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Weekly Trivia Quiz 2

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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ANIMALS WITH A "V" (All of the answers include the letter V)

- 10 Pts This dam builder is the second largest rodent on earth.
- 20 Pts Most species of this scavenger bird have naked heads and necks to avoid feather damage when chomping into carcasses.
- 30 Pts On the PBS kids' show *Arthur*, the title character is this kind of animal, an African native that spends most of its time digging for insects.
- 40 Pts This carnivorous dog-sized marsupial was once found all over Australia, but can now only be found on the small Australian island of Tasmania.
- 50 Pts This stocky, powerful animal, which resembles a small bear, is also the nickname for the state of Michigan; the name of the University of Michigan's sports teams; and a Marvel Comics character (played by Hugh Jackman in the movies).

FOOD WITH A "W" (All of the answers start with the letter W)

- 10 Pts The largest specimen of this fruit was grown in Hope, Arkansas, and weighed in at almost 269 pounds.
- 20 Pts When this salad was first created, it only had apples, celery, and mayonnaise. The walnuts and grapes came later.
- 30 Pts You'll find toast with a cheese and beer sauce in this W dish ... but no bunnies.
- 40 Pts A famous roast beef dish that is made with pate and mushrooms, wrapped in pastry dough, and cooked in the oven, was named after this British hero of the Battle of Waterloo.
- 50 Pts This pungent, green, horseradish-like condiment puts the zing in sushi.

"X" ON THE MAP (All of the answers include the letter X)

- 10 Pts This is the second US state in size, the second in population, and the second, alphabetically speaking, of the two states that contain the letter X.
- 20 Pts In 1775, Paul Revere reached this Massachusetts town before he was captured by British soldiers.
- 30 Pts This capital of Nova Scotia is the only large city in Canada that contains the letter X.
- 40 Pts Neil Simon's play about army basic training was set in this southern US city.
- 50 Pts This tiny country, the only one in Europe with an X in its name, is completely surrounded by Germany, Belgium, and France.

STARTS WITH A “Y” POTPOURRI

- 10 Pts Most linguists believe the origin of this word came from Dutch and referred to the people of New England.
- 20 Pts You can't win the America's Cup if you don't have one of these.
- 30 Pts Tempera, paint made from pigment and this part of an egg, was the primary paint used in Italy until oil paint came along.
- 40 Pts Lots of the “hippies” of the 1960s became members of this high-income socio-economic group of the 1980s.
- 50 Pts She won gold in Ladies' Figure Skating at the 1992 Olympics, and in the 1992 and 1991 World Championships. In 2008, she became the celebrity champion of the sixth season of *Dancing With The Stars*.

ENDS WITH A “Z” POTPOURRI

- 10 Pts The logo of this German car brand is a three-pointed star.
- 20 Pts Al Capone, “Machine Gun” Kelly, and Robert Stroud (“The Birdman”) all lived here before it closed down for good in 1963.
- 30 Pts Degania, in northern Israel, was the first of this kind of collective community that is based on equality and focused on communal needs.
- 40 Pts Amethyst, onyx, citrine, and jasper are a few of the varieties of this abundant mineral.
- 50 Pts This colorfully printed cotton fabric is often used for drapery and upholstery.

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ANSWERS

ANIMALS WITH A "V"

- 10 Pts The beaver. (The South American Capybara is the largest rodent.)
- 20 Pts Vultures
- 30 Pts Aardvark
- 40 Pts The Tasmanian Devil, which got its name because of its unearthly screams, eerie growls, foul odor, bad temper, and aggressive behavior.
- 50 Pts Wolverine

FOOD WITH A "W"

- 10 Pts Watermelon
- 20 Pts Waldorf Salad
- 30 Pts Welsh Rarebit (*not* rabbit)
- 40 Pts Wellington (Beef Wellington)
- 50 Pts Wasabi

"X" ON THE MAP

- 10 Pts Texas
- 20 Pts Lexington
- 30 Pts Halifax
- 40 Pts Biloxi, MS (*Biloxi Blues*)
- 50 Pts Luxembourg

STARTS WITH A "Y" POTPOURRI

- 10 Pts Yankee
- 20 Pts Yacht
- 30 Pts Yolk
- 40 Pts Yuppies (which stands for Young Urban Professionals)
- 50 Pts Yamaguchi (Kristi)

ENDS WITH A "Z" POTPOURRI

- 10 Pts Mercedes-Benz
- 20 Pts Alcatraz
- 30 Pts Kibbutz
- 40 Pts Quartz
- 50 Pts Chintz