

5/26/24 Weekly Word Game

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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:

It's Memorial Day weekend! Established after the Civil War, Memorial Day honors the men and women who died while serving in the US military. In addition to that, Memorial Day is also recognized as the unofficial start of summer. Since the word MEMORIAL and SUMMER both have two M's, all the answers in this word definition game will have at least two (and sometimes more!) M's.

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. An imaging test to screen for breast cancer.
2. Although this ceremony occurs at the end of one's schooling, the word actually means "the beginning."
3. A TV or radio advertisement.
4. This class of animals is distinguished by having hair or fur, birthing live young, and producing milk to feed the young. (Humans are among them.)
5. A place to stretch out, usually made of canvas or rope mesh, that is suspended by cords at the top and bottom, often hung outdoors between two trees.
6. The greatest or highest amount possible.
7. A person who writes computer software code.
8. A dead body that has been ceremonially preserved, especially in ancient Egypt.
9. Karl Marx's political theory, in which all property in a society is publicly owned and each person works and is paid according to their needs and abilities.
10. A divine rule such as "Thou shalt not kill."
11. A statue, building, or other structure erected to commemorate a famous or notable person or event, such as Mt. Rushmore, the Lincoln Memorial, or the Taj Mahal.
12. Metric measurement that is smaller than 1/16th of an inch.
13. To make a person resistant to a particular infectious disease or pathogen via vaccination.

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ANSWERS

1. Mammogram
2. Commencement
3. Commercial
4. Mammals
5. Hammock
6. Maximum
7. Programmer
8. Mummy
9. Communism
10. Commandment
11. Monument
12. Millimeter
13. Immunize