

# STACKERS

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**STACKERS** is a set of 170 laser-cut wooden tiles comprising one-, two- and three-letter word fragments and a stacking grid.



You can play with two or more people or solitaire.

STACKERS is an extension of the original SCRABBLERS game.

**Goal:** Score the most points or be first to discard a set number of tiles.

**Setup:** Fill the grid with random tiles face-up. Place the remaining tiles upside down between the players or in a bag. Each player then takes five tiles.

If scoring, set an end of game target score (eg 200) and designate a scorekeeper.

**Game Play:** On each turn, you attempt to place a single tile into the grid to form at least one word.

There are two ways to place a tile:

- one tile on top of another tile making a single word
- one tile adjacent to another tile

It is possible to make two words. Score all the fragments used to make the word(s).

If you cannot make a word, pick up an additional tile and relinquish your turn.

Play until somehow has reached the target score or all tiles have been depleted.

## Placement Examples:

A tile can be placed atop any tile where both fragments make a valid word in two ways, for example:

<b>HEAL</b>  "HE" placed atop "AL"		
<b>HEW</b>  "EW" placed atop "H"		

A tile can also be played to form a word left-to-right or top-to-bottom:

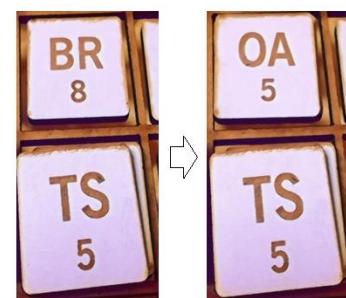
Add [CO] -> COAL



ARTS -> QUARTS



Vertically



A single tile placement can make two words. For example, add [EE] to make SPEED and GREETER:



**Optionally:** Allow more than one tile to be played adjacent to each other.

## Strategies:

- Try to meld with highest scoring fragments
- Try to place tiles to make two words
- Try to meld words in such a manner that future words can be made

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