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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

1950s

10 Pts In 1959, a political overthrow in this country produced the first communist government in the Western Hemisphere.

20 Pts In 1952, Prime Minister David Ben-Gurion offered this German scientist the presidency of Israel, but he turned it down.

30 Pts In April 1953, this rookie outfielder, then with the Milwaukee Braves, hit the first of his lifetime 755 Major League Baseball home runs.

40 Pts Jonas Salk's polio vaccine came into use in 1955. The much safer oral vaccine, developed by this medical researcher, was in wide use about five years later.

50 Pts In the late 1950s, he became the first American-born conductor for the New York Philharmonic Orchestra.

1960s

10 Pts In this 1965 hit song, Petula Clark advised: "When you're alone and life is making you lonely, you can always go …" here.

20 Pts In 1966, the Columbo company sweetened this somewhat-sour food product, added fruit on the bottom, and watched sales in the US begin to soar.

30 Pts The inspiration for this 1969 film was a photograph Peter Fonda saw of himself and Bruce Dern riding a motorcycle.

40 Pts In 1962, this Naval Academy graduate became the first man in space – even though it was only a 15-minute suborbital flight.

50 Pts Much of *The Autobiography of* … this 1960's leader was written by *Roots* Alex Haley.

1970s

10 Pts In 1971, this country's dictator, nicknamed "Papa Doc" Duvalier, died and was succeeded by his son, "Baby Doc."

20 Pts Of the three US Presidents who served during the 1970s, this one was in office the longest.

30 Pts Soon after the 60-story John Hancock Tower opened in this city, its 500-pound windows started falling out and crashing to the ground below.

40 Pts In the year 1978, this change occurred in the naming of hurricanes.

50 Pts The music world was rocked to its core in 1970, when first, Jimi Hendrix died at age 27 from drug-related causes; and two weeks later, this female rock and blues legend died of a heroin overdose, also at age 27.

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1980s

10 Pts The tagline for this 1982 comedy, which was nominated for ten Academy Awards, was: "Desperate, he took a female role and became a star. If only he could tell the woman he loves."

20 Pts In the 1980s, Vladimir Putin was working for this Soviet spy agency.

30 Pts This situation comedy, starring Michael J. Fox as Alex P. Keaton, spanned the 1980s, running on NBC from 1982 to 1989.

40 Pts This author's last children's book, *Oh, the Places You'll Go!*, was written in the late 1980s and published just one year before he died. His first book, *And to Think That I Saw It on Mulberry Street*, was published 53 years earlier.

50 Pts Imprisoned by the Soviet-dominated Czechoslovakian government for his political activities in the 1980s, this playwright was elected president of the newly-democratic Czech Republic in 1993.

deCADES *(All of the answers will end with the letters CADE.)*

10 Pts A covered walk with stores along one or both sides; or a large indoor room containing coin-operated video games.

20 Pts A procession of motor vehicles, typically carrying a prominent person.

30 Pts A fortification, often constructed in haste, made to obstruct the progress or attack of an enemy.

40 Pts A rich, heavy fabric woven with a raised pattern, typically with gold or silver thread.

50 Pts A small waterfall, typically one of several that fall in succession down a steep rocky slope.

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20 Pts Albert Einstein. Einstein felt he was not qualified to be president of Israel, citing old age, inexperience, and insufficient people skills as some of the reasons why he wouldn't be a good choice.
30 Pts Hank Aaron
40 Pts Albert Sabin
50 Pts Leonard Bernstein. Given Bernstein's wide range of musical abilities, one critic called him "one of the most prodigiously talented and successful musicians in American history."

1960s

10 Pts "Downtown"
20 Pts Yogurt.
30 Pts *Easy Rider*
40 Pts Alan Shepard
50 Pts Malcolm X

1970s

10 Pts Haiti
20 Pts Richard Nixon (1970-1974)
30 Pts Boston. After many months, the solution was to replace all 10,344 windows panes.
40 Pts The US started using men's name for hurricanes. Hurricane Bob was first and David was next.
50 Pts Janis Joplin

1980s

10 Pts *Tootsie*
20 Pts The KGB
30 Pts *Family Ties*
40 Pts Dr. Seuss
50 Pts Vaclav Havel

deCADES

10 Pts Arcade
20 Pts Motorcade
30 Pts Barricade
40 Pts Brocade
50 Pts Cascade

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