

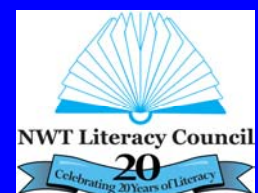
How to Kit



Games Night

2010

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Step to Organizing a Games Night

1. Find a good location for your Games Night (library, school, community hall, someone's home, church, youth centre).
2. Choose a good time for the Games Night. Saturday afternoons or evenings are usually a good time for families.
3. Advertise the Games Night at least one week before the event. Put posters up around the community, advertise on the local radio station or green screen and hand out personal invitations at the school. Tell everyone about it! Posters and invitations are included in this package.
4. Prepare the games you will play during the games night. We have included the following games in this package:
 - Word Bingo for Youth
 - Scattergories (See the How To Kit)
 - Picture Bingo
 - Family Math Games



The Literacy Council has other games available and you can call us at 867-873-9262 and we can send them to you:

- Word Bingo

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- Plain Language Bingo.
5. Find volunteers in the community to help organize and run the Games Night.
 6. When people come for the event, match up children with adults and get ready to play the games.
 7. Provide a nutritional snack for the end of the session.
 8. It is nice to give out prizes to the children who participate in the Games Night. Prizes can be books, pencils, bookmarks, etc.
 9. If possible, have copies of the games or other game ideas for the families to take home.
 10. Ask the local paper to come to your event and do a story about the Games Night Event.
 11. Thank your sponsors at the event and by writing them a letter.

Make the event monthly and ask the local band office, Co-op, Northern or a local business for donations of prizes.

Games, Games, Games

Reading and Writing Games and Puzzles

Playing games and doing puzzles are ways that parents can help their children learn and have a lot of fun too! It's a time for parents and children to have fun together.

Reading Games

- Reading games come in all different varieties. You can buy them at the store or you can make your own.
- Play games often! Set aside a "Games Night" to play together.
- Games you can buy: Junior Scrabble, Alphabet Bingo and Boggle are some of them. Also, playing games like Monopoly is a chance for your child to use some of their reading skills.
- Games you can make: alphabet puzzle, alphabet match up, and alphabet memory are just a few.

Why should we play games?

- Children learn by playing.
- They learn to handle conflict and losing.
- Games and puzzles are fun.
- Children learn to read without even thinking about it.
- Children gain confidence



When parents and children spend time playing games together, the child learns he/she is loved, respected and valued.

Games Night

Prizes!

Free!!



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Date: _____

Time: _____

Place: _____

Cost: _____

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Lots of fun for the whole family
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