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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. Twenty-four-year-old Damar Hamilton, who plays safety for this NFL football team, suffered a cardiac arrest last week after making a tackle in a game against the Cincinnati Bengals.
2. Joseph Aloisius Ratzinger died last week at the age of 95. By what name was Ratzinger better known?
3. Which airline announced it will give 25,000 frequent flier miles to passengers who were impacted by its holiday travel troubles?
4. How many ballots did it take a fractured Republican caucus in the House of Representatives to elect a Speaker? And whom did they (finally) elect?
5. Former president Donald Trump received one vote for Speaker of the House last week. Who voted for him?
6. Police in Pennsylvania arrested a suspect last week in the killings of four college students in this state.
7. On New Year's Eve, a 19-year-old from Maine was charged with attempted murder and assault for attacking three police officers in Times Square with this kind of weapon.
8. Who is the first person ever to lose \$200 billion in wealth?
9. What kind of accident did movie star Jeremy Renner have last week that put him in a hospital in critical but stable condition?
10. George Santos, the Representative-elect from New York who falsified most of his biography during his campaign, is also facing criminal proceedings from this foreign country. The matter, which stemmed from an incident in 2008 regarding a stolen checkbook, had been suspended for nearly a decade because the police in that country were unable to locate Santos.

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ANSWERS

1. The Buffalo Bills
2. Ratzinger chose the name Benedict XVI when he was elected Pope in 2005.
3. Southwest Airlines
4. It took 15 ballots, over 4 days, to elect California Congressman Kevin McCarthy.
5. Representative Matt Gaetz of Florida
6. Idaho. The authorities charged Bryan Kohberger, a 28-year-old graduate student in criminology, in the killings. Kohberger's DNA was found at the Idaho crime scene.
7. A machete. Authorities are investigating the attack as an act of Islamic extremism.
8. Elon Musk. Musk's personal wealth was \$340 billion at the end of 2021, and is currently estimated at \$137 billion.
9. Renner had been driving his snowplow near his home in Reno, Nevada. He had gotten out of the vehicle to help another snowbound person when his plow went into motion and rolled over him.
10. Brazil