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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 **OCEAN WAVES**? (Note: We found **50** four-letter and **22** 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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ANSWERS

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

4 LETTERS

1. Aces
2. Acne *
3. Aeon *
4. Anew
5. Asea *
6. Avow *
7. Awes
8. Cane
9. Cans
10. Case
11. Cave
12. Caws *
13. Cone
14. Cons
15. Cove
16. Cows
17. Ease
18. Eave
19. Eons *
20. Even
21. Eves
22. Ewes
23. Nave *
24. News
25. Nose

4 LETTERS

26. Nova *
27. Once *
28. Ones
29. Oven *
30. Owes
31. Owns
32. Sane
33. Save
34. Scan
35. Scow *
36. Seen
37. Sewn *
38. Snow
39. Sown *
40. Swan
41. Vane
42. Vans
43. Vase
44. Vows
45. Wane
46. Wave
47. Wean
48. Wens *
49. Woes *
50. **Wove**

5 LETTERS

1. Avows *
2. Canes
3. Canoe *
4. Caves
5. Cease
6. Cones
7. Coven *
8. Coves
9. Eaves *
10. Evens
11. Naves *
12. Ocean
13. Ovens
14. Scene *
15. Scone
16. **Seven** ●●●
17. Vanes
18. Wanes
19. Waves
20. Weans *
21. Weave
22. Woven *

●●● Secret Word