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This Week in History

Estimated play time: Varies
Number of players: Unlimited
Supplies needed: Scoring board/pad
Suitable for visually impaired players.

Overview:

This weekly quiz looks at historical events for each day of this coming week – just a question or two per day. You can choose to make this a standard group game … or you might think about posting the questions for each day – perhaps in the dining room or the elevator – to inspire participation even from those residents who don't join in on the group game activities.

Instructions:

1. This game can be played by individuals or in teams.
2. Read the first clue. 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. 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.
4. 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. This company, located in Santa Clara, California, released the world's first commercial single-chip microprocessor.
2. 2006. This television network, which is headquartered in Qatar and broadcasts news and public affairs programming from a Middle Eastern perspective, launched its worldwide English-language network.

NOVEMBER 16

3. 1920. This national airline of Australia was founded.
4. 1960. This actor, known as the "King of Hollywood" for nearly three decades, died of a heart attack at the age of 59, just days after finishing work on *The Misfits*, which co-starred Marilyn Monroe and Montgomery Clift.

NOVEMBER 17

5. 1869. This waterway between the Mediterranean Sea and the Red Sea was opened to shipping traffic. Ten years in construction, it enabled ships to travel from Europe to Asia without having to go around Africa.
6. 1962. President John F. Kennedy dedicated this second airport to serve the Washington DC area, which was named in honor of President Eisenhower's Secretary of State during the early years of the Cold War.

NOVEMBER 18

7. 1928. The Disney Corporation designated Nov. 18 as the birthday of this character, the star of the full-sound animated short *Steamboat Willie*, which was first released 98 years ago.
8. 1978. This Peoples Temple founder led hundreds of his followers in a mass murder-suicide at their agricultural commune in Guyana.

NOVEMBER 19

9. 1863. President Abraham Lincoln gave this 270-word, two-minute-long oration. It is now regarded as one of the greatest speeches in US history.
10. 1955. *The National Review*, America's first successful conservative news and public affairs magazine, was founded by this 30-year-old intellectual and conservative author, who went on to host the conservative talk show *Firing Line* for 30 years (1966 – 1996).

NOVEMBER 20

11. 1945. The year-long "Trial of the Major War Criminals" before the International Military Tribunal, commenced in this German city. Twenty-two captured Nazi leaders were tried, including Martin Bormann, Hermann Goering, and Rudolf Hess.
12. 1947. Queen Elizabeth II married Philip Mountbatten in this London landmark that was founded in the year 960AD (1,066 years ago).

NOVEMBER 21

13. 1935. The NY Yankees acquired this San Francisco native and shortstop for the San Francisco Seals for $25,000. He would play his entire career with the Yankees, retiring in 1951.
14. 1980. American TV viewers finally learned that Kristin Shepard, the sister-in-law played by Mary Crosby, was the one who committed this famous TV crime.

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ANSWERS

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1. Intel
2. Al Jazeera

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3. Qantas
4. Clark Gable

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5. The Suez Canal
6. Dulles Airport, named after John Foster Dulles

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7. The 98-year-old character is Mickey Mouse.
8. Jim Jones

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9. *The Gettysburg Address*
10. William F. Buckley

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11. Nuremburg
12. Westminster Abbey

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13. Joe DiMaggio
14. *Dallas*

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