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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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- 1. Who made history last week at the Grammy Awards becoming the most-winning Grammy artist of all time with 32 awards?
- 2. The Chinese surveillance balloon that captured America's attention for the last couple of weeks was shot down about seven miles off the coast of this state.
- 3. Can you name the basketball great, a forward for the Los Angeles Lakers, who became the NBA's all-time leading scorer during the second half of a game against the Oklahoma City Thunder last week. And for extra kudos, who's record (a former Los Angeles Laker) did he break?
- 4. A devastating 7.8 magnitude earthquake hit these two countries just after 4AM last Monday.
- 5. Who delivered the Republican response to President Biden's State of the Union speech last week?
- 6. Grammy, Oscar, and Tony award-winning composer Burt Bacharach died last week at age 94. He wrote 39 chart-topping songs, including "Don't Make Me Over," "Walk On By," and "Do You Know the Way to San Jose?") for what singer?
- 7. Which member of Biden's Cabinet is expected to leave his post to head up the National Hocky League Players' Association?
- 8. George Santos, the Republican Congressman from Long Island who lied about almost every aspect of his personal, social, and educational background, had a vocal altercation with this US Senator, who told Santos that he "didn't belong here."
- 9. Pervez Musharraf, the former president of this country (who seized power in a military coup in 1999), died last week at age 79.
- 10. Who was subpoenaed last week by the Special Counsel appointed by Attorney General Merrick Garland to investigate Donald Trump's efforts to overturn the 2020 election.
- 11. A couple was arrested last week for plotting to destroy this city's electric grid.



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ANSWERS

- 1. Beyoncé
- 2. South Carolina
- 3. LeBron James. James broke the record held since 1984 by Kareem Abdul-Jabbar.
- 4. Turkey and Syria. At this writing, more than 20,000 people have died in the quake, a figure that is expected to rise as more bodies are discovered in the rubble.
- 5. Sarah Huckabee Sanders, the newly elected governor of Arkansas
- 6. Dionne Warwick
- 7. Marty Walsh, Secretary of Labor
- 8. Mitt Romney
- 9. Pakistan
- 10. Vice President Mike Pence
- 11. Baltimore. The charges came as experts have warned that the energy grid and electrical substations in particular have become popular targets for far-right extremists.