The Not-so Newlywed Game Script

Time needed: 30-45 minutes

Needed props:

- Notepad or spiral notebook and markers for answering questions
- Scoreboard (dry erase board, poster board, or laptop and projection screen)
- Handheld microphone for host
- Podium for host
- 6 chairs for contestants – 3 chairs at each of 2-6ft tables if space on the stage permits

Optional props:

- Curtain/backdrop for stage (budget saver- use sheets and pushpins)
- Not-so Newlywed Game show sign
- Skirts/tablecloths for the tables on the stage

Participants needed (all recruited in advance):

- Host
- Score keeper
- 3 married couples (choose well-loved couples if possible)

Script:

Muscle plays as everyone finds their place on stage. You might be able to find the actual Newlywed Game show music online – our Youth Pastor had it on CD.

Host: Welcome to The Not-so Newlywed Game, I’m your host, __________________. We’re thrilled to have 3 special couples here with us this evening. Please welcome __________________, __________________, and __________________.

(Ask each couple how long they have been married – giving audience time to applaud.)

Host: Tonight we’ll find out just how well each one knows their spouse. The couple with the most matching answers at the end of the evening will be declared the winners. Alright ladies and gentlemen, let’s get the show started. Ladies, would you please exit to the hallway so I can quiz your husbands.

Have Score Keeper move the wives to a hallway or room where they won’t be able to hear what’s going on.
Host: Guys, please grab your notepad and pen to record your answers. You’ll write each one on a separate page. If you would, please write large enough for our audience to see your answers when they are revealed. Let’s get started with the Round 1 Questions for the men.

Question # 1 – What is your wife’s pet name for you? *(make sure they flip to the next page after each question)*

Question # 2 – Who takes the longest to get ready in the morning?

Question # 3 – Complete the following sentence: “A perfect wife is one who ____________”.

Question # 4 – Within 3 how many pairs of shoes will your wife say she has?

Question # 5 – Where did you first kiss your wife?

Have the men flip their cards back to the beginning - keeping their answers hidden. Ask the Score Keeper to bring the ladies back into the room. Once they are seated, re-ask each question to the entire group, giving the ladies a few moments to think of their answer.

Ask all 3 wives question 1 revealing their husband’s answers immediately. Move onto question 2, again revealing their husband’s answers. Continue through question 5.

Please try to vary who you ask first – ie. ask Betty question #1 first, but then have Teresa answer question #2 first – so that no one couple/person always has to go first...

Question #1 - What did your husband say is your pet name for him?

Question # 2 – Who did your husband say takes the longest to get ready in the morning?

Question # 3 – How did your husband complete the following sentence: “A perfect wife is one who ____________”.

Question # 4 – Within 3 how many pairs of shoes did your husband say you have?

Question # 5 – Where did your husband say he first kissed you?

Score Keeper: Share the scores for each couple.

Host: Alright men, time for you to exit to the hallway. Ladies, if you’ll take the notepad and pen from your husband, we’ll get started with your set of questions. Please write each answer on a separate page and large enough for our audience to read.

Question # 1 – What is your husband’s most prized possession?

Question # 2 – What one item of clothing does your spouse wear that you just can’t stand?
Question #3 - Which would your husband least like to do: go shopping with you or clean the toilets?

Question #4 – Where did your husband take you on your first date?

Question #5 - If you asked your husband to cook dinner one evening, what dish would he prepare?

Ladies, if you would flip back to your first answer, cover it up, and we’ll bring the guys back into the room.

Score Keeper has men return to the stage.

Host: Alright men, let’s see how your answers match up to the questions your wives were asked? 

Ask all 3 husbands question 1 revealing their wives’s answers immediately. Move onto question 2, again revealing their wives’s answers. Continue through question 5.

What did your wife say is your most prized possession?

What one item of clothing does your wife say you wear that she just can’t stand?

Which did your wife say you would least like to do: go shopping with you or clean the toilets?

Where did your wife say you took her on your first date?

What dish did your wife say you would prepare if she asked you to cook dinner one evening?

Score Keeper: Announce the scores for each couple.

Host: Congratulations to ________________________________.

Host: We want to thank all of our couples for being such good sports tonight. (Have everyone give them a hand if they aren’t already applauding.)

Play music as the couples walk back to their seats.

Options:

Round 3 – IF time allows. Ladies to the hallway.

Question # 1 – What is the last book your wife has read?
Question # 2 – Which song best describes your first date: Sea of Love, Maneater, Separate Ways, Our Lips are Sealed, or Cold as Ice?

Question # 3 – What television show did you and your wife watch together last?

Question # 4 – What is your wife’s favorite color?

Question # 5 - Where will your wife say she had the best vacation with you?

**IF there is a TIE** – Ask the ladies to write down the date, month, and year of their first date. Then ask the men what is the date, month and year of their first date.