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Last Week's News

Estimated play time: Approximately 15 minutes
Number of players: Unlimited
Supplies needed: Scoring board/pad; noisemakers
Suitable for visually impaired players.

Overview:

This quiz explores some of the news and current events that occurred last week.

Instructions:

1. This game can be played by individuals or in teams.
2. Read the first question. Discussion is permitted among teammates. Prior to the start of the game, a method to signal when a team is ready to answer must be determined. Ringing bells and New Year's blowers are just two inexpensive noisemakers. Raised hands work, but the host must be vigilant to watch for whose hand went up first. The host always has the final say in any disputes.
3. After a player/team is recognized as the first to signal, they may give an answer. If the first answer is incorrect, the other teams may 'buzz' in and answer.
4. Scoring: Give 10 points for each correct answer.

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QUESTIONS

1. What veteran CBS journalist was fired last week after he had a series of clashes with executives? For extra kudos, what news program had he worked for since 1990?
2. Many believe that this new owner of CBS is “killing” *60 Minutes* to curry favor with President Trump.
3. Which former First Lady released a memoir last week?
4. In a rare rebuke of President Trump, four House Republicans joined all Democrats in passing a measure to rein in the president’s power to ... do what?
5. Bill Pulte has been appointed by President Trump to replace Tulsi Gabbard as acting head of this government agency.
6. Can you name the Democratic candidate for US senator from Maine who is facing new controversies regarding his past with women?
7. Which former congressman is being investigated by federal authorities for betting on online prediction markets on his own attendance at the State of the Union address?
8. An experimental pill called daraxonrasib is emerging as a breakthrough treatment for this hard-to-treat type of cancer.
9. Hundreds of thousands of people in this Eastern European country are protesting against a proposed \$1.6 billion luxury resort development planned by Jared Kushner and Ivanka Trump. According to protestors, the property the Kushners want to develop endangers delicate ecosystems, protected coastal wetlands, and unique wildlife habitats.
10. A US District Judge ruled last week that the president’s name must be removed from this federal site.

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ANSWERS

1. Scott Pelley, who has worked at *60 Minutes* for 22 years and at CBS since 1989
2. Billionaire David Ellison, who is the son of Oracle cofounder Larry Ellison.
3. Jill Biden
4. Wage war in Iran. The resolution directs Trump to withdraw US troops from the war with Iran OR to get Congress's approval to continue.
5. Trump wants Pulte to serve as Director of National Intelligence, for which he has no background, training, or experience.
6. Graham Platner, who is running to replace Republican Senator Susan Collins.
7. George Santos, who represented a Long Island, NY district for a less than one year until he was expelled from Congress in 2023 for multiple frauds. He was serving time in federal prison until President Trump commuted his sentence in October 2025.
8. Pancreatic cancer. Darazonsrasib nearly doubled average patient survival times in recent clinical trials.
9. Albania. Protestors believe the Albanian government is allowing this development to curry favor with President Trump.
10. The Kennedy Center. US District Judge Christopher Cooper ruled that the president's handpicked board did not have the authority to change the Kennedy Center's name and all references to President Trump must be removed.