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Building Words

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

Overview:

Build three or four consecutive words by adding one letter to the start of the previous word. For example:

Plural of is (Answer: *ARE)*
A large member of the rabbit family (Answer: *HARE*)
A unit of equity in a stock (Answer: *SHARE*)

Instructions:

1. This game can be played by individuals or in teams.

2. Read the first group of definitions. 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 their answers. 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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QUESTIONS

1. Donkey; Scottish girl; Transparent material
2. Sports official; Rear end; A bad-tempered irritable person
3. Conclude; Give money with the expectation of being paid back; To mix substances
4. Be unwell; Hardware that joins two pieces of wood together; A shelled gastropod
5. Night bird; A draped neckline on a woman's garment; An angry or disapproving expression
6. Anger; Employ; A county, especially in England
7. Writing fluid; skater's milieu; A Cosmopolitan or Manhattan
8. Single number; Sharpen; Landline or cellular
9. Baseball pitcher's goal; A wrestling or boxing match; an approximate amount, roughly
10. Consume; Warmth; Common grain
11. To employ something for its intended purpose; A person who is the source of inspiration for an artist or writer; To entertain or find something funny

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ANSWERS

1. Ass; Lass; Glass/Class
2. Ump; Rump; Grump
3. End; Lend; Blend
4. Ail; Nail; Snail
5. Owl; Cowl; Scowl
6. Ire; Hire; Shire
7. Ink; Rink; Drink
8. One; Hone; Phone
9. Out; Bout; About
10. Eat; Heat; Wheat
11. Use; Muse; Amuse

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