







About Yottsugo

Yottsugo is a puzzle challenge for people who enjoy word and logic puzzles. The goal is simple: create a 4x4 grid of four letter words using the 16 letter tiles indicated on front of each clue card. A genius vocabulary is not needed to play. In fact, each of the words in the 40 puzzles are commonly used words. Sounds easy, huh? If you love words and logic, you're in for a delightful surprise.

How to Play

Yottsugo includes 40 puzzles ranging in difficulty from Wordsmith to Etymologist. To begin, select a clue card. The front of each clue card shows the 16 letters needed to complete that particular puzzle. Find the letter tiles you'll need and place the remaining aside; you won't need them to solve this puzzle. Also noted here is the style of puzzle, a **Four Word** or **Eight Word** puzzle.

Your challenge is to connect the 16 letter tiles together in a 4x4 grid that spells four words reading left to right and four words reading top to bottom. In total, you will be spelling eight four letter words. Please note, in a Four Word puzzle, each word is duplicated. You'll still need all 16 letter tiles to complete the puzzle.



Four word puzzles repeat the same words horizontally and vertically.

Eight word puzzles have different words reading horizontally and vertically.



Every Yottsugo puzzle uses common four letter words everyone recognizes, like MILK, TEST, GIRL and ZERO. You'll never be stumped with a word like IXIA or MIHA that only a doctor of etymology might know.

Clues

Yottsugo has been carefully designed for players of all levels. Solving even a Wordsmith level puzzle without using any clues is a major achievement. It's not so difficult to get 12 or 13 letter tiles in place. The real challenge begins when you attempt to place those last few tiles.

Each clue card is designed to allow you to work at your own pace. A total of three clues will help you solve the puzzle. Open one flap at a time to reveal a clue to assist you in solving the puzzle. With Yottsugo, <u>you</u> decide when you're ready for the next clue.

Clue #1

The first clue is located on the back of the clue card. It shows letter pairs used in the puzzle. For example, the clue may show the letters RT. This means somewhere in the puzzle, there is a word where the letters RT are next to each other, such as PART or ARTS. Although the clue shows the letters going from left to right, it may be part of a word reading from top to bottom. Part of the puzzle is for you to figure out which way the letters read. Sneaky, huh?



Clue #2

Open the flap to find the second clue. The location of some letters in the grid will be revealed. For example, here the exact location of S is shown. Therefore, the letter S tile is in the top left corner. You now know two words begin with S.

The clues give more information when combined together. Use what you've learned from Clue #1 with Clue #2. For example, there are no words starting with S that also have VA in them, so you know that VA must be somewhere else in the grid.



Clue #3

Open the next flap to reveal the third and final clue. This clue is in the form of hints similar to those found in a crossword puzzle. Each hint refers to only one word in the puzzle. Think about the hints for word-generating inspiration. The hint may confirm a word you have already suspected to be in the puzzle.

- Vehicle for snow
- To possess

Revealing the Solution

Open the last flap to find the solution. Your answer may be reversed from the printed solution. The words in your answer may read from left to right compared to words in the printed solution reading from top to bottom. Both answers are correct.

Don't Give Up!

Depending upon the level you play, you may not be able to solve a puzzle in a single sitting. You can work on a puzzle for a bit at a time when you have a free moment. You can also work together with a friend or as a family.

A great social puzzle, Yottsugo is a puzzling play on words that's irresistible fun! Simply leave the 16 letters and a clue book on the table at a party or gathering. Tempt your guests with one of your favorite word challenges!



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