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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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## QUESTIONS

### SECOND-LARGEST CITY (*Of what country?*)

- 10 Pts Geneva
- 20 Pts Cork
- 30 Pts St. Petersburg
- 40 Pts Kandahar
- 50 Pts Lahore

### WHAT NUMBER COMES NEXT?

- 10 Pts 12, 24, 36, 48, \_\_\_\_\_
- 20 Pts 10, 20, 40, 80, \_\_\_\_\_
- 30 Pts 17, 71, 23, 32, 49, \_\_\_\_\_
- 40 Pts 17, 19, 23, 29, 31, \_\_\_\_\_
- 50 Pts 12, 34, 56, 78, \_\_\_\_\_

### EDDIE CANTOR HITS (*Finish the lyric.*)

- 10 Pts "Ain't she sweet? See her ..."
- 20 Pts "Come on and hear ..."
- 30 Pts "By the light ..."
- 40 Pts "He floats through the air with ..."
- 50 Pts "Another bride. Another groom. Another ..."

### WHO WAS PRESIDENT WHEN ... ?

- 10 Pts The first female Supreme Court Justice took the bench?
- 20 Pts Princess Diana died in a car crash in Paris?
- 30 Pts Alexander Hamilton was killed in a duel?
- 40 Pts Alaska and Hawaii became states?
- 50 Pts John Glenn orbited the earth from outer space for the first time?

## 1970

- 10 Pts When this news broadcaster retired in 1970, he went back home to Montana. His partner, David Brinkley, went on to co-anchor the new *NBC Nightly News* show.
- 20 Pts President Richard Nixon signed a law that banned this kind of advertising in the United States.
- 30 Pts “I Want You Back” became the first Billboard No. 1 Hot 100 hit single for this family musical group of five boys, ranging in age from 12 to 21.
- 40 Pts During a Vietnam war protest against the US incursion into Cambodia, four students at this university were killed and nine wounded by Ohio National Guardsmen.
- 50 Pts Two 27-year-old rock and roll icons died in 1970. One, a Seattle-born guitar virtuoso, died of a drug overdose in a London hotel. The other, a young Texan famous for her gravelly-voice and soulful sound, died of a heroin overdose in Hollywood, CA. Can you name both?

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## ANSWERS

### SECOND-LARGEST CITY

- 10 Pts Switzerland. The largest city is Zürich.
- 20 Pts Ireland. The largest city is Dublin.
- 30 Pts Russia. The largest city is Moscow.
- 40 Pts Afghanistan. The largest city is Kabul.
- 50 Pts Pakistan. The largest city is Karachi.

### WHAT NUMBER COMES NEXT?

- 10 Pts 60. Each successive number increases by 12.
- 20 Pts 160. Each number is twice as much as the previous number.
- 30 Pts 94. Each second number is the reverse of the number before it.
- 40 Pts 37. The numbers are consecutive prime numbers (numbers whose only factors are 1 and itself).
- 50 Pts 910. Take away the commas and the numbers ascend: 1, 2, 3, 4, etc.

### EDDIE CANTOR HITS

- 10 Pts "... walking down the street. Well, I ask you very confidentially, ain't she sweet?"
- 20 Pts "... come on and hear, Alexander's Ragtime Band. Come on and hear, come on and hear, it's the best band in the land."
- 30 Pts "... of the silvery moon, I want to spoon, to my honey I'll croon love's tune."
- 40 Pts "... the greatest of ease. The daring young man on the flying trapeze."
- 50 Pts "... sunny honeymoon. Another season. Another reason. For making whoopee."

### WHO WAS PRESIDENT WHEN ... ?

- 10 Pts Ronald Reagan
- 20 Pts Bill Clinton
- 30 Pts Thomas Jefferson. (Hamilton was killed by then-current Vice President Aaron Burr.)
- 40 Pts Eisenhower
- 50 Pts John F. Kennedy

### FIFTY YEARS AGO

- 10 Pts Chet Huntley
- 20 Pts Advertising cigarettes on television
- 30 Pts The Jackson Five
- 40 Pts Kent State University
- 50 Pts Jimi Hendrix and Janis Joplin