

# MY SECRET WORD

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**My Secret Word** is a simple two-player word deduction game. Guess your opponent's secret word to score.



## COMPONENTS:

100 cards with sets of random words, two laser-cut scoreboards.

## **SETUP:**

Find one set of identical cards and giving one to each player. Decide who will play red and who will be blue. Reset all scores to zero. Give each player a paper and pen(cil) to write their assumptions.

Play at least five rounds or until someone hits or exceeds 30 points.

## **GAME PLAY:**

Each player discretely picks the secret word of their colour and writes it down on a piece of paper and hides it.

Players then take turns asking questions about their opponent's word. The questions can only be one of the following and must use one of the player's own words in the opposite colour:

- Does your word contain one of the letters in WORD ?
- Does your word contain two of the letters in WORD ?
- Does your word start/end with any of the letters in WORD ?
- Is your word related to WORD ?

Use a paper and pen to mark off your assumptions. When you think you have your opponent's word, make a guess.

If you are correct, the opponent has one chance to guess your word. If you are incorrect, your opponent can make a guess even if they are not ready.

If both guesses are correct, both will score. Otherwise, the only a winning player adjusts their score.

Keep asking questions and guessing words until someone guesses the word.

Keep playing rounds with the same or new cards.

## **SCORING:**

Add the number of letters in the opponent's secret word to your score. For example, if you guessed COOL, add 4 points to your score. The first player to reach or exceed 30 points is the winner.

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