

Directions for the Character Counts! Trivia Game

This Character Counts! Trivia game is played very similar to the Jeopardy with a few alterations. The use of a bowl team buzzer system will make the experience more realistic. If not available some type of noisemakers can serve as buzzers for the participants.

The moderator needs a copy of the questions and answers to work from so print outline notes off the Power Point presentation (in menu under, view, outline then print). Before you begin you want to, divide the group into teams or select individuals to represent teams. Select which team or individual will start first.

Scoring is different than the original game. For the correct answer the individual or team receives the amount that the question is worth. For a wrong answer points are not taken away but the opposing individual or team will then have an opportunity to answer. Correct answers give the team or individual the right to select the next category. The first to buzz in after the question has been read gets to answer the question first. If participants buzz in during the reading of the question, then the moderator stops reading the question at that time. If the participant answers that question wrong, then the opposing team will have the full question read to them with the opportunity to answer that question.

Once all the categories on the board have been selected the game is finished. The individual or team with the greatest amount of points wins.

Please be aware that there are general questions about the Character Counts! program in each category. The number of points assigned each question does not necessarily reflect the difficulty of the question. Some questions may be formulated like the real Jeopardy with an answer then question format, but others are true/false or open response questions. On open questions the moderator decides if the response is adequate for the question asked. These questions are designed to generated thinking and discussion on the participant's part.

1. To begin the game you start the slide show like you would any Microsoft Power Point presentation. The game does have a little sound for the audience's enjoyment.
2. Begin the game and click once to bring in the main title.
3. Click again to reach the game board.
4. Just as in the real Jeopardy, the participant can select any category at any time.
5. The moderator clicks on the box selected which takes you to another board. That board will come up with the category and point value of the question.
6. Click once to reveal the question.
7. Once the question has been answered correctly (use the outline to see the correct answers), click again to reveal the answer.
8. Once you are ready to move back to the board for selection, click on the return button in the bottom right hand corner of the screen.
9. The questions that you have clicked on will now not be lighted. Obviously they are no longer areas the participants can chose.
10. After all the questions have been asked, click on "The End" button and then click on the screen this takes you to. While you are tallying up the final score you can leave this screen on.
11. That is it. Have fun and enjoy!