

# Spelling Game

## Batter Up!

**Players:** 2 teams of 2 or more players

**You need:** large sheet of cardboard, markers, 40 index cards, list of Basic Words from Units 25–29 as reviewed in Unit 30

**How to play:** Teams compete to win runs by spelling Basic Words.

1. Make a baseball game board by drawing a square on the cardboard. Draw a circle in the center, and label it “pitcher’s mound.” Draw numbers 1, 2, and 3 on the bases, and write “home” on home plate. Write one Basic Word on each card. Place the cards face down in a pile on the pitcher’s mound.
2. One team “bats” and one team “pitches.” The pitcher picks a card and says the word aloud to a batter from the other team. If the batter spells the word correctly, he or she puts the card on first base. Then it’s the next batter’s turn at bat. The pitcher draws another word card. If batter 2 spells the word correctly, he or she puts the card on first base and moves the other card to second base.
3. Play continues as batters spell more words and move cards around the bases. When a card reaches home plate, the batting team receives 1 point. If a word is not spelled correctly, the batter is out, and the pitcher reads the word to the next batter. After two outs, the other team is at bat.
4. The winning team has more points after both teams have batted six times.

