-shaped servant?
 Thing
- 40 Pts Who wrote the poem that begins with "Once upon a midnight dreary ..."? Edgar Allan Poe. The poem is entitled "The Raven."
- 50 Pts Which Halloween monster is traditionally repelled by garlic, drinks blood, and cannot be seen in mirrors? Vampires

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ANSWERS

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- 10 Pts Bob Woodward and Carl Bernstein
- 20 Pts Chris Wallace
- 30 Pts Edward R. Murrow
- 40 Pts Diane Sawyer
- 50 Pts Tom Wolfe

BORDERS

- 10 Pts Sweden and Finland
- 20 Pts Cambodia, China, Laos
- 30 Pts Belgium, Luxembourg, Germany, Switzerland, Italy, Monaco, Andorra, Spain
- 40 Pts Argentina, Bolivia, Colombia, French Guyana, Guyana, Paraguay, Peru, Suriname, Uruguay, Venezuela
- 50 Pts Pakistan, China, Nepal, Bhutan, Myanmar (Burma), and Bangladesh

EAT YOUR VEGGIES

- 10 Pts Carrots
- 20 Pts Broccoli
- 30 Pts Potato
- 40 Pts Pimientos, which are also known as cherry peppers
- 50 Pts Soybeans (approx. 376 calories per cup); Corn (approx. 354 calories per cup); and Potatoes, sweet or white (approx. 225 calories per cup)

CANADA, MEXICO, OR THE USA?

- 10 Pts Canada
- 20 Pts USA
- 30 Pts Mexico. (Canada has two official languages and the US has no official language at the federal level.)
- 40 Pts Canada. (Canada has more lakes than every other country in the world combines.)
- 50 Pts Mexico

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- 10 Pts *Psycho*
- 20 Pts Beetlejuice
- 30 Pts Thing
- 40 Pts Edgar Allan Poe. The poem is entitled "The Raven."
- 50 Pts Vampires