

8/23/26 Weekly Word Game

A Touch of Whimsy

Estimated play time: Approximately 15 minutes
Number of players: Unlimited
Supplies needed: Scoring board/pad; noisemakers
Suitable for visually impaired players.

Overview:

All the answers in this word definition game begin with the consecutive letters WH.

Instructions:

1. This game can be played by individuals or in teams.
2. Read the first definition. Discussion is permitted among teammates. Prior to the start of the game, a method to signal when a team is ready to answer must be determined. Ringing bells and New Year's blowers are just two inexpensive noisemakers. Raised hands work, but the host must be vigilant to watch for whose hand went up first. The host always has the final say in any disputes.
3. After a player/team is recognized as the first to signal, they may give an answer. If the first answer is incorrect, the other teams may "buzz" in and answer.
4. Scoring: Give 10 points for each correct answer.

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1. Bowhead or Blue.
2. A really, really big lie.
3. Informal word for a helicopter.
4. Where a ship is moored, or cargo is unloaded.
5. A relaxing and often therapeutic heated pool in which hot, aerated water is continuously circulated.
6. A person who risks reprisals when he or she reveals wrongdoing in the organization in which they work.
7. To stimulate the appetite or to sharpen a knife.
8. The act of carving wood or other soft materials.
9. The large-scale sale of goods to retailers.
10. This is what you call something when you can't think of its name.
11. The mid-19th century political party of Zachary Taylor, Daniel Webster, and Henry Clay, later taken over by the Republicans.
12. As a verb, it means to give birth to puppies; as a noun, it's the puppy itself.
13. This is the third-most produced cereal crop in the world.
14. In cheese making, this is the liquid that remains after milk has been curdled and strained.
15. The foamy crest of a wave.
16. To deliberately conceal or minimize someone's mistakes or faults to keep them out of trouble.

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ANSWERS

1. Whale
2. Whopper
3. Whirlybird
4. Wharf
5. Whirlpool
6. Whistleblower
7. Whet
8. Whittling
9. Wholesale
10. Whatchamacallit
11. Whig
12. Whelp
13. Wheat. (Maize is first-most produced cereal grain in the world and rice is second.)
14. Whey
15. Whitecap
16. Whitewash