Two Whats?! And a Wow! Are you Up For - Est?! - Round 1

(SOUNDBITE OF DRUM ROLL)

(SOUNDBITE OF THEME MUSIC, "TWO WHATS?! AND A WOW!")

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(THEME MUSIC ENDS)

Mindy. Hellooooo Wowzers! And welcome back to Two What's?! And a Wow!

Voices. (singing theme) Two whats and a wow!

Mindy. The scientific game show that separates the wows from the whaaats?!

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Mindy. Buuuuutttt, if you guess wrong, you must stop, drop, and do a ridonculous physical challenge.

(SOUNDBITE OF AUDIENCE REACTION - WOO HOO! SHH!)

Guy Raz. Okay, everyone ready to start the game?

(SOUNDBITE OF AUDIENCE CHEERING)

Mindy. Great! Then let's get started.

(SOUNDBITE OF TENSE GAME SHOW MUSIC)

Guy Raz. Okay, round one....which of the following statements is a true, scientific wow. Is it, a) cinnamon is made out of tree bark?

Mindy. Or is it b) scientists have discovered palm trees in Antarctica?

Guy Raz. Or is it c) the white cedar is the fastest growing tree, which grows at 16 feet per year?

Mindy. When you think you have the correct answer... hide it under the nearest couch cushion!

(SOUNDBITES OF AUDIENCE LAUGHING)

Mindy. Reggie!

Reggie. Coo!

Mindy. Uh, thinking music, please!

Reggie. Coo!

(SOUNDBITE OF "THINKING MUSIC") (SOUNDBITE OF "TIME'S UP" BELL)

Guy Raz. Annund time is up! It's now time to reveal the winning wow!

(SOUNDBITE OF HORN)

Mindy. And to do just that, joining us by phone, it's Juliana from California! Juliana tell us...what's the wow?

Juliana. Hi, my wow in the world is that cinnamon is made out of tree bark.

(SOUNDBITE OF "CORRECT" DING) (SOUNDBITE, FANFARE)

Mindy. Winner winner photosynthesis for dinner!

Guy Raz. Thank you, Juliana! Contestants, if you guessed the answer "A" that cinnamon is made from tree bark, you found the winning wow! Congratulations!

(SOUNDBITE OF APPLAUSE)

Mindy. The cinnamon you find in your grocery store has a looong journey before it gets to that shelf! Before it becomes a spice, it's scraped from the inner bark of tree species from the genus, cinnamomum (sina-mom-uhm).

Guy Raz. Try saying that ten times fast!

Mindy. Sina-mom-uhm sina-mom-uhm sina-mom-uhm.....

Guy Raz. Not now, Mindy!

Mindy. Oh right. Um, uh, now, if you did not get the answer correct, you must stop, drop, and ask the nearest grandma to cut some cheese!!

Gramma G-Force. Did somebody want me to cut the cheese?

Guy Raz. No!! No.

Gramma G-Force. (toot) (SOUNDBITE OF FLATULENCE)

(SOUNDBITE OF AUDIENCE LAUGHTER)

Mindy. That's my Gramma G-Force!

(SOUNDBITE OF AUDIENCE CHATTER)

Guy Raz. And for the record, that can also mean asking a grandma to cut you some real cheese with a knife!

Mindy. Less fun, but okay! (SOUNDBITE OF AUDIENCE LAUGHTER) **Guy Raz.** Well, congratulations to all of our winning Wozers! Mindy, what's today's prize?

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(SOUNDBITE OF AUDIENCE APPLAUSE)

Guy Raz. (loud whisper) Mindy..this might be our #1 worst prize EVER!

Mindy. Ehh I think it's more like #2!

(SOUNDBITE OF AUDIENCE LAUGHTER)

Guy Raz. Ugh.

Mindy. Okay Reg, cue the prize cannon!

Reggie. Coo!

(SOUNDBITE OF CANNON)

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(SOUNDBITE OF DRUM ROLL)

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Guy Raz. Okay, everyone ready to start the game?

(SOUNDBITE OF AUDIENCE CHEERING)

Mindy. Great! Then let's get started.

(SOUNDBITE OF TENSE GAME SHOW MUSIC)

Guy Raz. Round two....which of the following statements is a true, scientific wow? Is it, a) scientists believe trees could grow on Venus?

Mindy. Or is it b) trees can communicate with each other through mushrooms?

Guy Raz. Or is it c) more than half of all tree species live in the United States?

Mindy. When you think you have the correct answer... share it with the nearest dentist!

Mindy. Uh, thinking music, please!

(SOUNDBITE OF AUDIENCE LAUGHING)

Reggie. Coo coo!

(SOUNDBITE OF "THINKING MUSIC") (SOUNDBITE OF "TIME'S UP" BELL)

Guy Raz. Annund time is up! It's time to reveal the winning wow!

(SOUNDBITE OF HORN)

Mindy. And to do just that, joining us by phone, it's Nial! Nial, what's the wow?!

Nial. Hi. Did you know trees can talk to each other 'cause of mushrooms?

(SOUNDBITE OF "CORRECT" DING) (SOUNDBITE, FANFARE)

Mindy. Winner winner tree trunks for dinner!

Guy Raz. Thank you, Nial! Contestants, if you guessed the answer "B" that trees can communicate through mushrooms, you found the winning wow! Congratulations!

(SOUNDBITE OF AUDIENCE APPLAUSE)

Mindy. There's a network of fungus like mushrooms that work together to move water and nutrients between trees. The trees can use these networks to communicate with one another, kind of like how they would if they had social media! Except they don't need to log on!

(SOUNDBITE OF LAUGHTER)

Guy Raz. Ha! That was a good one, Mindy!

Mindy. Thank you, Guy Razzy! Now, if you did not guess the correct answer for round two, you must stop, drop, and brush your teeth with mustard!

(SOUNDBITE OF AUDIENCE LAUGHTER)

Guy Raz. Ew...

Mindy. Hey, I don't make this stuff up!

Guy Raz. Yes, you do!

(SOUNDBITE OF AUDIENCE LAUGHTER)

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Guy Raz. Okay, everyone ready to start the game?

(SOUNDBITE OF AUDIENCE CHEERING)

Mindy. Great! Then let's get started.

(SOUNDBITE OF TENSE GAME SHOW MUSIC)

Guy Raz. Time for round three....which of the following statements is a true, scientific wow? Is it, a) there are more trees on earth than there are stars in the milky way?

Mindy. Or is it b) some trees don't make any noise when they fall?

Guy Raz. Or is it c) redbud trees drink on average 200 gallons of water a day?

Mindy. When you think you have the correct answer... sing it the lowest note you can sing! Hey Reggie! Cue the thinking music!

(SOUNDBITE OF "THINKING MUSIC") (SOUNDBITE OF "TIME'S UP" BELL)

Guy Raz. Aaaand time is up!

Mindy. And to reveal that winning wow, please welcome by phone, it's Owen from Washington! Owen, tell us...what's the wow?

Owen. Hi, my name is Owen. My wow is that there are more trees on earth than there are stars in the Milky Way.

(SOUNDBITE OF "CORRECT" DING) (SOUNDBITE OF AUDIENCE FANFARE)

Mindy. Winner winner stardust for dinner!

Guy Raz. Thank you, owen! Contestants, if you guessed the answer "A", that there are more trees on earth than there are stars in the Milky Way, you found the winning wow! Congratulations, wowzers!

Mindy. Even though there are an estimated 100 to 400 billion stars in our milky way, there are still more trees on earth! It's estimated that there are around three trillion trees on this planet! That's about 379 trees per person!

Guy Raz. That's incredible!

Mindy. Now, if you did not get that answer correct, you must stop, drop, and lick your elbow!

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