



Weekly Trivia Quiz

Estimated play time: 20 minutes

Number of players: Unlimited

Supplies needed: Scoring board/pad; noisemakers; prizes (optional)

THE 2008 Election	Business & INDUSTRY	1950's Television	Health & Medicine	Scores	
				TEAM A	TEAM B
10 (easy)	10	10	10	10	20
20 (medium)	20	20	20	10	10
30 (hard)	30	30	30	20	
50 (very hard)	50	50	50		

Instructions:

1. Write the categories across the top of a blackboard or large pad on an easel. Place the question values under the categories. Keep a section on the board for scorekeeping (see example to left).
2. Divide the players into teams.
3. Throughout the game the players who answered the last correct question will select the next question (category and value). For the first question, the host should choose a random date (example: Aug 3) and the team with the player whose birthday is closest to Aug 3 will choose the first question.
4. When a question is chosen (for example: 1950s Television for 10 points), the host reads the question aloud. 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.
5. If the first team answers incorrectly, the remaining teams can 'buzz' in. When a question is completed, the value is scored and the question is X'd from the list (see example above). Play until all questions have been asked and answered.

Additional ideas:

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 (i.e., 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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QUESTIONS

	Horse Sense	Famous Pairs	Color Before & After	West Coast Potpourri
10 pts	He made what is perhaps the most famous horseback ride in US history—from Boston to Lexington in April 1775.	Susan Sarandon and Geena Davis played the title pair of friends in this 1991 film often described as “feminist.”	This color precedes ____ <i>ball</i> , ____ <i>mail</i> , and ____ <i>smith</i> .	There are no witches in this western state capital—at least we don’t think so.
20 pts	<i>Walk</i> and <i>trot</i> are the slowest gaits (i.e., ways a horse can move); <i>canter</i> and this gait are the fastest.	Of this pair, Bob was 28 when he started working at <i>The Washington Post</i> , and Carl was only 22.	This color precedes ____ <i>pages</i> and ____ <i>jacket</i> .	Aaron Spelling made this zip code famous with a TV series set in the affluent city of Beverly Hills.
30 pts	With its gold coat, white tail and white mane, Roy Rogers’ Trigger was this type of horse.	The Ringling Bros. bought this pair’s circus in 1907, but didn’t merge the names until 1919.	This color precedes ____ <i>fever</i> and ____ <i>letter</i> .	This Seattle-based airplane company started in 1916 with planes made of wood frames and wire and linen wings.
40 pts	This horse-shaped chess piece is the only one that can move both horizontally and vertically in the same play.	These two Rosenberg brothers from Oregon began selling their pears by mail in the 1930s.	This color follows <i>bowling</i> ____ and <i>olive</i> ____.	Although three US presidents claimed California as their home, he is the only one who was born there.
50 pts	To represent Budweiser, this type of horse must be at least 4 years old, 18 hands tall, with four white stocking feet, and a blaze of white on the face.	These brothers-in-law could have called their ice cream parlors Burt & Irv’s, but instead decided to use their last names to peddle their 31 flavors (three more than Howard Johnson’s sold in 1945).	This color follows <i>big</i> ____, <i>royal</i> ____, and <i>jet</i> ____.	Alaska shares a land border with only one Canadian province and one Canadian territory. Can you name them?



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ANSWERS

	Horse Sense	Famous Pairs	Color Before & After	The West Coast
10 pts	Paul Revere	<i>Thelma & Louise</i>	Black	Salem, Oregon
20 pts	Gallop	Woodward and Bernstein	Yellow	90210
30 pts	Palomino	Barnum & Bailey	Scarlet	Boeing
40 pts	Knight	Harry & David	Green	Richard Nixon (Herbert Hoover and Ronald Reagan were born elsewhere and then moved to California as adults.)
50 pts	Clydesdale	Baskin-Robbins	Blue	British Columbia (province) and The Yukon (territory)