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# Weekly Trivia Quiz

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Estimated play time: Approximately 20 minutes  
Number of players: Unlimited  
Supplies needed: Scoring board/pad; noisemakers  
Suitable for visually impaired players.

## Overview:

You already know how to play trivia quizzes. Here are a few additional ideas to consider if you want a more, or less, competitive game.

## Instructions

1. Create a tournament format in which permanent teams compete in playoffs and a final champion team is crowned.
2. Collect a small amount of money from each player (for example, 50 cents or a dollar) and put it into a kitty. The winning team splits the kitty.
3. Buy some lottery tickets to use as prizes for the winners (and runners up).
4. To create a less competitive game, just give one point for every question answered.

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## 1926

- 10 Pts This American comedian, filmmaker, and humanitarian was born on March 16, 1926 as Joseph Levitch in Newark, NJ. He began his charitable work with the Muscular Dystrophy Association (MDA) in 1951, when he was 25 years old.
- 20 Pts Upon the death of his father, this 25-year-old prince began his reign as Emperor of Japan, a title he held through WWII and until his death in 1989.
- 30 Pts This children's book by A. A. Milne was published in London.
- 40 Pts In an effort to prevent union activity in his factories, this automobile maker created a new reduced 40-hour work week – five eight-hour days.
- 50 Pts Scottish inventor John Logie Baird demonstrated this invention in London for members of the Royal Institution and a reporter from *The Times*.

## “NEW” PLACES

- 10 Pts Three of the original thirteen colonies that broke from the British crown in 1775 had (and still have) names that begin with the word New. What are they?
- 20 Pts This Indian capital city replaced Calcutta as the seat of government in 1911.
- 30 Pts Name all six states that make up the northeast US region called New England.
- 40 Pts This large island nation, which lies southeast of Australia, was the setting for *The Lord of the Rings* films.
- 50 Pts The name of this Canadian province translates to “New Scotland.”

## FINISH THE WEATHER LYRICS

- 10 Pts “The weather outside is frightful, but the fire is so delightful. And since we’ve no place to go ...”
- 20 Pts “You are my sunshine, my only sunshine. You make me happy, when ...”
- 30 Pts “Don’t tell me not to live, just sit and putter. Life’s candy and the sun’s a ball of butter. Don’t bring around a cloud ...”
- 40 Pts “Little Darling, it’s been a long, cold, lonely, winter. Little Darling, it feels like years since you’ve been here ...”
- 50 Pts “All the leaves are brown and the sky is gray...”

### **FANCY NANCY**

- 10 Pts The famous daughter who had a hit song out of "These Boots Are Made For Walkin'."
- 20 Pts The fictional teenage amateur sleuth who first appeared in *The Secret of the Old Clock*, published in 1930.
- 30 Pts This Olympic figure skater won Bronze in Albertville in 1992 and Silver in Lillehammer in 1994.
- 40 Pts She was born Anne Frances Robbins in 1921; was given the nickname Nancy as a baby; was adopted by her mother's second husband and became Nancy Davis ... until she took her famous husband's last name in 1952.
- 50 Pts This Republican member of the US House of Representatives from South Carolina announced her candidacy for governor of South Carolina in 2026.

### **THAT TAKES THE CAKE**

- 10 Pts In which famous children's book does a character eat a cake labeled "EAT ME," causing her to grow dramatically larger?
- 20 Pts The phrase "Let them eat cake" is commonly attributed to this French queen, despite the fact that historians doubt she actually ever said it.
- 30 Pts This "cake" idiom describes the desire for two mutually-exclusive outcomes or benefits at the same time.
- 40 Pts This German cake is made with chocolate layers, cherries, and whipped cream.
- 50 Pts Where did "someone" leave the cake in the 1968 hit song "MacArthur Park," sung by the actor Richard Harris?

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## ANSWERS

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- 10 Pts Jerry Lewis
- 20 Pts Hirohito
- 30 Pts *Winnie-the-Pooh*
- 40 Pts Henry Ford
- 50 Pts Television

### NEW PLACES

- 10 Pts New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York
- 20 Pts New Delhi
- 30 Pts Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, Vermont
- 40 Pts New Zealand
- 50 Pts Nova Scotia

### FINISH THE WEATHER LYRICS

- 10 Pts “ ... let it snow, let it snow, let it snow.”
- 20 Pts “ ... skies are gray.”
- 30 Pts “ ... to rain on my parade.”
- 40 Pts “ ... Here comes the sun (doo-doo-do), here comes the sun. And I say, it’s all right.”
- 50 Pts “ ... I’ve been for a walk on a winter’s day.”

### FANCY NANCY

- 10 Pts Nancy Sinatra
- 20 Pts Nancy Drew
- 30 Pts Nancy Kerrigan
- 40 Pts Nancy Reagan
- 50 Pts Nancy Mace

### THAT TAKES THE CAKE

- 10 Pts *Alice’s Adventures in Wonderland*
- 20 Pts Marie Antoinette
- 30 Pts “You can’t have your cake and eat it, too.”
- 40 Pts Black Forest cake
- 50 Pts “Someone left the cake out in the rain ...”