

Modern Jeopardy Trivia

We have chosen six categories with six questions in each category. The categories are: Hail Mary, TV and Movie Medicine, Presidential Pets, '80s Beauty, Born in the '70s, and Sweet History.

Choose from one of the following activities:

- Print a copy of the Jeopardy questions and answers. Play as a group or in teams. The “host” reads the clue, and the group/team tries to come up with the question/answer. Keep score and award points. Print [pictures](#) to hand out as visual clues for some of the trivia questions.
- Set up a Jeopardy board. Draw a grid. Write the six categories across the top of a whiteboard or flip chart, and write the dollar amounts below each category. Play as a group, in teams, or with three contestants, as on the TV show. Keep score and award points. Mark off each amount after it is awarded. The first person/team to answer correctly gets to select the next category and amount. Choose a Daily Double question in advance and award double points for the correct answer. Players can wager any amount of their winnings during the Final Jeopardy round. Alternate answers appear in parentheses after the primary answer.
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