

A close-up photograph of several typewriter keys. The keys are arranged in a grid, and the word "WORDL3S" is overlaid in white, bold, sans-serif font across the center. The keys are made of metal and have a yellowish-brown patina. The letters on the keys are: W, E, R, S, D, and L. The key with the number 3 is also visible. The background is dark and out of focus.

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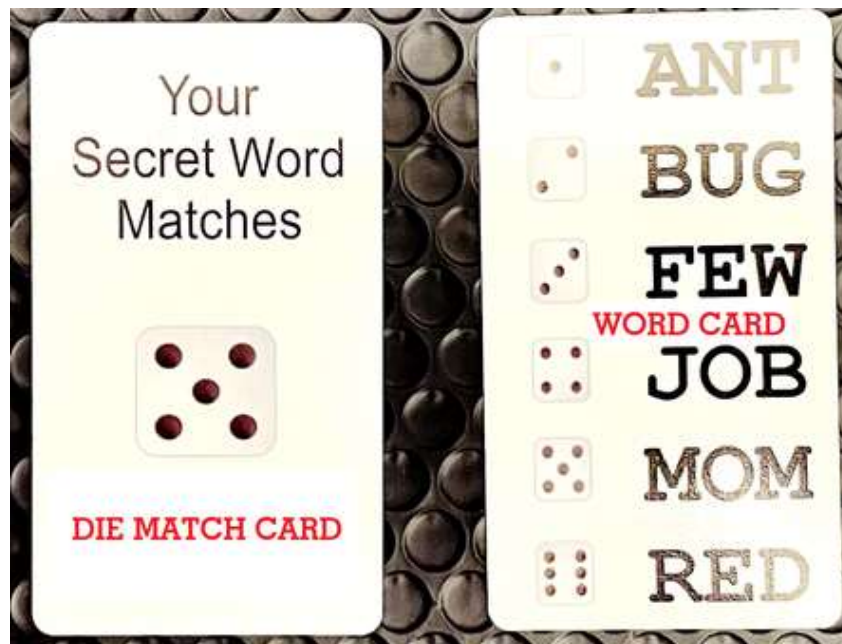
WORDL3S

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WORDL3S is a word deduction game for two players.

COMPONENTS:

- 36 secret word cards, each with six 3-letter words
- six die match cards
- pair of dice
- a set of deduction forms.



GOAL:

Guess the secret three-letter word of your opponent within 12 attempts using a combined process of deduction and elimination.

SETUP:

- Separate the two sets of cards
- Shuffle the secret word cards
- Deal one secret word card to each player face down
- Shuffle the die match cards
- Deal one die match card to each player face down – this designates your secret word.
- Give both players a deduction form and a pen
- Pile the remaining word cards face up in a draw pile
- Place two cards face up adjacent to the draw pile
- Decide upon how many rounds to play.



GAME PLAY: On each turn, a player ...

1. Optionally draws a new word card, placing it on top of one of the other two word cards
2. Picks a word for a question (see “Selecting a Word”)
3. Writes the word down on their form
4. Asks the opponent a question
5. Records the answer.

ASKING A QUESTION:

On your turn, write down a [word] and ask your opponent one of these questions:

- Is your secret word [*word*]?
The player's turn will end upon a successful guess.

BUG

- Does your secret word contain any of these letters?

For example, if your opponent's secret word is "EGG", they'll tell you only "G" matches the word...

JUG

G

Any Matches?

- How many letters from [word] are in your word?

For example, if your opponent's secret word is AIM, your opponent will tell you "2" when presented with "MAP"....

MAP
(Roll a die to pick word)

2

Common Letters

- Is your word higher or lower than [word]?

For example, if the secret word is "ACE", it is alphabetically lower than "ELF" and has one letter in common ...

ELF

<

< Lower or Higher? >

1
Same

USING THE FORM:

The first three questions on the form require you to roll a die and write down a word matching the number rolled.

Except for the first two questions, you can use any row on the form to fill in a word and get the answer.

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JUG <small>(roll a die to pick word)</small>	0 # Common Letters	
GYM <small>(roll a die to pick word)</small>	> < Lower or Higher? > 1 # Same	
SUN <small>(roll a die to pick word)</small>	1 # Common Letters	
USE	S <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> Any Matches?	
MAP	> < Lower or Higher? > 0 # Same	
YES	Y S <input type="text"/> Any Matches?	
SOY	< < Lower or Higher? > 2 # Same	
SKY	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> Any Matches?	
	<input type="text"/> < Lower or Higher? > <input type="text"/> # Same	
	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> Any Matches?	
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SCORING:

5	6	7	8	9	10	Guesses Taken
10	9	8	7	6	5	Points Awarded

Example

Trying to guess the secret word "SKY".

Eight guesses attempted.

Yielding a score of 7 points.

ENDING A ROUND:

A round ends when both players have guessed each others' words. When one player correctly guesses the opponent's word, the opponent still continues to play. Neither player cannot exceed 12 attempts at filling out their form, in which case gets no score.

SCORING:

The chart at the bottom of each form details the points awarded when you have guessed your opponent's word. Play several rounds to get a final score.

STRATEGIES:

- Use a good mix of words to narrow down or eliminate words
- Select words with vowels you have not yet queried
- Try not to guess specific words until you have enough clues.

OTHER GAMES AND VIDEO:

Check for alternate games and a "How to" video at www.Wordl3s.com.

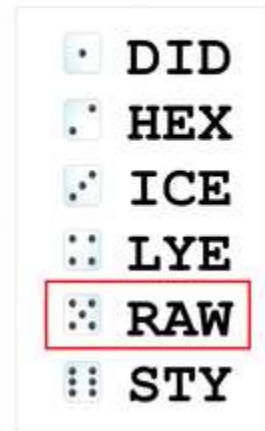
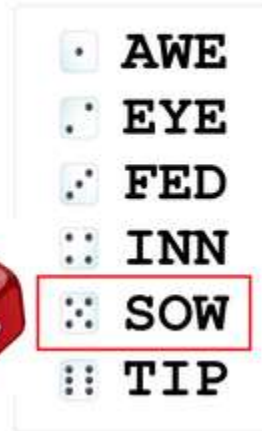
SELECTING A WORD:

Picking a word depends on the mode ...

*To pick your secret word use
the Secret Word Match card*



*When selecting a word for a guess,
pick one from your die roll*



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