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Anagrams

Estimated play time: Approximately 15 minutes
Number of players: Unlimited
Supplies needed: Scoring board/pad; noisemakers
May be suitable for visually impair players

Overview:

The letters of each word in this list can be arranged in multiple ways to form other words. In this game, we provide a word and (in parentheses) the number of anagrams that it is possible to make. For example, *Edit (3)* means that there are three more ways to rearrange the letters **E, D, I, T** to make additional words. In this case the answer would be: *Tide, Diet, Tied*.

Instructions:

This game works best if the players can see the word to be anagrammed. Write it clearly on a white board or large pad. Also, you should pass out pencils and scrap paper to those players who may prefer to work out the anagrams in writing.

If you score the games, give your players one point for each correct anagram and an extra point if they get all possible anagrams.

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QUESTIONS

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| 1. | POONS (2) | _____ | _____ | | |
| 2. | PAWS (2) | _____ | _____ | | |
| 3. | ARIL (4) | _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| 4. | MODE (2) | _____ | _____ | | |
| 5. | STEW (2) | _____ | _____ | | |
| 6. | LUMPS (2) | _____ | _____ | | |
| 7. | LEAPT (3) | _____ | _____ | _____ | |
| 8. | ABETS (3) | _____ | _____ | _____ | |
| 9. | HATER (2) | _____ | _____ | | |
| 10. | REINS (4) | _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| 11. | AMENS (4) | _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ |

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ANSWERS

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|-----|-------|----------------------------|
| 1. | POONS | SNOOP; SPOON |
| 2. | PAWS | SWAP; WASP |
| 3. | ARIL | LAIR; LIAR; LIRA; RAIL |
| 4. | MODE | DEMO; DOME |
| 5. | STEW | WEST; WETS |
| 6. | LUMPS | PLUMS; SLUMP |
| 7. | LEAPT | PETAL; PLATE; PLEAT |
| 8. | ABETS | BASTE; BEAST; BEATS |
| 9. | HATER | EARTH; HEART |
| 10. | REINS | RESIN; RINSE; RISEN; SIREN |
| 11. | AMENS | MANES; MANSE; MEANS; NAMES |