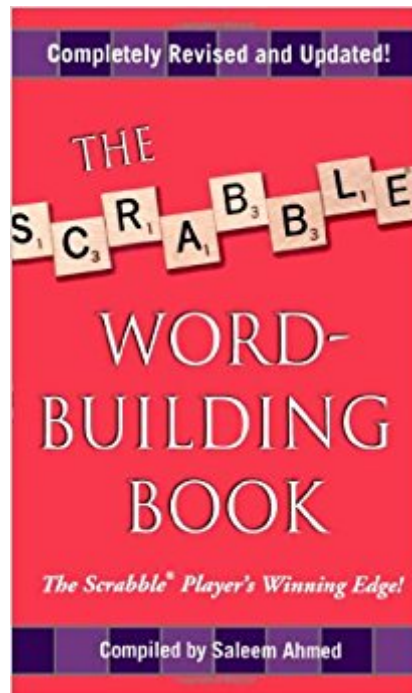




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# The Scrabble Word-Building Book: Updated Edition



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- A handy list of the 94 two-letter words sure to pile on the points
- Over 800 three-letter words -- 550 of which can be formed from two-letter words
- All eight-letter words that can be formed from seven-letter words
- Every word up to seven letters you can play!

To increase your word-building power and achieve the highest score, keep The Scrabble® Word-Building Book at your fingertips -- and beat your opponent every time!

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This is a must have for every Scrabble/Words with Friends etc fan/addict. It is organized well by both the number of letters (two and three letter words!) and in alphabetic order. All of those words that add up to a scoring bonanza. It also helps with increasing verbal skills. This keeps my brain in top notch condition. It's almost as if a part of my brain that had not been firing at full speed had a jolt of espresso.

The important thing to note is that I have the Kindle version of this book. This means things are a little different for me than for someone who owns a physical copy. The book is great for checking to see if a word is valid, but less useful for looking for word ideas, due to the fact that you can't quickly page through it. When my family plays Scrabble we play it more for fun than for a challenge, so we allow each other to flip through dictionaries to look for word ideas. You can't really do that with this book on the Kindle, because you can't change pages very quickly. Yes, you can search for a word, but you can't, for example, find if a word is spelled properly or not by easily checking in that section of the book. All you will find if you search is whether or not the word is in the book. It won't tell you words that are close to it, or help you find what you may be looking for, like you could with a

physical book. Instead, you have to hit page next a lot to get to where you want to be. However, despite my problems with the book, I can definitely recommend it. I still love having it, as it's a great addition to the game. I still use it constantly, it just takes a bit more effort on my part to use. This is in no way a fault of the book. Instead, it is a problem with the medium in which I received it. And even with those minor issues, I still feel that I would be worse off without it. So, in the end, I can definitely recommend that any Scrabble player picks this up!

Although this is a fine product, particularly for a beginning Scrabble player, and we have used it intensively for many years of play, a more advanced player will probably not wish to use this without a copy of a better abridged English dictionary at hand. On at least two dozen occasions of play, many relatively short, perfectly acceptable English Scrabble words have occasioned our games that were not contained within the Scrabble Word Building Book. I have no idea what a "World" Scrabble (or even an "English only") Scrabble event would look like, but perhaps the official rules of the game could stand some revision also. If "MARTIAN" is a valid Scrabble word (and according to the Word Building Book, it is), why isn't "JOVIAN", or for that matter, "PARISIAN", or "AMERICAN"? Evidently, the rules of Scrabble are much more wishy-washy and language dependent than those of more sophisticated and well thought-out games, like chess.

It's great. It has lots of new words in it. My husband and I cheat and use a dictionary all the time. We justify it as a 'learning' experience. It's amazing how many words I've never heard before that are acceptable in this dictionary. We rely on it for exciting playtime.

I play "Words With Friends" on my iPad all the time. I WAS constantly amazing my friends with clever words thanks to this MAGIC little book! I was beating all my friends at the game, so I finally bought copies for my friends so now we are on an even playing field. They even beat me now sometimes! LOL. It is a GREAT little tool for building on existing words or just finding all 2 and 3 letter combinations of words available for given letter combinations.

Was gift for a friend, and she said she liked it.

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