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Weekly Trivia Quiz 1

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

A "WORLD" OF TRIVIA

10 Pts Louis Armstrong sees "trees of green" and "skies of blue" and he thinks to himself … this.

20 Pts This Cold War terminology is outdated and considered offensive. Today the term "developing countries" or "emerging countries" is used instead.

30 Pts Published in 1932, this Aldous Huxley novel is about a future world where people are "designed" to fit into society, kept happy with drugs and entertainment, and discouraged from thinking for themselves.

40 Pts According to the 1941 song by The Ink Spots, "I don't want to" do this … "I just want to start a flame in your heart."

50 Pts This line begins Shakespeare's "Seven Ages of Man" speech from *As You Like It.*

JAMES

10 Pts Name two of the six US presidents named James.

20 Pts Which American actor provided the deep, distinctive voice of Darth Vader in the *Star Wars* films?

30 Pts The James River begins in the Appalachian Mountains, crosses most of this US state, and empties into the Chesapeake Bay.

40 Pts The song and the album entitled *Sweet Baby James,* launched the career of this singer-songwriter in 1970.

50 Pts Scottish author James Matthew Barrie, known better as J. M. Barrie, wrote this classic children's book in 1904.

UNIQUE FIRST NAMES

10 Pts What is the first name of the eccentric neighbor played by Michael Richards on *Seinfeld*?

20 Pts What is the first name of the matriarch of *The Addams Family*, the wife of Gomez and mother of Wednesday and Pugsley?

30 Pts What is the first name of the 20th century Spanish artist, famous for his surrealist paintings and flamboyant mustache?

40 Pts What is the first name of the 15th century artist who painted the Sistine Chapel ceiling and sculpted the *Pietá*?

50 Pts What is the first name of the revenge-obsessed captain who hunts Moby Dick in Herman Melville's famous novel?

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75-YEAR-OLD FILMS

10 Pts This 1951 film is perhaps the best-known version of Charles Dickens' famous ghost story.

20 Pts This 1951 Oscar-winning film, adapted from a 1947 Tennessee Williams play, was directed by Elia Kazan and starred Vivien Leigh and Marlon Brando.

30 Pts Humphrey Bogart plays a rough-hewn riverboat captain and Katharine Hepburn plays a missionary during World War in this adventure film that debuted 75 years ago.

40 Pts In this 1951 release, the film's star, Ronald Reagan, was nearly suffocated by his co-star, a chimpanzee who grabbed Reagan's tie and wouldn't let go.

50 Pts The first film adapted from this Arthur Miller play premiered in 1951 starring Fredric March as Willy Loman

BRITISH ENGLISH

10 Pts We like cookies. Brits iike these …

20 Pts This is what the trunk and the hood of a car is called in Britain.

30 Pts We use this word for a sleeveless dress. In Britain, it's a sweater.

40 Pts In Britain, this term has nothing to do with teeth, but it is related to holding your pants up.

50 Pts Americans use flashlights when the power goes out. Brits use these.

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ANSWERS

A "WORLD" OF TRIVIA

10 Pts "What a wonderful world"
20 Pts Third World (countries)
30 Pts *Brave New World*
40 Pts "I don't want to set the world on fire …"
50 Pts *"All the world's a stage …"*

JAMES

10 Pts Madison, Monroe, Polk, Buchanan, Garfield, Carter (better known as Jimmy)
20 Pts James Earl Jones
30 Pts Virginia
40 Pts James Taylor
50 Pts Peter Pan

UNIQUE FIRST NAMES

10 Pts Cosmo
20 Pts Morticia
30 Pts Salvador (Dalí)
40 Pts Michelangelo. His last name was Buonarroti and his full name was Michelangelo di Lodovico Buonarroti Simoni
50 Pts Captain Ahab

75-YEAR-OLD FILMS

10 Pts *A Christmas Carol*
20 Pts *A Streetcar Named Desire*
30 Pts *The African Queen*
40 Pts *Bedtime for Bonzo*
50 Pts *Death of a Salesman*

BRITISH ENGLISH

10 Pts Biscuits
20 Pts The boot (trunk) and the bonnet (hood)
30 Pts Jumper
40 Pts Braces (… suspenders to us)
50 Pts Torches

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