

Literacy This Week



Yukon Literacy
Coalition

We are a society of people dedicated to improving the quality of life of all Yukoners. We do this by building the foundational skills required for lifelong learning; acknowledging that we are all adapting to an everchanging world.

Millions of people around the world are waking up every morning thinking about a stimulating and wildly popular daily word game that has become a cultural phenomenon- **Wordle.**

It was developed by Josh Wardle, a software engineer in Brooklyn, and was released to the public in October 2021. In January 2022, the word game was purchased by The New York Times. Since being released, the guessing game exploded in popularity and has rapidly become a daily obsession for solvers. Only 90 people played the game on November 1 and then nearly two months later, 300,000 people were playing it! Now, the puzzle has millions of daily players.

It's fun, simple, similar to a crossword, and can only be played once a day. Every 24 hours there is a new word of the day and it's up to you to figure out what it is.

Wordle gives players six chances to guess a randomly selected five-letter word. If you have the right letter in the right spot, it shows up green. A correct letter in the wrong spot shows up yellow. A letter that isn't in the word in any spot shows up gray.

You can enter a total of six words, meaning you can enter five burner words from which you can learn hints about the letters and their placements. Then you get one chance to put those hints to use. Or you can try for performance and guess the word of the day in three, two or even one attempt.

Simple stuff, but also incredibly captivating.

If you haven't played already, check out the link below but be warned, you may become hooked!

<https://www.nytimes.com/games/wordle/index.html>



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