**DuoLex**

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**DuoLex** is a letter stacking, tile flipping, transformational word game for two players. Includes a solo mode.

A pile of black and white letters

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**COMPONENTS**

* 105 two-sided wooden or cardstock tiles
* Tin or box.

Letters are the same on both sides except in reverse colors - black versus white. Tiles have single letters, double letters (bigrams) and a few trigrams.

**GOAL**

Get the highest score by claiming the most letter points with tiles of your color. Note that this is not a crossword-style word game.

**SETUP**

Either player chooses their color: black or white.

Shuffle the tiles within the container.

Each player draws six tiles as their initial "hand" and flips them to their chosen color.

**GAME PLAY**

Taking turns, each player lays tiles adjacently on the table to form words in a straight line as noted below. After placing your tiles, replenish your hand to a maximum of six tiles.

However, if you cannot play a tile, you must draw an additional tile.

**Forming Words**

There are several ways of forming lines of words in the common area among both players ...

* place contiguous tiles from your hand to make a whole new word.
* place a different tile on top of an existing tile to make a new word – max of two tiles only
* insert a tile between existing tiles to a word into a new word.
* take one or more tiles from another word, in addition to one or more tiles from your hand, to form a new word - the source of tiles must still be a valid word (even if reshuffled).

**Transformations**

Initial word add “F” opponent adds “B” add “S” opponent inserts “ER”

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Initial word opponent adds “P” and rearranges more letters added to form PRAWNS

Note that when placing each tile, ensure it’s your color you use!

**Splitting Words**

An existing word can be split into two words by adding at least one letter to a new word. For example …



A close-up of letters on a glass

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**Flipping Letters**

Each time you split a word, one tile in each word can be flipped to your color if a new tile was added to a word. Choose the highest valued tile to flip. Examples:

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| A black and white sign with letters  Description automatically generated | Add  A close-up of a sign  Description automatically generated | A black and white letters on a white background  Description automatically generatedA black and white sign with letters and numbers  Description automatically generated  Flip only the “B” (highest points)  “OLD” did not have a tile added.  A black and white sign with letters and numbers  Description automatically generated |
| A black and white square sign with letters  Description automatically generated | Add  A close-up of a sign  Description automatically generated | A close-up of a sign  Description automatically generated  Two words with new tiles,  Flip “S” and “C”.  A black and white rectangular object  Description automatically generated |

**Ending the Game**

The game ends when no more tiles can be placed.

**End of Game Scoring**

Both players add up the points of all tiles of their color and deduct the value of any unplayed tiles. The winner has the most points. In case of a tie, the youngest player wins.

**ADDICTIVE SOLO GAME**

Connect 12 random tiles into a crossword. Grab a handful of tiles. Use at least 10 single letters, the rest can be multiple letters. Allow for at least three vowels. Separate the vowels for an easier view. Attempt to align the letters into crossed and connected words of at least three letters each to succeed. No need to score your creation.

A group of letters on a white background

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