

First words

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Letters and reading – Listening – Preparation to learn how to write

The perfect game to learn to form words and prepare to learn how to read

With these self correcting puzzle pieces, the child can playfully rebuild 40 words by assembling letters or syllables.

This game helps children to understand the way words are formed as well as the recognition of sounds and syllables.

Contents

40 Word puzzles, namely:

20 syllable words (10 words with 2 syllables and 10 words with 3 syllables)

20 letter words (6 words with 4 letters, 4 words with 5 letters and 7 words with 6 letters)

1 game instructions

Game 1: The Word Market (3 to 5 players)

Objective

Be the first to assemble a word.

Setting Up

For this game, use the Word puzzles. Choose one word per player by using words with the same letter count. The remaining Word puzzles are put aside. Detach the letters, shuffle them and distribute them equally to all players.

How to Play

The players place their letters separately in front of them, face up.

When it is their turn, each player searches among the letters of the other players one that they can immediately assemble with one they already own. They call out the letter and take it from the other player.

- If it is the right letter, they keep it and put the puzzle pieces together.
- If it is not the right letter, they give it back.

As soon as one player has begun to assemble a word, the other players can no longer take the letters of this word from him.

End of the Game

The first player to assemble a word in front of them wins.

Game variant: The same game using Word puzzles with 2 and 3 syllables by distributing two words per player.

Game 2: Speed game (2 to 5 players or play in teams)

Objective

Be the first to assemble a word.

Setting Up

Play with the 6 letter Word puzzles. Each player gets one letter from a different word.

The remaining letters are shuffled and spread out in the middle of the table face down.

How to Play

The players must all try at the same time to rebuild their word as fast as possible. The letters that don't fit must immediately be put back in the middle of the table, face down.

Game variant

The same game using Word puzzles wit 3 syllables.

Game 3: **Hunting for words** (2 to 5 players)

Setting Up

Play with as many Word puzzles (cut up into letters) as there are players. The remaining Word puzzles are put aside. Everyone has to carefully study the selected words. Then, remove the initial from each word and shuffle them before giving one to each player. The remaining letters from the selected words are then detached, shuffled and placed in the middle of the table, face down.

How to Play

During their turn, the player draws a letter from the middle, reads it out loud and checks if it is part of the word of which he has the initial.

- If the letter is part of the player's word, they can keep it.
- If the letter is not part of the player's word, they put it back in the middle of the table.

Then, it's the next player's turn.

End of the Game

The first player to assemble their word wins.

Game variant

For older children who begin to read: use two words with 2 syllables per player. The most experienced ones will play with 3-syllable words.

Game 4: **Solo game**

Syllable game

Play with the Word puzzles cut up into syllables.

Shuffle the syllables. The child must rebuild each word.

Choose a number of words corresponding to the evolution of your child. The differently cut puzzle pieces work as self-correcting system.

5-letter game

Same game with the Word puzzles cut up into letters.

First, choose 4-letter words, then progressively raise the difficulty by adding little by little 5-letter words and then 6-letter words.

Game variant

The same game using Word puzzles wit 3 syllables.

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