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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. During a rally in this state, Donald Trump was shot in the ear by a sniper. One rally attendee was killed and two were badly injured in the incident.
- 2. The Republican National Convention was held in what city last week?
- 3. Whom did Trump choose as his running mate? And, for extra kudos, what job does that person hold currently, what state is he from, and how old is he?
- 4. Can you name the judge who dismissed the classified documents case against Donald Trump, saying the appointment of Jack Smith violated the Constitution?
- 5. What billionaire has pledged to contribute \$45 million to the Trump campaign each month until the November elections?
- 6. As the *New York Times* put it, this "soft-spoken Everyman who stammered his way to comedy stardom in the 1960's has died at 94."
- 7. What sentence did a Russian court mete out to American journalist Evan Gershkovich, who was falsely imprisoned by Russia on espionage charges?
- 8. Senator Robert Menendez, a Democrat who represents this state, was found guilty of corruption in a scheme to trade political favors for bribes.
- 9. This fitness guru of the 1970's through the early 2000's, who built a small empire with his *Sweatin'* to the *Oldies* videos and his trademark tank tops and short shorts, died last week at the age of 76.
- 10. What was President Biden's health news last week?
- 11. The price of a first-class postage stamp went up by five cents last week. Do you know how much one first class stamp now costs?



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ANSWERS

- 1. Pennsylvania. The shooter was killed at the scene by the Secret Service.
- 2. Milwaukee
- 3. J.D. Vance is currently a US Senator. He is from Ohio. He is 39 years old. Before being elected 18 months ago, Vance had held no public office.
- 4. Judge Aileen Cannon. Cannon's decision will be appealed.
- 5. Elon Musk, CEO of Tesla and SpaceX
- 6. Bob Newhart
- 7. **16** years
- 8. New Jersey
- 9. Richard Simmons
- 10. He contracted a mild case of COVID.
- 11. 73 cents