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# Weekly Find the Words

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Estimated play time: Approximately 15 minutes

Number of players: Unlimited

Supplies needed: Pencils and paper for each player, depending on how you play

May be suitable for visually impaired players.

## Overview:

How many four- and five-letter words can you make from the letters in the phrase **SOAP OPERAS**? (Note: We found **44** four-letter and **34** five-letter words.)

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Instructions: This game can be played in a number of ways. Here are three examples:

1. Go around the room and have players (one at a time) identify the 4-letter words, then the 5-letter words. You could set a goal of finding at least 50% of the correct answers.
2. Make it a timed contest. Hand out page 2 of this document (or a blank piece of paper) and give your players two or three (or more) minutes to write down as many words as they can. The player with the most (legitimate) words is the winner.
3. Play as described in #2, but have the players work in teams of two or three.

To add a little extra fun, we've added a secret word. (You can find it on the answer page.) If you are scoring the game, give the player or team who gets the secret word double points. If you're not scoring, perhaps you can give them a small prize – a piece of chocolate, a \$1 lottery ticket, a lollipop, etc.

In addition, you will see that we've marked some words with asterisks. These words are a bit harder to get. Again, if you are scoring, you might give an extra point or two to the person/team who gets an "asterisked" word.

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## ANSWERS

(Note: Other, more obscure answers are possible.)

### 4 LETTERS

1. Aero
2. Aper
3. Apes
4. Apps
5. Apse
6. Area
7. Asea
8. Asps
9. Ears
10. Eras
11. Oars
12. Oops
13. Ores
14. Papa
15. Pare
16. Pass
17. Pear
18. Peas
19. Peps
20. Perp
21. Peso
22. Poop

### 4 LETTERS

23. Poor
24. Pops
25. Pore
26. Pose
27. Prep
28. Prop
29. Pros
30. Rape
31. Raps
32. Rasp
33. Reap
34. Roes
35. Rope
36. Rose
37. Saps
38. Sear
39. Seas
40. Soap
41. Soar
42. Sore
43. Spar
44. Spas

### 5 LETTERS

1. Apses
2. Areas
3. Arose
4. Oases
5. Opera
6. Papas
7. Paper
8. Pares
9. Parse
10. Passe
11. Pears
12. Perps
13. Pesos
14. Pores
15. Poser
16. Poses
17. Posse
18. Preps
19. Press
20. Props
21. Prose
22. Rapes

### 5 LETTERS

23. Rasps
24. Reaps
25. Ropes
26. Roses
27. Sears
28. Soaps
29. Soars
30. Sores
31. Spare
32. Spars
33. Spear
34. Spore

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