

**Spelling  
Game**

# Pitch and Hit

**Players:** 2

**You need:** Unit 9 Basic Word list, a game marker for each player, paper, pencils

**How to play:** Players spell words to score runs as in baseball.

- The players draw a baseball diamond such as the one below. Each player chooses a marker to use as a game piece and places it at home plate.
- The first player chooses a word from the Basic Word list to 'pitch' to his or her opponent. The opponent must write the word without looking at the list. If the player spells it correctly, the player puts his or her marker on first base. If the word is not spelled correctly, the player's marker stays at home plate.
- Then the other player 'pitches' a word to his or her opponent. Play continues with players taking turns 'pitching' words. The 'hitting' player advances one base for each correctly spelled word. Each time a player reaches home base, he or she scores one run. Play continues until all Basic Words have been 'pitched.' The player with the most runs wins.

**Other ways to play this game:** Teams of 2 could play; team members take turns writing the Basic Words.

