

# Boggle™

## Parker Brothers Hidden WORD Game

Parker Brothers Trademark for its Hidden Word Game Equipment  
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2 to 6 Players  
Ages 8 to Adult

**EQUIPMENT:** The equipment includes sixteen letter cubes, two trays for the cubes and a timer.

**OBJECT:** The object is to list, within the time limit, as many correct words as possible which may be formed from the assortment of letters when the cubes are arranged in a four by four square.

**PREPARATION:** Mix up all the cubes and place them at random in one of the trays in a four by four square. The letters need not be turned in any special direction unless so desired. Place the second tray upside down over the cubes. Turn the entire game (both trays and cubes) over so that the bottom tray becomes the top tray. Each player must have a pencil and paper. When the players are ready to begin, one player removes the top tray and, at the same time, another player starts the timer.

PLAY: The moment the timer is started each player looks at the assortment of letters on top of the cubes and searches for words of not less than three letters. He writes down each word as it is found.

Words are formed by the use of adjoining letters. Letters must join in the proper sequence to spell a word. They may join horizontally, vertically, or diagonally, to the left, right or up and down. But no one cube letter can be used more than once within a single word (see examples):

Figures 1 through 3 show how three words can be formed using the adjoining letters S, O, L and I.

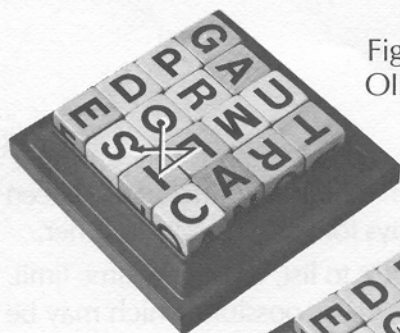


Figure 1  
OILS (and OIL)

RIGHT

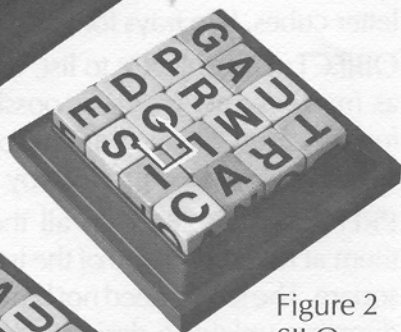


Figure 2  
SILO

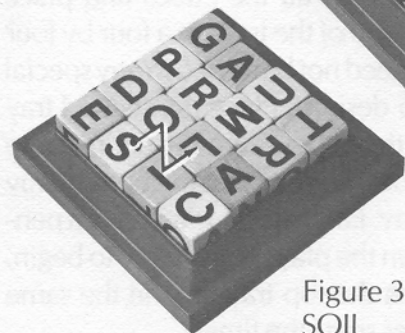


Figure 3  
SOIL

Figure 4 shows an incorrect use of the same letters. "SOILS" cannot be formed here because there is only one adjoining "S", and it cannot be used twice in one word.

WRONG

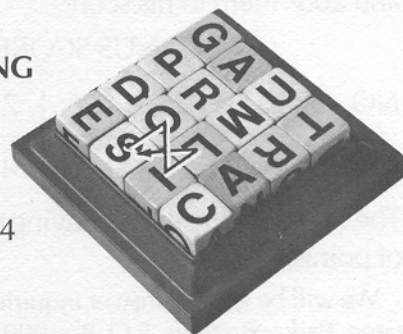


Figure 4  
SOILS

Try your skill at finding the hidden words in the arrangement of letters used in the examples above. There are words, such as "trails," "armor" and "prose" plus at least 70 others, all made up of properly joined letters. Maybe you can find more.

TYPES OF WORDS: Any word (noun, adjective, adverb, etc.), plural of, any form of, or tense is acceptable as long as it can be found in a standard English dictionary.

Proper names, abbreviations, and words spelled with apostrophes or hyphens are not acceptable. Words within words are permissible; e.g., spare, spa, par, are, spar, pare.

SCORING AND WINNING: When the timer runs out everyone stops writing and each player in turn reads aloud his list of words. Any word appearing on more than one player's list must be crossed off **all** lists where it appears, including that of the reader. After all players have read their lists each player totals the number of words which are not crossed

out on his sheet. He receives one point for each word. If any of these words consist of five or more letters he receives bonus points (see chart below) and adds them to his score.

### BONUS SCORING

NO. OF LETTERS: 5	6	7	8 or more
BONUS POINTS: 1	2	4	10

The winner is the player having the highest number of points.

We will be glad to answer inquiries concerning this game; Parker Brothers, P.O. Box 900, Salem, Mass. 01970

BOGGLE is just one of three unique word games from Parker Brothers. Next time you feel a word game coming on, play FLUSTER (the cross-up word game) or GRAPPLE (the scrambled letters word game). They are as much fun as Boggle.

