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# Weekly Trivia Quiz

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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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## HALLOWEEN GOULASH

- 10 Pts This three-colored candy has its own national day on October 30.
- 20 Pts The *Peanuts* gang celebrated Halloween while Linus waited for this imaginary figure.
- 30 Pts In 1950, kids started using this phrase on Halloween to collect money for humanitarian aid to children around the world.
- 40 Pts On the day before Halloween in 1938, he scared most of America with a radio broadcast about an alien invasion. On Halloween Day, he apologized to the nation.
- 50 Pts In the 15<sup>th</sup> century, witches became one of the symbols of Halloween, along with this animal companion.

## GHOST POTPOURRI

- 10 Pts Jacob Marley was the first ghost to visit this Dickens character.
- 20 Pts Cary Grant and Constance Bennett are ghosts who haunt a banker, the title character in this 1937 classic film.
- 30 Pts This idiom means “a slight possibility.”
- 40 Pts This Secretary of Defense under President Reagan shared his first name with a friendly ghost (although he spelled it slightly differently).
- 50 Pts This 1984 film title is the answer to the musical question, “Who you gonna call?”

## THREE’S A CHARM

- 10 Pts According to a German fairy tale, if the miller’s daughter can guess this imp’s name within three days, she won’t have to give her newborn child to him.
- 20 Pts According to an old cliché, these are the three most important things in real estate.
- 30 Pts This is the noise the trolley makes, according to a 1944 hit song by Judy Garland.
- 40 Pts What’s the missing word, repeated three times in this lyric “To every thing \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, there is a season \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, and a time for every purpose under heaven.
- 50 Pts According to this 1988 Tim Burton film, the name of this ghost-like title character (played by Michael Keaton) must be said out loud three times before he can appear.

## WHAT TV SHOW FEATURED ... ?

- 10 Pts Chester, Miss Kitty, Matt
- 20 Pts Theodore, June, Ward
- 30 Pts Mr. Bates, Lady Mary, Mr. Carson
- 40 Pts Carrie, Miranda, Mr. Big
- 50 Pts George Wilson, Martha Willson, Dennis

## MILLER TIME

- 10 Pts Hal Linden played this TV cop from 1975 to 1982.
- 20 Pts This prolific author of mystery fiction was born Agatha Mary Clarissa Miller in Devon, England in 1890.
- 30 Pts *The Crucible*, his play about the Salem witch trials, is his most frequently produced work throughout the world; and his drama *Death of a Salesman* is widely considered to be one of the best American plays of the 20<sup>th</sup> century.
- 40 Pts This Miller's biggest hit songs, including "King of the Road," "Dang Me," and "England Swings," were all released in the "Nashville Sound" era of the mid-1960s.
- 50 Pts The works of this 20<sup>th</sup>-century author of *Tropic of Cancer* and *Tropic of Capricorn* have been banned several times because of their sexual content.

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## ANSWERS

### HALLOWEEN GOULASH

- 10 Pts Candy corn
- 20 Pts The Great Pumpkin
- 30 Pts "Trick or Treat for UNICEF"
- 40 Pts Orson Wells, who terrified millions of Americans with the broadcast of his adaptation of H.G. Wells' novel *War of the Worlds*.
- 50 Pts A black cat

### GHOSTS

- 10 Pts Ebenezer Scrooge
- 20 Pts *Topper*
- 30 Pts Ghost of a chance
- 40 Pts Caspar Weinberger
- 50 Pts *Ghostbusters*

### THREE'S A CHARM

- 10 Pts Rumpelstiltskin
- 20 Pts Location, location, location
- 30 Pts Clang, clang, clang
- 40 Pts Turn, turn, turn
- 50 Pts Beetlejuice

### WHAT TV SHOW FEATURED ... ?

- 10 Pts *Gunsmoke*
- 20 Pts *Leave it to Beaver*
- 30 Pts *Downton Abbey*
- 40 Pts *Sex and the City*
- 50 Pts *Dennis the Menace*

### MILLER TIME

- 10 Pts Barney Miller
- 20 Pts Agatha Christie
- 30 Pts Arthur Miller
- 40 Pts Roger Miller
- 50 Pts Henry Miller