For 2-4 Players
AGES 12 And Up

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48 Plastic Stacking Pieces (12 of each color)
100 Category Cards (200 Categories in Total)
23 Letter Cards
1 Minute Sand Timer
Illustrated Instructions

OBJECT OF THE GAME
The object of the game is to be the first player to score 50 points.

You score points, after each round, for Letter Cards where your colored stacking piece is the only piece on a Letter Card OR if your piece is on the top of the stack on a letter card. Players can also score bonus points for 3-in-a-rows!

SET UP
1. Shuffle the deck of Letter Cards and place 9 cards in a 3x3 grid as shown. The Letter Cards can be arranged in any order, but all letters should face the same direction.
2. Each player takes 12 stacking pieces of the same color.
3. Place the deck of Category Cards in a single pile near the grid of Letter Cards.
4. Place the Timer where everyone can see it.
5. Prepare a score sheet.
HOW TO PLAY
One player turns over the top Category Card and reads it aloud. Another player flips the one-minute sand timer.
Play is fast and simultaneous!
All players now race to shout out words that fit the category and place their piece on the corresponding Letter Card at the same time.
For example, the Category Card is SPORTS. One player can say “Baseball” and place their piece on the “B” Letter Card. Another player, or even the same player that said “Baseball”, can then say “Basketball” and place their piece on top of the previous piece.
Players race to name as many words as possible, and place as many of their pieces as possible, on the Letter Cards.
Play stops when time runs out.
Score the round and write down each player’s score.

SCORING
Score each round as follows:
• For a single piece (only one piece) on a Letter Card, a player scores 1 point.
• If there are multiple pieces stacked up on a Letter Card, the player who has their piece on top of the stack scores 1 point per piece. Every piece counts!
Players score for all their colored pieces and all of their opponents’ pieces in the stack. Points for stacks really add up!
• Bonus Score: If a player creates a 3-in-a-row (horizontally, vertically or diagonally) with the placement of their pieces, they score a 5-point bonus!

A Little Strategy
It might be better to make a 3-in-a-row and score 5 bonus points rather than try to top a stack. Keep your eyes peeled for 3-in-a-row opportunities!

PLAYING THE NEXT ROUND
Leave the 9 Letter Cards in the same locations and play another round with a new Category Card.

END OF GAME/WINNING
The first player to score 50 points wins!

PLAY A NEW GAME
Shuffle all 23 Letter Cards and select a new group of 9 Letter Cards for a new Game!