



Boggle!



a a b b c c d d

e e f f g g h h i i

j j k k l l m m

n n o o p p q q

r r s s t t u u v v

w w x x y y z z

z



Instructions

- Preparation:** Prepare by cutting out each letter. You might want to glue a thin sheet of cardboard to the back of the letter sheet before cutting out the letters as this will give them more rigidity – but it's not necessary. Alternatively, some newsagents sell sets of plastic letters. You need to make sure you have at least two of each letter. Place all the letters in a bag.

Boggle can be played individually or in teams. Teams are a good idea because you can even-out the literacy skills across the teams. We found 3 or 4 teams of 2 each, works well. Have the Boggle board (pg. 1 of this document) in the middle of the table. Pass the bag around, asking each player to choose one letter and place it in a square on the boggle board, until each of the nine squares contain one letter. There needs to be at least one vowel on the board. If there isn't, keep picking out letters 'till you have a vowel. Each player or team needs a sheet of paper and a pen for writing down words. You also need a timer. We used our phone and set the timer to 2 minutes.
- Play:** Start the timer. Each team needs to write down as many words as they can, using only the letters on the boggle board. You cannot use any letter in a single word, more times than it appears on the boggle board (ie; if there are 2 e's on the board, then words can contain up to 2 e's, but if there is only 1 e on the board, you can only write words that contain 1 e).
- Scoring:** When the timer goes off, add up your scores. A 3-letter word is worth 3 points, a 4-letter word is worth 4 points, and so on. Declare a winner and play another round. This game is quite addictive (Note: You might want to have a dictionary on hand to resolve any disputes regarding the legitimacy of particular words).