

# WORD WHAMMY!

*The World's Greatest Card Game*

For 2-4 Players

## THE GAME

You've got a fist full of letters.

Use them to spell the target words.

Score points!

## WHAT YOU'LL NEED

Print and cut out the LETTER CARDS. → [Here they are!](#)

Print and cut out the TARGET CARDS. → [Here they are!](#)

Grab a pencil and paper to keep score.

## SET UP

Shuffle the LETTER CARDS and deal **FIVE** cards to each player.  
(Don't show your cards to other players.)

Put the remaining letter cards (face down) in the center of the table. That's the **DRAW PILE**.

Turn over 1 card to start the **DISCARD PILE**.

Shuffle the **TARGET CARDS** and turn **EIGHT** cards face up next to the draw pile.

Pick a player to go first. Then move clockwise to the next player.

## TAKE YOUR TURN

### 1) DRAW CARDS

Either take two cards from the **DRAW PILE** or take one card from the **DISCARD PILE**. Add them to your hand.

If the DISCARD PILE is empty, flip a card from the top of the **DRAW PILE**.

Keep as many cards in your hand as you want, but use them to make words whenever possible!

### 2) SPELL... IF YOU CAN

Use your letters to form a word that matches one of the TARGET CARDS. Take that card and your letters and put them in front of you. Turn over a new card.

You don't have to make a word, though. Sometimes you'll want to save up letters to get more points.

### 3) LETTERS YUCKY? MAYBE YOU'RE LUCKY!

If you haven't spelled a word this turn, you can shout "**I can't spell anything!**" Discard all your cards and draw five new ones. Then your turn is done.

### 4) END WITH FIVE CARDS

If you spelled a word and now have less than five cards, take cards from the **DRAW PILE** until you have five. Then your turn is done.

## WINNING THE GAME

As soon as there are ten words on the table... the round is over!

Add up all the points on your TARGET CARDS.

You can play a quick one-round game, a three-round battle, or pick a total score (500 or 1,000) and play until somebody reaches it.

## **THE WHAMMY! FUN HAS JUST BEGUN!**

You've just learned how to play the basic game. But don't stop there!

Print and cut out the WHAMMY! CARDS. → **Here they are!**

Shuffle them into the DRAW PILE.

When you first start a round, discard any WHAMMY! CARDS you get.

Then, whenever you draw one, follow the directions immediately.

After you follow the instructions on a card, set it aside until the next round. Each WHAMMY! can only be used once per round.

Do you have any questions about the rules?

Do you have any ideas for new cards?

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