

Word Crafting Challenge

Objective: Students will use the letters provided to create as many words as possible. The activity is designed to help improve phonics and spelling skills.

Prep: Print each page on a different color of card stock. This will help for easy sorting when the letters get mixed up! If doing this as a team activity, you will want one set of letters for each team. Place each set of letters in an envelope, baggie, or small box. Use your poster maker to create a poster of the scoreboard. Laminate the poster so you can reuse it.

Setup: Divide your class into teams. You can choose the size of your teams but between two and four students will be good. Display the scoreboard.

Rules:

1. Each team will have a designated amount of time to build as many words as possible with the given letters.
2. Words must be real English words found in the dictionary.
3. No proper nouns are allowed.
4. Words must be spelled correctly.
5. You may not use any tools to help you such as a dictionary or iPad.

(You can add or change the rules to fit your class.)

Scoring:

3 points: words with 3 – 4 letters

5 points: words with 5-6 letters

8 points: words with 7 or more letters

Extension:

Challenge students to create new words by adding or changing the prefixes and suffixes on each word.

Word List

continents

latitude

longitude

mountains

archipelago

hemisphere

Scoring

3 points:

words with 3 – 4 letters

5 points:

words with 5-6 letters

8 points:

words with 7 or more letters

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Team 1

Final Score:

Team 2

Final Score:

Team 3

Final Score:

Team 4

Final Score:

Team 5

Final Score:

Team 6

Final Score:

Name: _____

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