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Run the Alphabet

Estimated play time: Approximately 15 minutes

Number of players: Unlimited

Supplies needed: Printed sheet, pencils, timer (3 to 5 minutes)

Suitable for visually impaired players.

Overview:

From *Ax* to *Zax*, we're looking for words that begin with each letter of the alphabet and **END IN THE LETTER X**. How many can you come up with in the allotted time??

Instructions:

1. Print the following page of this document and pass a copy out to each player or team.
2. Set the timer – three to five minutes usually work best.
3. Announce the category as described in the overview above. The goal is to write down as many answers as possible, in the time allotted, that fit the category. Multiple answers for each letter is allowed. (If the players are working in teams, one person should be designated as the “writer.”)
4. When time is up, the answers should be revealed one letter at a time. For example, starting with the letter A, go around the room to each player (or team) asking for answers. Once an answer is announced, all players/teams who have that answer should write the score in the score box on their sheet. One point is scored for every correct answer. An extra two points are awarded for having a unique answer (i.e., a correct answer that no other player/team has).
5. Players should add up their own scores. Highest score wins.

Review of Scoring:

1 point for each correct answer

2 additional points for each unique answer

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	Answers	Score		Answers	Score
A			N		
B			O		
C			P		
D			Q		
E			R		
F			S		
G			T		
H			U		
I			V		
J			W		
K			X		
L			Y		
M			Z		

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ANSWERS (Other correct answers are possible.)

	Answers	Score		Answers	Score
A	APEX ANNEX		N	NIX	
B	BOX BEAUX		O	OX ONYX	
C	COMPLEX CHICKENPOX		P	PERPLEX PARADOX	
D	DETOX DUPLEX		Q	QUADRUPLEX	
E	EX EARWAX		R	REFLUX REFLEX	
F	FAX FLAX		S	SAX SMALLPOX	
G	GRAVLAX		T	THORAX TAX	
H	HOAX HEX		U	ULTRAORTHODOX UNISEX	
I	INBOX INDEX		V	VEX VORTEX	
J	JINX JUKEBOX		W	WAX	
K	KLEENEX KICKBOX		X	XEROX	
L	LOX LATEX		Y		
M	MIX MATCHBOX		Z	ZAX	