



Scrabble Player's Guide

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1 HOW TO PLAY

GENERAL GAMEPLAY:

- 1) Select if you want to play with special tiles (see section 2 for playing with special tiles) or just play an original game.
- 2) Select to play with 2, 3, or 4 players and assign names for each player.
- 3) When playing your turn, click on a tile in your hand (bottom of the screen) and then click on a location on the board where you want to place the tile. A red border will appear around the tiles you select to inform you of which hand tile and corresponding board location is being considered in the current tile placement.
- 4) Your turn can end in any of 3 ways: exchanging tiles, passing, or playing a word.
- 5) To exchange tiles, click the "exchange tiles" button and select all tiles you want to exchange with the letter bank. A red border will appear around tiles you select. To deselect, click the tiles you want and the red border will go away.

IMPORTANT: This game abides by the scrabble rules found here:

<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Scrabble>

ABILITY TILES:

- 1) double letter score (TILES MARKED WITH LIGHT BLUE BACKGROUND)
- 2) triple letter score (TILES MARKED WITH NAVY BLUE BACKGROUND)
- 3) double word score (TILES MARKED WITH MAGENTA BACKGROUND)
- 4) triple word score (TILES MARKED WITH RED BACKGROUND)

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SPECIAL/TRAP TILES:

NOTE: Only the player who has the special tile in their hand knows that the tile is special, even after the tile is used in a word on the board. The first time the special tile is placed **DOES NOT** activate the tile. Only when the tile is used in a subsequent word by any player does it get activated on said player.

Negative-points: (TILES MARKED WITH RED TEXT) The player loses, rather than gains, the points for the played word.

Lose-a-Word: (TILES MARKED WITH GREEN TEXT) The word that activated the tile is not scored but still placed on the board.

Steal-a-word: (TILES MARKED WITH LIGHT BLUE TEXT) The player who activates this tile does not gain any points. Instead all other players get the point value of the word added to their score.

Letter-Bomb: (TILES MARKED WITH MAGENTA TEXT) For every letter in the played word that matches the letter on the letter bomb tile (LBT), the original point value for the word is halved. i.e. LBT letter is "E" and someone makes the word "SEEN" that uses the LBT. The original point value would be 4, but since "E" is the LBT and appears twice in the played word, the original point value is halved twice, making the final point value 1. If someone plays the word "SENT" that uses the LBT, then the original point value would be 4. However, since "E" is the LBT and appears once in the played word, the original point value is halved once, making the final point value 2.