

3/13/22 Weekly Word Game

IREland's Day

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 contain with the consecutive letters IRE.

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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QUESTIONS

1. To cease working at a certain age.
2. A conflagration.
3. The sound associated with an emergency vehicle.
4. Baseball referee.
5. A form of humor used to expose and criticize people's stupidity or vices, a la Stephen Colbert, Jon Stewart, or the late P. J. O'Rourke.
6. A streetcar line in New Orleans.
7. "Undead" creatures who feed on the blood of the living.
8. Title appended to an attorney's name.
9. To hold in high regard; respect; revere.
10. Technology that enables an investigator to listen in on phone lines.
11. To die; or, what your subscription will do if you don't renew it.
12. A precious gemstone that is typically a brilliant blue color.
13. To swelter; sweat.
14. To make plans with others to commit a crime.
15. To breathe.

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ANSWERS

1. Retire
2. Fire
3. Siren
4. Umpire
5. Satire
6. Desire
7. Vampires
8. Esquire
9. Admire
10. Wiretap
11. Expire
12. Sapphire
13. Perspire
14. Conspire
15. Respire