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# Word Sandwich

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Estimated play time: Varies

Number of players: Unlimited

Supplies needed: Scoring board/pad.

## Overview:

In this challenge, you need to insert one of the words in the right column into one of the words in the left column to make a new word – without changing the order of any letters. For example, given the words *USED* (in the left column) and *HER* (in the right column), you can insert *HER* after the *S* in *USED* to make the new word *USHERED*.

## Instructions:

1. This game can be played by individuals or in teams.
2. Players need the ability to see the entire list of options. You can project the next page on a screen, pass out printed copies to each player or team, or rewrite the two columns of words on a whiteboard large enough for all to see.
3. Taking the words one at a time, read the first word in the left column and ask players to find a word that can be inserted in that word.
4. 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.
5. After a player/team is recognized as the first to signal, they may give an answer. If the first answer is incorrect, the other teams may "buzz" in and answer.
6. When the correct answer is identified, go on to the next word in the left column.
7. Scoring: Give 10 points for each correct answer.

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| 1. <b>SHED</b>    | a. <b>AGE</b>  |
| 2. <b>CLING</b>   | b. <b>AUNT</b> |
| 3. <b>SKY</b>     | c. <b>EAR</b>  |
| 4. <b>TORT</b>    | d. <b>ALL</b>  |
| 5. <b>SHARING</b> | e. <b>MEN</b>  |
| 6. <b>CAGE</b>    | f. <b>USE</b>  |
| 7. <b>FILE</b>    | g. <b>OUT</b>  |
| 8. <b>PLAN</b>    | h. <b>PEN</b>  |
| 9. <b>FLED</b>    | i. <b>PUN</b>  |
| 10. <b>BAD</b>    | j. <b>RAG</b>  |
| 11. <b>CAD</b>    | k. <b>TOO</b>  |
| 12. <b>DAMS</b>   | l. <b>OUR</b>  |

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## ANSWERS

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| 1.  | <b>SHED</b>    | <b>OUT</b>  | <b>SH<u>OUT</u>ED</b>    |
| 2.  | <b>CLING</b>   | <b>EAR</b>  | <b>CL<u>E</u>ARING</b>   |
| 3.  | <b>SKY</b>     | <b>PUN</b>  | <b>SP<u>U</u>NKY</b>     |
| 4.  | <b>TORT</b>    | <b>MEN</b>  | <b>TOR<u>M</u>ENT</b>    |
| 5.  | <b>SHARING</b> | <b>PEN</b>  | <b>SHAR<u>P</u>ENING</b> |
| 6.  | <b>CAGE</b>    | <b>OUR</b>  | <b>CO<u>U</u>RAGE</b>    |
| 7.  | <b>FILE</b>    | <b>RAG</b>  | <b>FR<u>A</u>GILE</b>    |
| 8.  | <b>PLAN</b>    | <b>TOO</b>  | <b>PLAT<u>O</u>ON</b>    |
| 9.  | <b>FLED</b>    | <b>AUNT</b> | <b>FLA<u>U</u>NTED</b>   |
| 10. | <b>BAD</b>     | <b>ALL</b>  | <b>BA<u>L</u>LAD</b>     |
| 11. | <b>CAD</b>     | <b>USE</b>  | <b>CA<u>U</u>SED</b>     |
| 12. | <b>DAMS</b>    | <b>AGE</b>  | <b>DAM<u>A</u>GES</b>    |