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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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QUESTIONS

TWINS POTPOURRI

- 10 Pts This 1980 movie, based on a Stephen King novel, inevitably conjures the vision of spooky twin girls staring dead-eyed into the camera.
- 20 Pts Name the two unlikely actors, one tall and muscular and the other short and stocky, that starred in the 1988 comedy film *Twins*.
- 30 Pts In the US, what are "The Twin Cities"?
- 40 Pts Who is the only US president that had twin children?
- 50 Pts In the 1988 movie *Twins*, who played the unlikely twin brother of Danny DeVito?

HISTORY POTPOURRI

- 10 Pts The National Museum of African American History and Culture opened in 2016 as part of this museum complex.
- 20 Pts In July 1984, she accepted the Democratic Party's nomination for vice president at the convention in San Francisco.
- 30 Pts He was the Japanese head of state in 1941 when the US declared war on Japan, a day after the attack on Pearl Harbor.
- 40 Pts It will come as no surprise that, according to the opinion ranking website *TheTopTens.com*, Adolph Hitler is "The Worst Person in History." Can you come up with one other name listed in the top five in their most recent poll?
- 50 Pts In 1923, this international law enforcement organization, which facilitates worldwide police cooperation and crime control, was founded in Lyon, France.

DESSERTS

- 10 Pts Perhaps people who mend shoes enjoy this popular dessert, which usually has a fruit filling.
- 20 Pts "Dirt cakes" have become a popular birthday offering. Served in a small bucket, the "dirt" is crushed Oreo cookies, and the creatures found there are this wriggly candy.
- 30 Pts This type of cheese is typically used in cheesecake and cannolis.
- 40 Pts This French phrase, meaning "in the fashion," indicates that you want ice cream with your dessert
- 50 Pts This New Orleans specialty, the official doughnut of Louisiana, goes great with a cup of chicory coffee.

SODA

- 10 Pts In some versions of the logo for this Coca-Cola soda product, the “I” in the name seems to be dotted with a half lemon-half lime.
- 20 Pts Without British scientist Joseph Priestley’s studies of oxygen, we would never have this unique feature of soda.
- 30 Pts In 1929, this soda was introduced as “Bib-Label Lithiated Lemon-Lime Soda.” It got its current name in 1936, and its nickname, “The UnCola,” in the 1970s.
- 40 Pts In addition to root beer, A&W brand also sells this vanilla-flavored soda.
- 50 Pts In 1905, Coca-Cola removed this controversial original ingredient, but kept the caffeine.

LITERARY FIRST LINES *(We provide the opening line; you give us the book’s title.)*

- 10 Pts "Dorothy lived in the midst of the great Kansas prairies ..." (1900)
- 20 Pts "All children, except one, grow up." (c. 1902)
- 30 Pts “ ‘Christmas won’t be Christmas without any presents,’ grumbled Jo, lying on the rug.” (1868)
- 40 Pts “Mr. Jones, of the Manor Farm, had locked the hen-houses for the night ...” (1945)
- 50 Pts “The great fish moved silently through the night water, propelled by short sweeps of its crescent tail.” (1974)

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ANSWERS

TWINS POTPOURRI

- 10 Pts *The Shining*
- 20 Pts Arnold Schwarzenegger and Danny DeVito
- 30 Pts Minneapolis and St. Paul, Minnesota
- 40 Pts George W. Bush
- 50 Pts Arnold Schwarzenegger

HISTORY POTPOURRI

- 10 Pts The Smithsonian
- 20 Pts Geraldine Ferraro
- 30 Pts Emperor Hirohito
- 40 Pts 2) Joseph Stalin; 3) Mao Zedong; 4) Osama bin Laden; 5) Pol Pot. FYI: #6 is Heinrich Himmler; #7 is Ivan the Terrible; #8 is Kim Jong Un; #9 is Genghis Khan; and #10 is Donald Trump.
- 50 Pts INTERPOL

DESSERTS

- 10 Pts Cobbler
- 20 Pts Gummy worms
- 30 Pts Ricotta
- 40 Pts *A la mode*
- 50 Pts Beignet

SODA

- 10 Pts Sprite
- 20 Pts Carbonation (or bubbles)
- 30 Pts 7-Up
- 40 Pts Cream Soda
- 50 Pts Cocaine

LITERARY FIRST LINES

- 10 Pts *The Wonderful Wizard of Oz*
- 20 Pts *Peter Pan*
- 30 Pts *Little Women*
- 40 Pts *Animal Farm*
- 50 Pts *Jaws*