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Name Game

Estimated play time: Approximately 15 minutes

Number of players: Unlimited

Supplies needed: Scoring board/pad; noisemakers

Overview:

This is a two-part game. First, answer the multiple clues in each question. Then, put the clue answers in the correct order to reveal the name of a famous person (living or dead, real or fictional). Example: *The sound of a growl + Men's neckwear + The forest*. Answers: *Grrr + Tie + Woods (Tiger Woods)*.

Note: We recommend that as your players correctly answer each clue, you write those answers on a large pad or white board. Seeing all the answers will help them unscramble the word parts and come up with the famous name.

Instructions:

1. This game can be played by individuals or in teams.
2. Read the clues one at a time, giving players time to come up with possible answers. Discussion is permitted among teammates. Prior to the start of the game, a method to signal when a player/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. When all the clues in a question have been read, give the players time to rearrange the answers to reveal the famous person.
4. After a player/team is recognized as the first to signal, they may give an answer. If the first answer is incorrect, the others may 'buzz' in and answer.
5. Keep score (10 points for each answer) after each question is answered correctly. Play until all questions have been asked and answered.

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1. To top a cake with icing + To injure or offend + To steal.
2. Adult male + Pen or soda bottle cover + Not false + The fifteenth letter in the alphabet + Oolong or Darjeeling.
3. Outer covering of a mollusk + The fifteenth letter in the alphabet + "Say __," said the doctor holding on to a tongue depressor + Pronoun used by the speaker when referring to himself + Explosive device.
4. Unwell or sick + A cold cut or amateur radio operator + The longer signal of the two used in Morse Code + Pronoun used for a thing.
5. The fifth letter of the alphabet + Another term for a mule or donkey + A male cat or turkey + Not soft.
6. A bird's home + To use a bathroom scale + To do "this" is human + Shortening a skirt or dress.
7. President Reagan, informally + A toy that flies in the wind + A vertical structure that separates two rooms + A person from Istanbul.
8. Mr. Hefner + What a dentist will do with a cavity + Ms. Reed who starred opposite Jimmy Stewart in *It's a Wonderful Life*.
9. The opposite of pro + The first letter in the alphabet + One section of a chain + Excessively theatrical actor + Women's undergarment.
10. The facial bone where teeth are found + Not off + Automotive vehicles + Body part between the thigh and the calf.
11. The fifth letter in the alphabet + A thin, flat game piece used in Scrabble or Mahjong + A female horse + Open, peaty, uncultivated land; a heath or fen + To make a mistake.
12. To use oars + Boats like Noah's + Maple tree fluid.

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ANSWERS

1. Frost + Hurt + Rob *(Robert Frost)*
2. Man + Cap + True + O + Tea *(Truman Capote)*
3. Shell + O + Ah + Me + Bomb *(Michelle Obama)*
4. Ill + Ham + Dash + It *(Dashiell Hammett)*
5. E + Ass + Tom + Hard *(Thomas Hardy)*
6. Nest + Way + Err + Hemming *(Ernest Hemingway)*
7. Ron + Kite + Wall + Turk *(Walter Cronkite)*
8. Hugh + Fill + Donna *(Phil Donahue)*
9. Con + A + Link + Ham + Bra *(Abraham Lincoln)*
10. Jaw + On + Cars + Knee *(Johnny Carson)*
11. E + Tile + Mare + Moor + Err *(Mary Tyler Moore)*
12. Row + Arks + Sap *(Rosa Parks)*