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Stinky Pinky

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

Overview:

We have humorist George S. Kaufman to thank for this word game. Kaufman was a founding member of the Algonquin Round Table, a club from 1920's New York that included such literary luminaries as Dorothy Parker, H.L. Mencken, and Robert Benchley. Kaufman loved mind puzzles, and was the inventor of this one, which he called **Stinky Pinky**. It's a word definition game — with a twist. Here's an example:

Definition: A detective who specializes in finding incisors or canines.

Answer: Tooth Sleuth

Each **Stinky Pinky** answer contains two words that rhyme; and you must figure out what the answer is from a somewhat offbeat definition. Here's another example:

Definition: A large-mouthed fish made from window material.

Answer: Glass Bass

Instructions:

1. This game can be played by individuals or in teams.
2. Read the first definition. 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. Mr. Gore's friends.
2. Dumb Roman god of love.
3. Irritable New York baseball player.
4. Russian emperors' automobiles.
5. Between meal treat for a Himalayan ox.
6. The main robber.
7. Filet of cobra.
8. Mr. Eastwood's after dinner candies.
9. Miss Piggy's loner and reclusive boyfriend.
10. News anchor Diane's attorneys.
11. A cantaloupe that has broken the law.
12. Toast spread made of sweet potato.
13. Noses of computer nerds.
14. US President James K.'s mom and dad.

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ANSWERS

1. Al's Pals
2. Stupid Cupid
3. Cranky Yankee
4. Czars' Cars
5. Yak Snack
6. Chief Thief
7. Snake Steak
8. Clint's Mints
9. Hermit Kermit
10. Sawyer's Lawyers
11. Felon Melon
12. Yam Jam
13. Geeks' Beaks
14. Polk's Folks