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# Add the Vowels

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Estimated play time: Approximately 15 minutes  
 Number of players: Unlimited  
 Supplies needed: Scoring board/pad; noisemakers  
 Suitable for visually impaired players.

## Overview:

In this game, you are given two consonants. You must use them and as many vowels (and only vowels) as you want to build new words. While you can place the vowels anywhere, you cannot change the position of the consonants.

For example, given *PS*, you might start looking for words that fit the structure:

*P \_ S; \_ PS; or PS \_.*

Next, try word structures with two vowels:

*P \_ \_ S; PS \_ \_; \_ \_ PS; P \_ S \_; \_ P \_ S; and \_ PS \_.*

Continue on and try to make five-letter words. And kudos to you if you can come up with one or more six-letter words – we weren't able to!

Note: No proper nouns are allowed; and for the purposes of this game, Y is not considered a vowel.

## Instructions:

1. This game can be played by individuals or in teams.
2. Give players the first two consonants. Discussion is permitted among teammates. Prior to the start of the game, a method to signal when a team is ready to answer must be determined. Ringing bells and New Year's blowers are just two inexpensive noisemakers. Raised hands work, but the host must be vigilant to watch for whose hand went up first. The host always has the final say in any disputes.
3. After a player/team is recognized as the first to signal, they may give an answer. If the first answer is incorrect, the other teams may "buzz" in and answer.
4. Scoring: Give 10 points for each correct answer.

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**INSTRUCTIONS:** Use the two given consonants and add as many vowels as you want, wherever you want, to make new words. However, you cannot change the position of the consonants, and you can only use each consonant once.

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## QUESTIONS

1. PT
2. CD
3. SR
4. LN
5. LD

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## ANSWERS

*(Additional correct answers are possible.)*

1. Three letters: APT, OPT, PAT, PET, PIT, POT, PUT  
Four letters: PATE, PEAT, PITA, POET, POUT  
Five letters: PATIO, PIETA
2. Three letters: CAD, COD, CUD  
Four letters: ACED, ACID, CEDE, CODA, CODE, COED, CUED, ICED  
Five letters: COOED
3. Three letters: SIR  
Four letters: SARI, SEAR, SEER, SERE, SIRE, SOAR, SORE, SOUR, SUER, SURE  
Five letters: EASER
4. Three letters: (NONE)  
Four letters: ELAN, LAIN, LANE, LEAN, LIEN, LINE, LION, LOAN, LOIN, LONE, LOON, LUNA, ULNA  
Five letters: ALIEN, ALONE, ULNAE
5. Three letters: LAD, LED, LID, OLD  
Four letters: AULD, LADE, LAID, LAUD, LEAD, LIED, LOAD, LOD, LOUD, OLDE  
Five letters: AILED, ALOUD, ELUDE, OILED, OLDIE