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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. Last week, this quiz show host was memorialized by the US Postal Service with a forever stamp in his honor.
2. Kimberly Cheatle, the head of this government agency, resigned last week because of security failures that led to a shooting at a Trump rally in Pennsylvania.
3. After being found guilty of corruption, this US senator announced that he will resign his senate seat in August.
4. Opening ceremonies for the XXXIII (33rd) Olympiad took place in Paris last week. Do you know what American city will be hosting the next summer Olympics in 2028?
5. Three days after ending his race for president, President Joe Biden spoke to the American people about his goals and his legacy. Where was he when he made that address?
6. Kamala Harris is now the likely Democratic 2024 candidate for the presidency. Can you name her husband, the Second Gentleman, and perhaps the future First Gentleman?
7. What world leader spoke to Congress last week and met with Joe Biden and Kamala Harris the next day? And for extra credit: whom did he meet with on his third day in the US?
8. Why were thousands of planes grounded and airports in chaos last week?
9. Fill in the blank: When vice presidential candidate JD Vance was running for the senate, he complained that America was being run by "childless _____ ladies who are miserable at the own lives and the choices that they've made and so they want to make the rest of the country miserable, too."
10. Sharks off the coast of Rio de Janeiro tested positive for what drug?

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ANSWERS

1. Alex Trebek, who hosted *Jeopardy!* for 37 years.
2. The Secret Service
3. Robert Menendez
4. Los Angeles
5. In the Oval Office
6. Doug Emhoff
7. Prime Minister of Israel, Benjamin Netanyahu, who visited with Donald Trump in Florida on the third day. Many Democrats did not attend Netanyahu's address in protest of his prosecution of the war in Gaza.
8. A software glitch in the computer system of CrowdStrike, a global cybersecurity company, affected not only airlines, but also banking and the healthcare industry as well.
9. Cat. Vance also believes that people with children should have more of a say in the future of America and that they should pay fewer taxes than people without children.
10. Cocaine. Although further research is needed, current studies suggest that this is due to the increase in human drug use in the area.