

Four by Four

Description

Looking for a quick, engaging assessment? Four by Four challenges students to brainstorm as many words or concepts that match the categories listed on their Four by Four board. The extra challenge is that their answers must begin with one of the four letters you have selected.

Materials

- Grid (one for each group of four)
- Pencil/pen (one per group of four)

Procedure

1. Divide students into groups of four. Distribute a grid and a pencil/pen for each group.
2. Explain the challenge:
 - a. Students will see letters across the top of the grid and categories down the side.
 - b. The task is to fill in each of the sixteen blocks with as many answers that fit the category and also begin with the appropriate letter.
 - c. Groups score points only for having answers that no other group has listed.
3. Allow time for groups to work to complete each block.
4. When time has been called, have a spokesperson from each group share and allow groups to mark out words that are similar.
5. The winning team is the team that has the most original answers.

Alternate Activity

Allow teams to list as many answers in each block as they can within a given time period. A sample grid and a blank grid is provided to create your own letters and categories.

Names: _____

Arkansas	S	M	A	C
Cities	Scott Scranton Searcy Sheridan Siloam Springs Snackover Springdale	Stamps Star City Strawberry Stuttgart Subiaco Swifton	Marmaduke Mayflower Morrilton Mountain Home Mountain View Marked Tree	Arkadelphia Arkansas City Ashdown Ashdown Atkins Augusta
Tourist Spots Festivals State Parks	Shiloh Museum Spinach Festival Stuttgart Agricultural Museum	Magic Springs Magnolia Blossom Festival Mammoth Springs State Park Mark Martin Museum Mosquitofest Mt. Magazine State Park	Antique Car Show Arkansas Arts Center Arkansas Museum of Natural Resources Arkansas Post Armadillo State Park Festival	Capitol Children's Museum of Arkansas Clinton Presidential Library Coon Supper Cossatot River State Park Crater of Diamonds State Park Crawfish Festival Crystal Bridges Museum
Famous Arkansans (first or last name)	Jack Stephens P. Allen Smith Sidney Moncrief Scottie Pippen Sam Walton Scott Joplin Mary Steenburgen Witt Stephens	Maya Angelou Mark Martin Douglas McArthur Mark Pryor John McClellan Wilburn Mills Mike Huckabee Charles Murphy Don Munro Sidney Moncrief	Al Green Kris Allen Alan Ladd Art Porter	Bill Clinton Glenn Campbell Hattie Caraway Jonny Cash
Arkansas Based Business	Stephens Inc. Sissy's Log Cabin SeaArk Boats Stone County Iron Works Simmons First	McClard's Barbeque Mt. Valley Water Munro Shoes Murphy Oil	ABF Freight Acxiom Aloha Pontoon Boats Alliance Rubber Company America's Car Mart Andrew's Peanut Brittle Arkansas Best Arvest Bank	Cavendar's Greek Seasoning Cothams