

Match Game Instructions

This can be played with family, friends, at parties, at work with employees/departments/division or even via online chat services like Zoom or Skype. You can use these questions from the original show or make up your own. It is great because it can be played anywhere with no props required.

Participants:

- Facilitator: To read questions and act as an MC
- Teams – anywhere from 2-5 people per team (you can go as high as 10, but better to make teams 5 or less so everyone participates).
- “Celebrity Panel” – Anywhere from 3-5 members at a table facing the group.

Materials needed:

- 1 Sharpie/magic marker for each panelist and for each team (remember that sharpies can bleed, so give extra paper or cardboard if necessary)
- 1 piece of paper per question for each panelist and ½ sheets for each team (have extras on hand just in case); use card stock and both sides can be used.
- Thank you gifts for panelists (optional) & prizes for team with the most points (optional)
- A method for each team to collect points (chips, 1 point paper pieces, etc.)

Answer Rules:

Nothing lewd, crude or rude.

Answers may be up to 3 words long; example: green giant

Process:

- Facilitator reads a question twice slowly, stating the “blank” in it.
- Panelists do not talk to each other; they write down their own answers.
- Teams talk amongst themselves, agree quickly on one answer, and write it down.
- The teams then each read their answers aloud, then the panelists show their answers.
- The teams each get 1 point per panelist they match.
- If that answer also matches the most popular one from the original show (in bold after each question), they get 1 single extra point (not one per panelist answer).
- If there is a tie between teams, use the tie breakers at the end of this sheet.

TIE BREAKER FOR FIRST PLACE:

The first team gets to pick a panelist to match, and then get the single word and the blank they need to fill. They state one answer, and get points if they match the panelist. Then the other team repeats the process with a new word and blank. The team that wins the most points wins.

Warm Up: Read this example and let everyone call out answers: Susie was so afraid of the dark that she wouldn't even _____ with the lights off. (Sample answers could be sleep, dream, etc.)

Match Game Statements

Mary wanted to heat up the party, so she spiced up the punch with _____.

Little Johnny was hoping Santa was going to leave him a lot of toys and candy, so instead of a stocking, he hung up a _____.

Elvira loves Halloween so much that she pruned her trees into the shape of _____.

Sammy sat on Santa's lap and asked for a truck, but Santa was a little hard of hearing and instead he left Sammy a _____ under the tree.

Jerry was surprised at the 4th of July event when the firework display included a new one that blew up into the shape of a _____.

Amanda was so sleepy New Year's Day that when she went to brush her teeth, she accidentally put _____ on her toothbrush Instead of toothpaste.

Becky was very health-conscious, so instead of giving heart boxes filled with chocolates for Valentine's Day, she filled them with _____.

Santa was running a little behind schedule so he decided to feed the reindeer some _____ to give them an extra kickstart.

Ann was so tired from shopping that she accidentally stuffed her Thanksgiving turkey with _____.

Santa's elves decided to add an adult twist to candy canes, so they made them in _____ flavor.

Don had a cold when he called the bakery, and he was surprised when instead of it saying Mom on the cake, it said "Happy Birthday _____".