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Weekly Trivia Quiz 2

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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FAMOUS PROPLE WITH GEOGRAPHICAL SURNAMES

- 10 Pts Ray _____ The river that flows through Boston.
- 20 Pts Jack _____ The site of Buckingham Palace and the home of Harrods.
- 30 Pts Burt _____ The county in Pennsylvania known for its large Amish community.
- 40 Pts Michael _____ The biblical river that flows into the Dead Sea.
- 50 Pts Perry _____ The Italian Lake at the foot of the Alps, that has been a popular retreat for the elites since ancient Rome.

"GREAT" THINGS

- 10 Pts This group of five lakes that forms much of the border between the US and Canada holds 21% of the world's surface fresh water.
- 20 Pts This nickname for Broadway originated in the 1880s because the area was so brightly lit by advertising signs.
- 30 Pts Ask a sports fan to name two GOATs and he might answer: Tom Brady and Wayne Gretzky. What is a GOAT?
- 40 Pts This marine ecosystem off the coast of Australia stretches for 1600 miles and is made up of billions of living coral organisms.
- 50 Pts This was Charles Dickens' thirteenth (and next-to-the-last) novel. It depicts the education of an orphan named Pip.

1950'S AND 1960'S FASHION

- 10 Pts These two Disney television programs, both starring Fess Parker, gave rise to the popularity of the coonskin cap.
- 20 Pts A short curly hairstyle and a wide skirt made of felt — both icons of the 1950s — were named after this popular pet.
- 30 Pts We only need one of the three names used to describe these tight-fitting, calf-length trousers for women. (Laura Petrie often wore them on *The Dick Van Dyke Show*.)
- 40 Pts Which type of shoe became closely associated with 1950's teenage fashion and was often worn with rolled-up jeans?
- 50 Pts The 1960s saw a great revival of this colorful, repetitive, curled teardrop-shaped design that had its origins in India and Iran.

TRANSLATED CITIES

- 10 Pts The Spanish name of this capital city of Argentina translates as “Good Air.”
- 20 Pts The name of this affluent Florida city translates from Spanish as “Mouth of the Mouse.”
- 30 Pts The French name of this southern US capital city translates as “Red Stick.”
- 40 Pts The name of this Bolivian capital translates as “The Peace.”
- 50 Pts The largest Metropolitan area and economic center of Morocco, this ancient city’s name translates from the original Arabic, to Portuguese, and then to Spanish as “White House”.

HOT AND COLD TITLES

- 10 Pts Marilyn Monroe, Tony Curtis, and Jack Lemmon all wore dresses in this 1959 classic movie.
- 20 Pts This Tennessee Williams play was adapted as a 1958 movie starring Elizabeth Taylor and Paul Newman.
- 30 Pts Truman Capote’s tale of the brutal murder of a Kansas family was a 1966 best-selling book and a 1967 movie.
- 40 Pts This 1997 novel by Charles Frazier about a Civil War deserter trying to get home to his lady love was made into a 2003 film starring Jude Law and Nicole Kidman.
- 50 Pts This 1971 satirical comedy, starring Dick Van Dyke and written and directed by Normal Lear, told the story of a small Iowa town that entered a contest to quit smoking on a given date for thirty days. If they succeeded, the prize was \$25 million.

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ANSWERS

GEOGRAPHICAL SURNAMES

- 10 Pts Charles
- 20 Pts London
- 30 Pts Lancaster
- 40 Pts Jordan
- 50 Pts Como

"GREAT" THINGS

- 10 Pts The Great Lakes
- 20 Pts The Great White Way
- 30 Pts GOAT stands for "Greatest of All Time."
- 40 Pts The Great Barrier Reef
- 50 Pts *Great Expectations*

1950'S AND 1960'S FASHION

- 10 Pts *Davy Crockett* and *Daniel Boone*
- 20 Pts Poodle (poodle cut and poodle skirt)
- 30 Pts Pedal pushers, Capri pants, clam diggers
- 40 Pts Saddle shoes
- 50 Pts Paisley

TRANSLATED CITIES

- 10 Pts Buenos Aires
- 20 Pts Boca Raton
- 30 Pts Baton Rouge
- 40 Pts La Paz
- 50 Pts Casablanca. Some historians believe that Casablanca was named after a white-washed community building that served as a landmark for sailors.

HOT AND COLD TITLES

- 10 Pts *Some Like it Hot*
- 20 Pts *Cat on a Hot Tin Roof*
- 30 Pts *In Cold Blood*
- 40 Pts *Cold Mountain*
- 50 Pts *Cold Turkey*