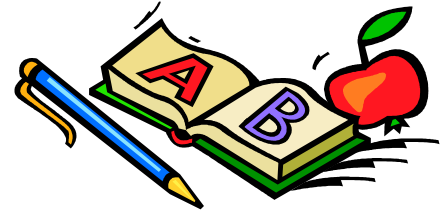


Buddy Word Play



Materials: one strip of Word Play letters
dictionary
scissors
paper and pencil for recording words

Objective: Find the “big word” and as many smaller words as possible using the given letters.

Directions:

1. You will take turns during this activity. One person will be the Word Maker and the other will be the Recorder, and then you will switch.
2. Cut apart the letters and begin to move the letters to find words. The first person to find a word becomes the first Word Maker. The other person will begin recording the words in list form on the paper. Be sure to follow the Word Play rules below!
3. After the Word Maker finds 5 words, switch roles. The Recorder becomes the new Word Maker and the other person writes down the words as they are found. Continue until time runs out.
4. If you find the big word, record it and circle it. Shhh! Don't reveal the big word to anyone else in the class!

Word Play Rules

- Words must be at least 3 letters long.
- Use only the letters given. If you can't create the word from the letters given, it doesn't count.
- No proper nouns (names of specific people, places, things, etc.)
- Words must be spelled correctly. You may use a dictionary to look up the spellings of words you know, but you may not use the dictionary to hunt for unknown words.
- You must know the meanings of all words you record.
- You may use multiple forms of a word (plurals, words with suffixes, etc.) as long as you have the letters needed to make those forms.

Variation

Each partner has a set of letters, and they take turns recording words. Partners must check with each other before recording a word.