

## Spelling Puzzle Partners

### Directions for Making Word Searches

1. Choose at least 20 current and past spelling words.
2. Write the words in all directions on a piece of graph paper: horizontally, vertically and diagonally, both backwards and forwards.
3. Fill the empty spaces with any letters of the alphabet.
4. Type your word list in a text document on the computer.
5. Type your word search puzzle very carefully into a table in the same word document, OR rewrite the word list and puzzle very carefully on a new piece of graph paper.
6. Give your completed puzzle to your teacher to be checked, copied and shared

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### Directions for Writing Jokes and Riddles

1. Think of jokes or riddles that use at least 10 of your spelling words in the questions and/or answers.  
Q: How do fix a broken tomato?  
A: With tomato \_\_\_\_\_ (paste)
2. If you cannot make up or remember enough jokes of your own, look through joke books in your classroom or library to find more.
3. Type your jokes into a text document, replacing the spelling words with blanks. Your classmates will have to figure out what spelling words make sense and write them in the blanks.
4. Give your joke list to your teacher to be checked, copied and shared.

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### Directions for Writing Scrambled Word Worksheets

1. Make a list of 20 current and past spelling words.
2. Make a new list on a second piece of paper in which you scramble the letters in each word. To make the words extra-tough, don't use the same beginning letter for the scrambled word as the spelling word.

middle → d i m l e m \_\_\_\_\_

3. Type your scrambled words into a text document. Make a blank line after each one in which other students can write the spelling words.
4. Double-check your page to make sure you've used the correct letters.
5. Give your completed list to your teacher to be checked, copied and shared.

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### Directions for Making Crossword Puzzles

1. On graph paper, write at least 15 spelling words so that they intersect. See this example.
2. Number the beginning of each word, going in order from top to bottom and left to right.
3. Write a clue for each Across word, in order.
4. Write a clue for each Down word, in order.
5. One partner should draw an empty crossword, in pencil, to match your diagram. Use a clean piece of graph paper and a ruler. Number the blanks to match your diagram.

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S					E	
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4N	I	C	K	E	L	

6. The other partner should rewrite or type the clues into a word document.
7. Give your completed puzzle and clues to your teacher to check, copy and share.

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