

Nostalgic Trivia Pack #1

Television in the 1950s

Take your time and answer what you remember. There are no wrong answers if it starts a conversation or brings back a memory!

- 1. What cowboy television hero was known for his horse named Trigger?**
- 2. What television comedian often wore a polka-dot dress and got into funny situations with her husband Ricky?**
- 3. What puppet cowboy greeted children with the phrase, “Hiya, kids!”**
- 4. What western television show featured a marshal named Matt Dillon?**
- 5. What family sitcom featured Harriet, Ozzie, David, and Ricky?**
- 6. What television variety show featured a group known as “The Mouseketeers”?**
- 7. Before remote controls were common, what did you have to do to change television channels?**
- 8. Many families gathered around what piece of furniture to watch television together?**
- 9. What comedy show featured a husband-and-wife team named Lucy and Ricky Ricardo?**
- 10. What television cowboy was famous for wearing a white hat and singing songs?**
- 11. What weekly television program often featured performers, singers, dancers, and comedians all on one stage?**
- 12. Did your family own a television when you were growing up?**
- 13. What was your favorite television show as a child or young adult?**
- 14. Who usually decided what was watched in your home?**

15. What memories do you have of watching television with family or friends?

Conversation Starters

- Do you remember your family's first television?
- Was it black-and-white or color?
- Where was the television located in your home?
- Did neighbors ever gather together to watch special programs?
- What television character did you most admire?

Answer Key

1. Roy Rogers
2. Lucille Ball (Lucy Ricardo)
3. Howdy Doody
4. Gunsmoke
5. The Adventures of Ozzie and Harriet
6. The Mickey Mouse Club
7. Walk to the television and turn the dial
8. Television console / TV cabinet
9. I Love Lucy
10. Roy Rogers
11. Variety Show (examples include The Ed Sullivan Show)