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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 **POST OFFICE**? (Note: We found **48** four-letter and **29** 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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POST OFFICE

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ANSWERS

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

4 LETTERS

1. Cite
2. Coif *
3. Coop
4. Coos *
5. Coot
6. Cope
7. Cops
8. Cost
9. Cots
10. Epic
11. Fest
12. Fief *
13. Fife *
14. Fist
15. Fits
16. Foci *
17. Foes *
18. Foot
19. Fops *
20. Ices
21. Oops
22. Opts
23. Peso *
24. Pest
25. Pets

4 LETTERS

26. Pies
27. Pits
28. Poet *
29. Pois *
30. Poof
31. Pose
32. Post
33. Pots
34. Sect
35. Sift *
36. Site
37. Soft
38. Soot
39. Spit
40. Spot
41. Step
42. Stop
43. Tics
44. Ties
45. Tiff *
46. Tips
47. Toes
48. Tops

5 LETTERS

1. Cites
2. Coifs *
3. Coops
4. Coots
5. Copes
6. Epics
7. Feist *
8. Fiefs *
9. Fifes *
10. Foist *
11. Optic *
12. **Pesto** ●●●
13. Picot *
14. Poets *
15. Poise
16. Poofs
17. Posit *
18. Scoff
19. Scoop
20. Scoot
21. Scope
22. Spice
23. Spite
24. Spoof
25. Stiff

5 LETTERS

26. Stoic
27. Stoop
28. Tiffs *
29. Topic *

●●● Secret Word