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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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NAME THE CITY WHERE …

10 Pts … you would find the Orange Bowl, Fontainebleau Hotel, and Little Havana.
20 Pts … you would find Vanderbilt University, the Grand Ol' Opry, and the Hermitage.
30 Pts … you would find the Temple Mount, Al Aqsa Mosque, and the Wailing Wall.
40 Pts … you would find the Tate Gallery, Hyde Park, and Wembley Stadium.
50 Pts … you would find the CN Tower, Rogers Centre, and the Hockey Hall of Fame.

PRESIDENTIAL CABINET

10 Pts Lin-Manuel Miranda knows that he was the first US Secretary of the Treasury.
20 Pts This US senator succeeded Hillary Clinton as Secretary of State.
30 Pts In the wake of the 9/11 attacks, this new Secretary position was created by President George W. Bush.
40 Pts The first female Secretary of State was appointed by President Bill Clinton in 1997. Can you name her?
50 Pts Name two US Attorneys General who have served after 1999 (not including temporary "acting" AGs).

JUST A LETTER

10 Pts This letter is the symbol used for the British pound and the Italian lira.
20 Pts This was the scarlet letter worn by Hester Prynne in *The Scarlet Letter.*
30 Pts This letter stands for 100 in Roman numerals.
40 Pts In computer science, B stands for this unit of information storage. (It's just a nibble!)
50 Pts According to Albert Einstein, this letter equals MC^2.

THE 15TH CENTURY

10 Pts In the last decade of the 15th century, he made four voyages to the "New World," exploring much of the Caribbean.
20 Pts One of the first things this German publisher and inventor printed on his movable type printing press was the Holy Bible.
30 Pts Construction of the Forbidden City, home to emperors for centuries, was completed in the 1420s in this Asian city.
40 Pts He painted *The Last Supper* between 1495 and 1498. (His *Mona Lisa*, however, wasn't painted until the early 16th century, probably around 1505.)
50 Pts This Incan city was built around 1450 high in the Andes Mountains of Peru. It remains a mystery why it was abandoned 100 years later.

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JUST JOE

10 Pts This is what you get when you order some Joe at a diner.

20 Pts As Al Gore's running mate in 2000, he became the first Jewish candidate on a major American political party presidential ticket.

30 Pts William Proxmire, who succeeded this senator after his death in 1957, said of his predecessor, "He was a disgrace to Wisconsin, to the Senate and to America."

40 Pts One month after he was elected to the US Senate from Delaware, his wife and one-year-old daughter were killed in an automobile accident.

50 Pts In 1914, he married the eldest daughter of the Mayor of Boston, joining two of the city's most prominent Irish-American political families.

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ANSWERS

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10 Pts Miami
20 Pts Nashville
30 Pts Jerusalem
40 Pts London
50 Pts Toronto

PRESIDENTIAL CABINET

10 Pts Alexander Hamilton
20 Pts John Kerry
30 Pts Secretary of Homeland Security
40 Pts Madeleine Albright
50 Pts Janet Reno (1993-2001); John Ashcroft (2001-2005); Alberto Gonzales (2005-2007); Michael Mukasey (2007-2009); Eric Holder (2009-2015); Loretta Lynch (2015-2017); Jeff Sessions (2017-2018); William Barr (2019-2020); Merrick Garland (2021-2025); Pamela Bondi (2025-2026); Todd Blanche (current)

JUST A LETTER

10 Pts L. The L is from the Latin phrase *libra pondo,* a basic unit of weight in ancient Rome.
20 Pts A. The letter Hester wore was meant to shame her as an *adulterer*; but as time passed. she drew strength from the "A," and the meaning of it changed to *able*.
30 Pts C
40 Pts Byte
50 Pts E. Einstein's equation is Energy (E) = Mass (m) x the speed of light (c) squared.

THE 15TH CENTURY

10 Pts Christopher Columbus
20 Pts Johannes Gutenberg
30 Pts Beijing, China
40 Pts Leonardo DaVinci
50 Pts Machu Picchu

JUST JOE

10 Pts Coffee
20 Pts Joe Lieberman
30 Pts Joseph McCarthy
40 Pts Joe Biden
50 Pts Joseph P. Kennedy, Sr.

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