

Spelling Game

Crossword Challenge

Players: 2–4

You need: a copy of the list of Review Words for Units 25–29 for each player, letter tiles from a word board game or drawing paper, pencil, scissors

How to play: Players earn points by making words in a crossword puzzle.

- If the players don't have letter tiles, they can make them by writing each letter of the alphabet three times on the sheets of paper and cutting the letters out in squares. Each player chooses seven letters. Players then place half of the remaining letters face down and half face up. (Players may look at the tiles in order to make sure an assortment of vowels and consonants are face up.) Each player starts with ten points.
- Player 1 tries to use his or her tiles to spell any Review Word. The player may also take one or more additional letters from the face-up tiles to help spell a word. The player subtracts one point for each letter he or she takes.
- The player places his or her letters down on the table or desk to spell a Review Word. That player gets one point for each letter in the Review Word he or she spelled. Then the player picks more face-down letters so that he or she has seven letters again.
- The next player must use a letter from one of the existing words to make his or her word. Words may go horizontally from left to right or vertically from top to bottom. If a player runs out of points and cannot make any Review Words, the player is out of the game. When there are no more letters to pick or when no one can make any more words, the player with the most points wins.

