

2/4/24 Weekly Word Game

# Happy Lunar New Year!

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Estimated play time: Approximately 15 minutes  
Number of players: Unlimited  
Supplies needed: Scoring board/pad; noisemakers  
Suitable for visually impaired players.

## Overview:

Over a billion people in China and millions around the world will celebrate the Lunar New Year this week. Because the start of the holiday coincides with the date of the new moon, all the answers in this word definition game contain the consecutive letters MOO.

## Instructions:

1. This game can be played by individuals or in teams.
2. Read the first definition. 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. The vacation after the wedding.
2. Bullwinkle's species.
3. To have a second job in addition to one's regular employment.
4. Temperamental; sullen; prone to emotional swings.
5. Surname shared by two popular British actors. One played the happily drunken millionaire Arthur, and the other played James Bond in the 1970s and '80s.
6. Bread; cabbage; dough ... in other words: money.
7. Slang term for kiss.
8. Tract of grassy, uncultivated land (usually British); heath.
9. Yiddish term meaning to talk with someone in a lively and friendly way, especially in order to impress or manipulate them.
10. To depart hurriedly; scoot; scam; skedaddle.
11. Neil Armstrong's achievement ... or, Michael Jackson's famous dance.
12. A thick drink of fresh fruit pureed with milk, yogurt, or ice cream.
13. To ask for (or get) something without paying for it.
14. High proof liquor, generally whiskey, which is made and distributed illegally.
15. She was nominated for six Emmy Awards for her work as Endora on *Bewitched* (1965-1972).

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## ANSWERS

1. Honeymoon
2. Moose
3. Moonlight
4. Moody
5. Moore (Dudley and Roger)
6. Moolah
7. Smooch
8. Moor
9. Schmooze
10. Vamoose
11. Moonwalk
12. Smoothie
13. Mooch
14. Moonshine
15. (Agnes) Moorehead