CrazyGames / Word Games

CrazyGames is a free online gaming platform featuring over 4,500 games across various genres (word games, puzzles, action, multiplayer titles). It provides a gaming experience without downloads or intrusive ads and can be accessed on desktop and mobile devices.

Target Audience

- Youth workers: educators, trainers, non-formal education facilitators.

- Social workers or teachers working with peers who have special educational needs.

- Parents supporting children's literacy at home.

- Youth, particularly those with Specific Learning Disorders (e.g., dyslexia), low literacy confidence, or a preference for visual and playful learning approaches.

Benefits of this tool

- Inclusive, low-pressure practice via gamified word-challenges supports gradual growth in decoding, spelling, and vocabulary at each learner's pace.

- Engagement and social connection: solo or peer play enables motivating micro-challenges, peer interaction, and easy integration as warm-ups or brain breaks in youth sessions.

Additional Considerations

- **Multilingual support:** available in 25 languages.

- **Cost considerations:** the games on CrazyGames are free to play in the web browser — no download or installation is required.

- **Technical requirements:** the platform runs in a web browser and supports both desktop and mobile devices (via a Progressive Web App and web-browser implementation). The platform does not require download of a separate application.

- **Adaptations for DYS-users:** clear, high-contrast fonts and simple layouts, helping users with dyslexia to decode, recognise, and spell words more easily.

How to Use with Youth

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Visit the website: https://www.crazygames.com/t/word and in the search bar, type "**word games**" – this will display around 44 different game options.

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Time to play:
There are many types of word games suitable for short 10 – 15 minute sessions:

Crossword style – classic crosswords.

Word search –finding hidden words in a grid, such as in "Word Search."
or "Waffle Words."

Scramble – forming words from jumbled letters, improving spelling
and word recognition.

Puzzle hybrids – mixes of different formats like "Word Wipe" or "Cryptoword,"
adding a playful challenge.