

# Spelling Game

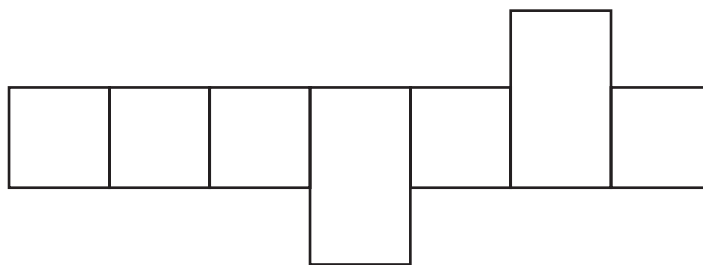
## The Shape of Words

**Players:** 3 or 4

**You need:** Unit 17 Basic Word list, paper, pencils

**How to play:** Players guess words from clues.

Each player chooses a Basic Word from the list. Players then draw boxes on a sheet of paper to show the shape of each word. For example, the word *compete* would look like this.



- On the back of his or her paper, each player should write three clues for the word. The clues can suggest the spelling, the prefix, or a meaning of the word.
- Players sit in a circle. The first player holds up a word shape. Moving clockwise, players take turns guessing the word. The player who guesses the word and writes the word correctly in the boxes scores ten points. If no one guesses correctly, the first player reads aloud the first clue from the back of the sheet. The player who guesses the word now scores five points.
- If no one guesses the word, the second clue is read. Now a correct answer is worth three points. If the third clue has to be read, a correct answer is worth one point. Continue to play until each word is guessed. At the end of the game, the player with the most number of points is the winner.