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Weekly Trivia Quiz

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

NAME IT!

- 10 Pts A reading and writing system for the blind, named after its inventor.
- 20 Pts Epithet for a miserly person, named after a Dickens character.
- 30 Pts The process of sterilizing milk, named after the chemist who invented it.
- 40 Pts An addictive substance, named after the Frenchman who introduced tobacco to France.
- 50 Pts Photographers who specialize in candid shots of celebrities, named after a character in the 1960 Italian film, *La Dolce Vita*.

MEASURE IT!

- 10 Pts How much is 48 inches expressed in feet?
- 20 Pts How much is 0 degrees centigrade expressed in Fahrenheit?
- 30 Pts How much is 1.5 yards expressed in inches?
- 40 Pts How much is 100 pounds expressed in ounces?
- 50 Pts How much is 44 oz. expressed in cups?

SPELL IT!

- 10 Pts Spell the name of the flightless bird that is found almost exclusively in the Antarctic.
- 20 Pts Spell the Spanish word for "thanks."
- 30 Pts Spell the last name of Ginger Rogers' dance partner Fred.
- 40 Pts Spell the last name of the former senator from Connecticut who was Al Gore's pick for vice president in the 2000 presidential campaign.
- 50 Pts Spell the word for the scientific study of weather.

FIND IT!

- 10 Pts In what US state would you find Brigham Young University?
- 20 Pts In what country would you find the ancient town of Pompeii, a city that was buried in lava when Mt. Vesuvius erupted in 79 AD?
- 30 Pts In what Massachusetts city would you find the six acres of waterfront property that was (and still is) the family home of the Kennedy clan?
- 40 Pts In what country would you find the headquarters for the Volvo car company?
- 50 Pts Name one of the three countries you would find on the Iberian Peninsula in southwestern Europe.

REMEMBER IT?

- 10 Pts Do you remember the name of the watch company that used the advertising slogan “It takes a licking and keeps on ticking”?
- 20 Pts Do you remember the name of the river on which pilot “Sully” Sullenberger made a miracle landing in 2009 of a US Air commercial plane, saving the lives of all 155 people on board?
- 30 Pts Do you remember the name of the host of the 1950’s news and interview program *See It Now*?
- 40 Pts Do you remember the name of the actress who played TV’s Ethel Mertz, Lucy Ricardo’s best friend?
- 50 Pts Today, this large city in India is called Mumbai. Do you remember Mumbai’s former name?

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ANSWERS

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- 10 Pts Braille (Louis Braille)
- 20 Pts Scrooge (Ebenezer Scrooge)
- 30 Pts Pasteurization (Louis Pasteur)
- 40 Pts Nicotine (Jean Nicot)
- 50 Pts Paparazzi (Paparazzo)

MEASURE IT!

- 10 Pts 4 feet. (There are 12 inches to one foot.)
- 20 Pts 32 degrees Fahrenheit
- 30 Pts 54 inches (There are 36 inches to a yard.)
- 40 Pts 1,600 ounces (There are 16 ounces to one pound.)
- 50 Pts 5.5 cups (There are 8 ounces to one cup.)

SPELL IT!

- 10 Pts P-E-N-G-U-I-N
- 20 Pts G-R-A-C-I-A-S
- 30 Pts A-S-T-A-I-R-E
- 40 Pts L-I-E-B-E-R-M-A-N
- 50 Pts M-E-T-E-O-R-O-L-O-G-Y

FIND IT!

- 10 Pts Utah
- 20 Pts Italy
- 30 Pts Hyannis Port (or Hyannis)
- 40 Pts Sweden
- 50 Pts Spain, Portugal, and Andorra

REMEMBER IT?

- 10 Pts Timex
- 20 Pts The Hudson River
- 30 Pts Edward R. Murrow
- 40 Pts Vivian Vance
- 50 Pts Bombay