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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

TITLE CHARACTERS

- 10 Pts This Mark Twain character travels down the Mississippi River on a raft with Jim, an escaped slave.
- 20 Pts This Bram Stoker character has the unusual ability to transform himself into a bat.
- 30 Pts This Miguel de Cervantes character's loyal squire was Sancho Panza, who was actually a simple farm laborer.
- 40 Pts This Charlotte Brontë character became governess to the children of Mr. Rochester, the brooding master of Thornfield Hall.
- 50 Pts This Joanna Spyri character was taken to the high Swiss Alps to live with her reclusive grandfather.

TRIPLE T'S

- 10 Pts Body art.
- 20 Pts To tell secrets or inform on one another, especially by children; to snitch.
- 30 Pts Tried.
- 40 Pts Egg based Italian dish, similar to an omelet or crustless quiche.
- 50 Pts A formal law passed by a legislative body.

BOSTON

- 10 Pts This other state capital is the one closest to Boston – about 49 miles away.
- 20 Pts This tourist pathway is 2.5 miles long, starting at the Boston Common and ending at the Bunker Hill Monument.
- 30 Pts The 2015 Academy Award-winning film *Spotlight* told the story of this newspaper's investigation into the coverup of child sexual abuse within the Roman Catholic Church.
- 40 Pts To honor this 1941 classic children's book by Robert McCloskey, bronze statues of Mrs. Mallard and her eight little ones (Jack, Kack, Lack, Mack, Nack, Ouack, Pack, and Quack) were installed in the Boston Public Garden in the 1980s.
- 50 Pts This major thoroughfare is 16 miles long, starting in the Dorchester neighborhood of Boston, running through Roxbury, Back Bay, crossing the Charles River into Cambridge, then through Arlington and ending in Lexington. Paul Revere raced through a section of it in his famous ride.

COLD FOODS

- 10 Pts These thin strips of salt-cured or brined salmon are sometimes smoked and often accompany bagels and cream cheese.
- 20 Pts The main ingredients in this French cream soup are leeks and potatoes ... and it is meant to be served chilled.
- 30 Pts This dish consists of raw ground (minced) beef topped with a raw egg yolk.
- 40 Pts This cold, blended, tomato and vegetable soup comes from the Iberian Peninsula (Spain and Portugal) and is often enjoyed in the summer.
- 50 Pts Shrimp served this way is not so much cooked as cured in citrus juice, such as lemon or lime.

ANAGRAMMED BUGS

- 10 Pts Leaf
- 20 Pts Paws
- 30 Pts Prides
- 40 Pts Emitter
- 50 Pts Throne

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ANSWERS

TITLE CHARACTERS

- 10 Pts Huckleberry Finn
- 20 Pts Dracula
- 30 Pts Don Quixote
- 40 Pts Jane Eyre
- 50 Pts Heidi

TRIPLE T'S

- 10 Pts Tattoo
- 20 Pts Tattle
- 30 Pts Attempted
- 40 Pts Frittata
- 50 Pts Statute

BOSTON

- 10 Pts Providence
- 20 Pts The Freedom Trail
- 30 Pts *The Boston Globe*
- 40 Pts *Make Way for Ducklings*
- 50 Pts Massachusetts Avenue

COLD FOODS

- 10 Pts Lox (or gravlax)
- 20 Pts Vichyssoise (VISH-ee-shwahz)
- 30 Pts Steak tartare
- 40 Pts Gazpacho
- 50 Pts Ceviche (suh•VEE•chay)

ANAGRAMMED BUGS

- 10 Pts Flea
- 20 Pts Wasp
- 30 Pts Spider
- 40 Pts Termite
- 50 Pts Hornet