

In
A
Word!
puzzles

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an exciting new puzzle
that challenges your vocabulary
and exercises your brain!

given a clue and a 3-letter word.
you have to find another word
that contains the 3-letter word and matches the clue

... it can be ...

... at the start
like TOP in TOPIC

... at the end
like PEN in OPEN

... in the middle
like TAN in STAND

Introduction

In a Word puzzles are new and original word puzzles combining *the clues of crosswords* with the *hooks of Scrabble*[®].

In each *In a Word* puzzle, you are provided with a 3-letter word and three clues. For each clue, you have to discover a different word containing the given 3-letter word.

Let's look at an example using the word **AGE**.

AGE

	clue	answer
a	boss	
b	representative	
c	car home	

In this example, the clues to the three words are “**boss**”, “**representative**” and “**car home**”. Each answer must contain the word **AGE**.

In addition to each puzzle there is a hint (for each answer) contained in the Hints section (starting on page 87). Each answer has a two part hint which indicates the **number of letters in the answer** and the **position of the 3-letter word** (start, middle or end). The hints for the above puzzle are as follows:

a	b	c
middle,7	start,5	end,6

So, “**middle,7**” for answer **a** (with clue “boss”), means that answer **a** has **seven** letters with “AGE” in the **middle** (not at the start or end). Similarly, answer **b** has **five** letters with “AGE” at the **start** and answer **c** has **six** letters with “AGE” at the **end**.

It is recommended using the hints after first giving the puzzle an attempt. Sometimes the number of letters in the word and the position of the three letter word are all that’s needed to trigger the solution. The answers to the example puzzle are provided below:

AGE

	clue	answer
a	boss	<i>manager</i>
b	representative	<i>agent</i>
c	car home	<i>garage</i>

Note that answer **a** is “**manager**” comprised of seven letters in which “AGE” is in the middle (meaning NOT at the start or at the end). Similarly, answer **b** is “**agent**” comprised of five letters with “AGE” at the start and answer **c** is “**garage**” comprised of six letters with “AGE” at the end. All three answers match each corresponding hint.

Finally, the solution for each puzzle is provided in the Solutions section (starting on page 93). In all, there are 240 puzzles with a total of 720 words.

Good luck and have fun!

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Puzzles

Puzzle 1

ROT

	clue	answer
a	spin	
b	horse's run	
c	defend	

Puzzle 2

AGE

	clue	answer
a	boss	
b	anger	
c	picture	

Puzzle 3

PIN

	clue	answer
a	rotate	
b	horse	
c	color	