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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. Karoline Leavitt announced that she will be leaving her job at the White House at the end of August. What job is she leaving?
2. A single winning \$1 billion Powerball lottery ticket was sold in a gas station in this state last week.
3. What controversial new security equipment may soon be distributed to ICE agents and officers?
3. Which NBA team sold last week for a record \$12.5 billion to former Disney CEO Bob Iger and Josh Kushner, brother of Ivanka Trump's husband.
4. According to the *New York Times*, President Trump was covertly removed from Air Force One after officials learned of a threat against him from Iran. How was Trump taken off the plane?
5. A destructive 7.4 earthquake hit which South American country this week?
6. Nigel Farage, the British far-right politician competed in a special election last week to keep his seat in Parliament. Do you know the name of the "novelty" candidate who ran against him.
7. What did 36-year-old US Representative from New York, Alexandra Ocasio-Cortez reveal last week about her personal life?
8. Although he has yet to concede the race, this Republican candidate lost his bid for governor of Minnesota by a wide margin.

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ANSWERS

1. Leavitt is President Trump's press secretary
2. Illinois
3. Gloves that deliver electrical shocks
4. The Los Angeles Lakers
5. He hid in a catering container.
6. Colombia. At least 181 people died in the quake and 1,500 buildings were destroyed.
7. Count Binface. The candidate, a character played by the writer and comedian Jon Harvey, claims to be an intergalactic space warrior from the planet Sigma IX. He has run in several elections as part of Britain's long tradition of novelty political candidates. (Note: A "bin" is a wastepaper basket in the UK.)
8. Representative Ocasio Cortez will be freezing her eggs to preserve her reproductive options.
9. Mike "The My Pillow Guy" Lindell lost to Minnesota House Speaker Lisa Demuty. Lindell claims fraud ... without any evidence.