

KANGAROO WORDS

Objective

To provide a fun session playing with words.

Procedure

A Kangaroo word is one which carries within itself a smaller word which is a synonym of the word itself. The letters of the synonym are found in the same order as in the given word, but some letters are omitted. The game can be played with individuals or pairs, with people being given a list of words and asked to see how many kangaroo words they can find in a given time.

To start the game, explain an example or two. Some examples follow, with only the words in the left being provided in a list to the participants.

1. Fabrication - Fiction
2. Salvage - Save
3. Separate - Part
4. Catacomb - Tomb
5. Satisfied - Sated
6. Exists - Is
7. Recline - Lie
8. Appropriate - Apt
9. Rotund - Round
10. Observe - See
11. Revolution - Revolt
12. Market - Mart
13. Façade - Face
14. Deliberate - Debate
15. Pantaloon - Pants
16. Precipitation - Rain
17. Supervisor - Superior
18. Hostelry - Hotel
19. Deceased - Dead
20. Illuminate - Lit