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Weekly Trivia Quiz

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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“A” IN SCIENCE

- 10 Pts From the Greek word for “dissection,” this branch of science is concerned with the structure of the human body and all its parts.
- 20 Pts This condition occurs when your blood has a lower than normal amount of red blood cells or hemoglobin.
- 30 Pts This term for a person or animal that lacks pigmentation comes from the Latin word for “white.”
- 40 Pts Commonly called the Northern Lights, this natural phenomenon of streams of reddish or greenish lights in the sky is caused by the interaction of charged particles from the sun with atoms in the upper atmosphere.
- 50 Pts This hormone is secreted by the adrenal glands, especially in conditions of stress. It increases your heart rate and breathing and prepares your muscles for exertion.

ENGLISH “T”

- 10 Pts She broke the glass ceiling on May 4, 1979 when she was sworn in as the first female prime minister of the United Kingdom.
- 20 Pts This English “T” is 215 miles long. It begins in the Cotswold Hills and flows southeast to the North Sea, passing along the way some of the well known sights of London, including the Houses of Parliament and Big Ben.
- 30 Pts Most Londoners refer to the London Underground by this nickname.
- 40 Pts Over the centuries, this famed English castle has also served as a royal residence, a prison, a choice execution location for some of Henry VIII’s wives, an armory, the Royal Mint, and it now houses the Crown Jewels of England.
- 50 Pts This global marketer of tea holds the world’s oldest continuously used company logo. It is also London’s longest existing taxpayer, having occupied the same tea shop on the Strand in central London since 1706.

BASIC CHEMISTRY

- 10 Pts This semiconducting element, a crucial ingredient in computer technology, is one of the most abundant substances on earth, making up nearly 30% of the earth’s surface.
- 20 Pts Most everyone has sodium chloride in the kitchen ... but what do we call it?
- 30 Pts Both coal and diamonds consist of this basic chemical element.
- 40 Pts Take your pick to answer: What type of alcohol is used as a household antiseptic also called rubbing alcohol? Or: What type of alcohol is used in alcoholic beverages?
- 50 Pts All substances on earth, from copper to water to oxygen, can be classified into one of these three states.

POETRY

- 10 Pts Henry Wadsworth Longfellow: "There was a little girl, who had a little curl ..." Where?
- 20 Pts John Milton: "They also serve, who only stand and ..." What?
- 30 Pts Samuel Taylor Coleridge: "Water, water everywhere, nor any ..." What?
- 40 Pts John Greenleaf Whittier: "For all sad words of tongue or pen, the saddest are ..." What?
- 50 Pts Robert Frost: "Two roads diverged in a wood, and I – I took the one less traveled by, and that had made ..." What?

_____ & _____ BRANDS

- 10 Pts Ice cream
- 20 Pts Tax preparers
- 30 Pts By most accounts, the third-most popular candy in the US
- 40 Pts Dandruff shampoo
- 50 Pts American bookselling chain.

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ANSWERS

“A” IN SCIENCE

- 10 Pts Anatomy
- 20 Pts Anemia
- 30 Pts Albino
- 40 Pts *Aurora Borealis*. (The Southern Lights are officially called *Aurora Australis*.)
- 50 Pts Adrenaline

ENGLISH “T”

- 10 Pts Margaret Thatcher
- 20 Pts The Thames River
- 30 Pts The Tube
- 40 Pts The Tower of London
- 50 Pts Twinings (pronounced TWY•nings)

BASIC CHEMISTRY

- 10 Pts Silicon
- 20 Pts Salt
- 30 Pts Carbon
- 40 Pts Rubbing alcohol contains Isopropyl alcohol (or propan). Alcoholic beverages use ethyl alcohol (or ethanol).
- 50 Pts Solid, liquid, or gas

POETRY

- 10 Pts “... right in the middle of her forehead.”
- 20 Pts “... wait.”
- 30 Pts “... drop to drink.”
- 40 Pts “... It might have been.”
- 50 Pts “... all the difference.”

_____ & _____ BRANDS

- 10 Pts Ben & Jerry’s
- 20 Pts H&R Block
- 30 Pts M&M’s
- 40 Pts Head & Shoulders
- 50 Pts Barnes & Noble