

Are You a Word Wiz?

Because people from many countries have settled in both Israel and the United States, the spoken language is a mixture of words from many places.

How many of these words do you know? Choose and click on one answer for each question



- 1. *Optimuiot*:**
 - a. A small Italian car
 - b. Latin for "eye doctor"
 - c. A mixture of Hebrew and English meaning "optimistic" - seeing the positive side of things
- 2. *Shmooze*:**
 - a. A popular doll with a round stomach and long hair
 - b. A word used in English based on the Yiddish "*schmuesn*," to chat or gossip
 - c. A kind of roller skate
- 3. *Alhàt*:**
 - a. This is a Ladino (mixture of Spanish and Hebrew) word which means "Sunday"
 - b. A hat worn by Al Capone, the famous gangster
 - c. A small bird
- 4. *Yallah-bye*:**
 - a. A song to help babies sleep
 - b. A mixture of the Arabic for "let's go" with the English "good-bye"
 - c. An excuse
- 5. *Garagenik*:**
 - a. A kind of hard candy
 - b. A style of music
 - c. Combination of English "garage" and Russian suffix "*-nik*" meaning a mechanic

Your Score:

3 - 5 correct: You're an international Word Wiz!

2 - 3 correct: Keep listening, you're learning.

0 - 1 correct: Wake up and try again!

Answers: 1.c, 2.b, 3.a, 4.b, 5.c

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