

SEQUOIA

Sequoia is a word game. Draw a 5x5 grid. Starting with A, place each letter in alphabetical order. Because there are 25 boxes in the grid and 26 letters in the alphabet, choose one letter to leave out. The object of the game is to make as many words as possible. To score the game, count the letters in each word as one point.

K	V	O	X	B
P	S	W	F	E
C	H	A	R	D
L	I	N	T	Y
Q	M	U	G	J

BED	3
VOX	3
WAN	3
CHARD	5
SHIM	4
LINTY	5
MUG	3

Some tips:

SCORE: 26

- use consonant pairs to make longer words
- keep vowels away from walls for more possibilities
- cross words to use vowels twice
- eliminate least helpful letters
- don't forget Y can be a vowel!
- increase difficulty by reversing the alphabet and starting with Z
- play with 2 by blocking your opponent's words while claiming your own

(The word "sequoia" contain all five vowels.)