



MEDICAL MINUTIAE

WHAT IS MEDICAL MINUTIAE?

Medical Minutiae is a medical student trivia game developed by the ACS Division of Member Services. This surgical knowledge trivia game is intended to be used as a fun educational tool for our student members to enjoy.

Ideal for a surgery interest group game night or ACS Chapters looking to engage students. Medical Minutiae can be requested by contacting Hanna Lakew, ACS Member Services Specialist, at hlakew@facs.org.

GENERAL GAME FORMAT

There will be two rounds consisting of 5 categories each and one final round consisting of single question.

Teams ring in using buzzers and are expected to respond in the form of a question. Points are awarded depending on the difficulty of the clue. Points are subtracted accordingly for incorrect responses.

If the response is incorrect or not in the correct format, play passes to the next team. The last team to have correctly responded chooses the next clue.

In the final round, teams are given the category first and then given 30 seconds to submit a wager. The wager should not be more than the total points they already have earned in rounds 1 and 2. After wagers have been made and submitted to the host, the clue is revealed. Teams are given 60 seconds to write their responses in the form of a question privately before the final reveal. The team with the most points after final question is crowned the winner!

COMPONENTS OF THE GAME

1. Game board PPT: Please be sure to TEST the PowerPoint on the device that you will be using prior to the start of the game and be sure to enable any PowerPoint capabilities if asked when opening. The game is also available in a PDF format.
2. Scorecard PDF: A scorecard is provided for each team to keep track of their points. Alternatively, you may choose to keep track of points using a whiteboard so that scores can be visible to all participants and observers.
3. Response guide PDF: This document lists the responses in a table format for easy and quick viewing by the game host.
4. Buzzer App: To play Medical Minutiae each team will have to download a buzzer app. One of the user-tested apps is called Trivia Bowl Buzzer. It's free to download, and only one player per team needs to have it. Please note that this app is only available in the Apple app store and is not available for Android devices.



PLANNING

Be sure that the room you will be using to play Medical Minutiae is equipped with a computer and projector to display the game.

WHO PARTICIPATES

1. Medical students – To play Medical Minutia, teams of two are recommended with two or three teams competing in each round. The game can also be played without teams.
2. Game Host – The host is responsible for facilitating the game, navigating the gameboard, and settling any disputes regarding buzzing in or whether a response is acceptable.
3. Score Keeper – The score keeper is responsible for recording all points lost and gained throughout the game. Scores may be recorded on the provided scorecard or written on a whiteboard if one is available.
4. Time Keeper – Each round should last about 20 -30 minutes. Time keepers are responsible for making sure that the game keeps moving. It may be helpful to set time limits to keep the game moving and to keep response times fair. Use the buzzer app or a separate timer. You can set a time limit for buzzing in (for example, five or 10 seconds), and for giving a response after buzzing in (for example, five seconds).

Questions about how to use the game should be sent to hakew@facs.org

We encourage you to take pictures during your game and share them with us via Twitter or Facebook.

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