

Poison Jeopardy

This activity takes approximately 15 minutes. Divide into two equal-sized teams of players. Designate a spokesperson for each team. Only the spokesperson is allowed to give an answer, but team members should discuss answers with each other so the spokesperson speaks for the entire team.

Alternately, teams must try to answer one question, and if answered correctly, earns 1 point. If answered incorrectly, the question is passed to the other team. If the second team answers the passed question correctly, they earn 1 point and are asked the next question. For the final question, each team wagers a number of their points. They earn the points wagered if they answer correctly, or they lose the wagered points if answer incorrectly.

1. True or false. Most people have to go to the hospital when they are poisoned. (f)
2. True or false. Pets can be poisoned by household items. (t)
3. True or false. Poisons always taste bad. (f)
4. True or false. Poisoned people always look sick. (f)
5. True or false. Only plants that grow outside are poisonous. (f)
6. How many mushrooms, found outdoors, would it take to poison a child. (one or less)
7. Name four ways your body can be exposed to poison. (Poison on skin, in eyes, in lungs, eaten)
8. Where can you get help if someone has been poisoned? (Poison center, operator, 911 dispatcher, neighbor, parent, etc...)
9. When are vitamins dangerous? (Take more than one; take too many, if they contain iron, etc...)
10. What is the number one killer of kids? Is it drug abuse, child abuse, accidents, or disease? (Accidents)
11. Where is the best place for a Poison Help phone sticker? (on or near the phone)
In what states can you call the number on the Poison Help phone sticker and get help from a poison center. (Anywhere in the United States)
What is the very first thing you should do if someone is poisoned? (Take away the poison)
14. Name something poisonous that looks like something safe. (Vitamins-candy, pine sol-apple juice, medicine-punch, plant-lettuce, mouthwash-blue Kool-Aid, etc...)

Final question: Name 5 poisons that are found outside your house. (Mushrooms, poison ivy, bees, snakes, charcoal lighter, yard chemicals, etc...)

Final question: Name 3 ways you can make your home poison safe. (Store poisons in a safe place, use child-resistant caps, put a Poison Help phone sticker on the phone)