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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 **SMARTY PANTS**? (Note: We found **62** four-letter and **58** five-letter words.) If you can come up with 50 words in two minutes, you're doing great!

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. AMPS *
2. ANTS
3. ARMS
4. ARMY *
5. ARTS
6. ARTY
7. ASPS *
8. MANY *
9. MAPS
10. MART
11. MASS
12. MAST
13. MATS
14. MYNA *
15. NAPS
16. NARY *
17. NAYS *
18. PANS
19. PANT
20. PART
21. PASS
22. PAST
23. PATS
24. PAYS
25. PRAM *
26. PRAT *
27. PRAY
28. PSST *
29. RAMP
30. RAMS
31. RANT

4 LETTERS

32. RAPS
33. RASP
34. RATS
35. RAYS
36. SANS *
37. SAPS
38. SAYS
39. SNAP
40. SPAM
41. SPAN
42. SPAR
43. SPAS
44. SPAT
45. SPAY *
46. SPRY *
47. STAR
48. STAY
49. TAMP *
50. TAMS *
51. TANS
52. TAPS
53. TARP
54. TARS
55. TART
56. TRAM *
57. TRAP
58. TRAY
59. TSAR *
60. YAMS
61. YAPS *
62. YARN

5 LETTERS

1. AMASS *
2. ANTSY *
3. APART
4. ARTSY
5. ASSAY
6. MANTA *
7. MARTS
8. MASTS
9. MYNAS *
10. NASTY
11. NATTY *
12. PANSY
13. PANTS
14. PARTS
15. PARTY
16. PASTA
17. PASTS
18. PASTY *
19. PATSY *
20. PATTY
21. PRAMS
22. PRAYS
23. RAMPS
24. RANTS
25. RASPS
26. RASPY *
27. RATTY
28. SATAY *
29. SATYR *
30. SMART
31. SNAPS

5 LETTERS

32. SPAMS
33. SPANS
34. SPARS
35. SPASM *
36. SPATS *
37. SPAYS
38. SPRAY
39. STAMP
40. STARS
41. START
42. STATS
43. STAYS
44. STRAP
45. STRAY
46. TAMPs *
47. TAPAS *
48. TARPS
49. TARTS
50. TASTY
51. TRAMP
52. TRAMS
53. TRANS
54. TRAPS
55. TRAYS
56. TRYST *
57. **TSARS** ●●●
58. YARNS

●●● Secret Word