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Warm-room trivia

Eight friendly questions with Granite & Sweep



Learn the game. Love the game.

How tonight works

New to curling? You are in the right room.

Talk it over	Work alone or with a small team.
One point per answer	Close wording counts. No speed bonuses.
Enjoy Sweep's guesses	They are jokes—not the correct answers.
Everyone gets a turn	Ask, pass or change your mind.

Question 1 • The team

How many players are on the ice for a traditional curling team?

Talk it over. What is your team's answer?



SWEEP'S SILLY GUESS — NOT THE ANSWER

"Enough to fill the snack table?"

Answer 1 • The team

Four players

Each player delivers two stones per end.



Granite says: “That’s one to remember.”

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Question 2 • The target

What is the target area at each end of the sheet called?

Talk it over. What is your team's answer?

SWEEP'S SILLY GUESS — NOT THE ANSWER

"The broom cupboard!"



Answer 2 • The target

The house

The centre is commonly called the button.



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Question 3 • The final stone

What does having the hammer mean?

Talk it over. What is your team’s answer?

SWEEP’S SILLY GUESS — NOT THE ANSWER

“First choice of the biscuits!”



Answer 3 • The final stone

Last-stone advantage

That team delivers the final stone of the end.



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Question 4 • The scoreboard

What is an end with no points scored called?

Talk it over. What is your team’s answer?

SWEEP’S SILLY GUESS — NOT THE ANSWER

“A snack break with extra steps!”



Answer 4 • The scoreboard

A blank end

No points are added to either team’s score.



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Question 5 • The stone

What kind of rock is used to make curling stones?

Talk it over. What is your team's answer?

SWEEP'S SILLY GUESS — NOT THE ANSWER

"Frozen shortbread. Very crunchy."



Answer 5 • The stone

Granite

A fitting name for tonight’s host.



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Question 6 • The gathering

What is a curling tournament often called?

Talk it over. What is your team’s answer?



SWEEP’S SILLY GUESS — NOT THE ANSWER

“A broom reunion!”

Answer 6 • The gathering

A bonspiel

A chance to play games and meet other curlers.



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Question 7 • Wheelchair curling

Is sweeping used in wheelchair curling?

Talk it over. What is your team's answer?



SWEEP'S SILLY GUESS — NOT THE ANSWER

"Only if the ice looks dusty!"

Answer 7 • Wheelchair curling

No sweeping

Stones are delivered without teammates sweeping.



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World Curling • What is curling?

Question 8 • A little history

In which country were the first recognised curling clubs formed?

Talk it over. What is your team's answer?



SWEEP'S SILLY GUESS — NOT THE ANSWER

"In the Kingdom of Sweeping!"

Answer 8 • A little history

Scotland

Curling later travelled widely with Scottish settlers.



Granite says: “That’s one to remember.”

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Good curling, everyone

Eight questions. Lots to talk about.

Which answer surprised you?
What would you like to try on the ice?

Thank your teammates—and the other teams.

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Answers & sources

1 Four · 2 House · 3 Last-stone advantage · 4 Blank end
5 Granite · 6 Bonspiel · 7 No sweeping · 8 Scotland

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