Round 3: Thing Explainer

A few years ago, Randall Munroe, author of the webcomic xkcd, released a comic where he explained the Saturn Five rocket using only the thousand most common English words. (Or, the ten hundred words people use the most often.)

For example, the part where you put in liquid oxygen was labeled “More breathing-type air (for burning) (cold and wet).”

Now you’re going to get to do the same thing! Pick one team member who will come up and get the answers that they must clue using only the thousand most common English words. The rest of the team will have to figure out the answers from only the clues written by that person. Whoever you pick should come up with an internet-connected phone where they can type their guesses.

Instructions:

- Use either xkcd.com/simplewriter or splasho.com/upgoer5.
- Develop clues for the concepts below using only the allowed words.
- Show them to someone else to see if they can figure out what you were cluing!

1. Aretha Franklin
2. Pawn
3. Censorship
4. Burrito
5. Pirates of the Caribbean
6. Hoverboards