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Weekly Find the Words

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 **PUMPKIN SPICE**? (*Note: We found 57 four-letter and 34 five-letter words.*)

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. Cine *
2. Cues
3. Cups
4. Cusp *
5. Emus *
6. Epic
7. Ices
8. Imps
9. Inks
10. Menu *
11. Mice
12. Mien *
13. Mine
14. Mini
15. Mink
16. Muck *
17. Muse
18. Musk *
19. Neck
20. Nice
21. Nick
22. Nips
23. Nuke
24. Peck *
25. Pens
26. Pick
27. Pies
28. Pike
29. Pimp

4 LETTERS

30. Pine
31. Pink
32. Pins
33. Pipe
34. Pips
35. Puce *
36. Puck
37. Puke *
38. Pump
39. Punk
40. Puns
41. Pups
42. Scum *
43. Scup *
44. Semi
45. Sick
46. Sine
47. Sink
48. Skim
49. Skin
50. Skip
51. Snip
52. Spin
53. Spun
54. Suck *
55. Sump *
56. Sunk
57. Umps

5 LETTERS

1. Cumin *
2. Epics
3. Menus *
4. Miens *
5. Mince
6. Mines
7. Minis
8. Minks
9. Minus *
10. Mucks *
11. Music *
12. Necks
13. Nicks
14. Nukes
15. Pecks
16. Picks
17. Pikes
18. Pimps
19. Pines
20. **Pinup** ●●●
21. Pipes
22. Pucks *
23. Pukes
24. Pumps
25. Punks
26. Since *
27. Skein *
28. Skimp
29. Snipe

5 LETTERS

30. Speck
31. Spice
32. Spike
33. Spine
34. Spunk *

●●● Secret Word