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Hangman

Estimated play time: Approximately 15 minutes

Number of players: Unlimited

Supplies needed: Scoring board/pad; noisemakers

Overview:

Hangman is an English word game that most historians believe was developed during the Victorian era (1837 – 1901). Today, most English-speaking kids learn how to play **Hangman** around the same time they become proficient in spelling.

Play **Hangman** or **Replace the Missing Letters** (posted separately) with this list of **OXYMORONS**.

Note: An oxymoron is a figure of speech that juxtaposes apparently contradictory elements to form a phrase that is not necessarily a contradiction in terms. For example, legendary comedian George Carlin often highlighted funny oxymorons, such as “jumbo shrimp” or “military intelligence,” in his routines.

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