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Weekly Word Game: SLippery Slope

Estimated play time: Approximately 15 minutes
Number of players: Unlimited
Supplies needed: Scoring board/pad; noisemakers

Overview: All the answers in this word definition game begin with the letters SL.

Instructions:

1. Divide the players evenly into teams (or as closely as possible).
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 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. Keep score (10 points for each answer) after each definition is answered correctly. Play until all questions have been asked and answered.



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Questions

1. Trousers or pants.
2. Informal language that is more often spoken than written.
3. Exaggerated comedy, often physical, that was practiced by the Three Stooges, Laurel and Hardy, and the Keystone Kops.
4. A run-down area of a city characterized by substandard housing, squalor, and crime.
5. A short memorable phrase often used in advertising, such as “Finger-lickin’ good” and “Have it your way.”
6. David’s weapon against Goliath.
7. To ski in a zigzag pattern between poles (or gates).
8. Slang word for jail.
9. To make a false statement that is damaging to a person’s reputation.
10. Fred Flintstone’s boss ... or, a type of smooth rock that was often used as a blackboard in olden days.
11. A crushed ice drink with sweet syrup flavoring.
12. A hurried and careless way of doing something.
13. A raincoat made of smooth, waterproof material.
14. To move smoothly over a surface with a twisting motion, like a snake.
15. A detective or investigator.
16. Somnambulate.



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Answers

1. Slacks
2. Slang
3. Slapstick
4. Slum
5. Slogan
6. Sling/Slingshot
7. Slalom
8. Slammer
9. Slander
10. Slate
11. Slush
12. Slapdash
13. Slicker
14. Slither
15. Sleuth
16. Sleepwalk