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Last Week's News

Estimated play time: Approximately 15 minutes

Number of players: Unlimited

Supplies needed: Scoring board/pad; noisemakers

Suitable for visually impaired players

Overview:

This quiz explores some of the news and current events that occurred last week.

Instructions:

1. This game can be played by individuals or in teams.
2. Read the first question. 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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QUESTIONS

1. What country's Prime Minister resigned last week?
2. And speaking of the resignation of Liz Truss: what unrefrigerated vegetable did a British tabloid newspaper put in a live Internet feed to gauge whether it would last longer than Prime Minister Truss in office?
3. Ye, better known as Kanye West, is in the news again. This week, he has agreed, in principle, to buy Parler. What is Parler?
4. What is the name of the weapons, which explode on impact but are easier to shoot down, that Russia used to attack Kyiv and other locations in Ukraine last week?
5. President Biden said last week that if Democrats add to their control of Congress in the midterm elections, his first bill would do what?
6. During Donald Trump's four-year tenure as president, his Trump Organization charged which government department more than \$1.4 million for stays in Trump hotels?
7. What sentence did Trump ally Steve Bannon receive for contempt of Congress, after he defied a subpoena from the January 6th investigation committee?
8. To what organization did MacKenzie Scott, ex-wife of Amazon founder Jeff Bezos, give \$84.5 million last week, the largest individual donation in its history?
9. When elite Iranian rock climber Elnaz Rekabi returned to her home country after a competition in South Korea, she apologized for not doing what?
10. This film and TV star was found Not Liable in a civil battery lawsuit that had accused him of assaulting Anthony Rapp thirty years ago when he (Rapp) was a 14-year-old actor.

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ANSWERS

1. The United Kingdom. After a disastrous 45-day tenure, Liz Truss resigned as the UK's prime minister, making her the UK's shortest-serving leader ever.
2. A head of lettuce ... which did indeed last longer than Ms. Truss
3. Parler is a social media platform, geared to the political far right. After being banned from Twitter, Instagram, and Facebook for antisemitic posts, Kanye West decided to purchase his own social network.
4. Kamikaze drones that were manufactured in Iran. Western analysts say that Moscow's reliance on the Iranian weapons suggests that Russian stocks of precision missiles are running low.
5. It would codify into law abortion rights nationwide.
6. The Secret Service. Those charges average out to \$6,730 per week for four years!
7. Bannon got a four-month sentence in prison and was fined \$6,500.
8. The Girl Scouts
9. She apologized for not wearing her hijab (headscarf) during the competition.
10. Kevin Spacey