
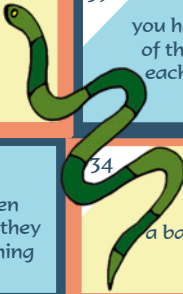



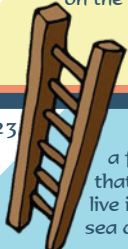


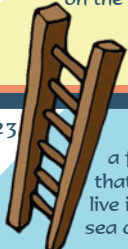
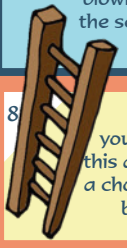

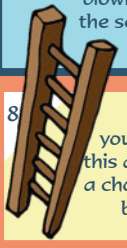



Silent Letters

Snakes and Ladders

42 someone who does not tell lies is... 	41 you do this on a door to get an answer	40 the yellow part of an egg 	39 you have one of these on each hand	38 an African wild animal with one big horn	37 two men do this in a ring for a competition
31 the tree is all bent and twisty 	32 a person who has nothing	33 little children do this when they want something	34 a baby sheep 	35 Ipswich is the biggest town in this county	36 he saves maidens from tall towers
30 this can cut 	29 dead people are found in here	28 you can write on the blackboard with this piece of rock	27 you need this word to a question about the time	26 this ship has broken on the rocks 	25 you do this with your teeth when you are angry or asleep
19 a wild animal from Africa 	20 most people wear a watch here	21 the biggest mammal 	22 it explodes and is used in a war	23 a fish that can live in the sea or a ... 	24 you can use this to open a door
18 girls wear these but boys don't	17 when the wind isn't blowing the sea is... 	16 if you cannot feel your leg it is...	15 this is ground up to make flour 	14 the opposite of right	13 dogs do this to bones
7 a joint half way up/down your leg	8 you find this around a chocolate bar 	9 you can eat this with custard	10 a person who cannot speak is...	11 two quarters 	12 you need two needles and some wool to do this
6 a baby cow	5 a person who fixes the tap	4 plum and thumb do this	3 you need a pen or a computer to do this	2 an ornament in the garden	1 a joint on your finger START HERE!

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If you make your own versions please send them to the address below to help us expand our library.

Preparation:

Print out the A4 sheets.

Glue the two halves of the Game Board together and if possible, laminate it. We have provided a blank game board for students to make a new version of the game, with their own clues, pictures and rules.

HOW TO PLAY:

This game is for either two or four players (two against two). You will need the Game Board, a pencil each, a Record Sheet each, dice and counters.

1. Players/teams take turns rolling the dice and moving their counter along the board. When they land on a clue they have to guess the word and then write it onto their Record Sheet.
2. Depending on the ability of the players, you can provide them with the Word List. If you choose not to use this, you will still need it at the end of the game to check spellings.
3. The first player to reach "home" gets 5 points. When this happens, all players must check the spellings of the words on their Record Sheets, using the Word List. They get one point for every correctly spelt word. The player/team with the most points wins the game.

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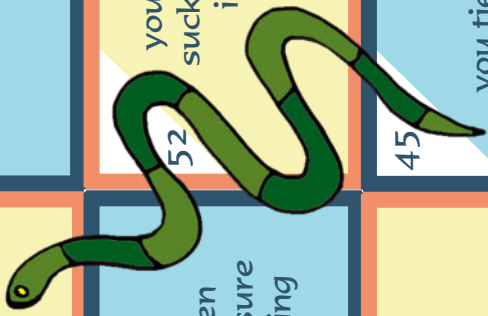
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(You can purchase a professionally printed, sound-enabled version of this activity with pre-cut cards from www.mantralingua.com. Students can use TalkingPEN to record and re-record aurally onto the pages and cards. Recordings can be saved and used for assessment, or shared with other classes and schools via "ShareLINK".)

Silent Letters Game - Snakes and Ladders

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(This is the top half of the board. Cut along the dotted line and glue to the bottom half.)

55 you run this through your hair to make it tidy	56 a person who sells meat	57 an insect that whines and bites	58 the beat in a piece of music	59 Another way to refer to the stem of a plant	60 You need to go <u> </u> a tunnel to get HOME!
54 you need a lot of this to succeed in your exams	53 this is when you are unsure of something	52 you can be sucked down into the middle of this	51 a knight uses this for fighting	50 when you ask a question you expect one of these	49 if you are on your knees, you are...
43 a tiny piece of bread or biscuit	44 I would if I...	45 you tie this in string	46 you get more of these as you get older	47 you can get your prescription in this shop	48 if you owe money to someone, you are in...
42 someone who does not tell lies is...	41 you do this on a door to get an answer	40 the yellow part of an egg	39 you have one of these on each hand	38 an African wild animal with one big horn	37 A competition where two men are in a ring
31 when you leave a room you should turn off the...	32 to get to a different country you can book a...	33 little children do this when they want something	34 a baby sheep	35 you speak quietly into someone's ear	36 he saves maidens from tall towers




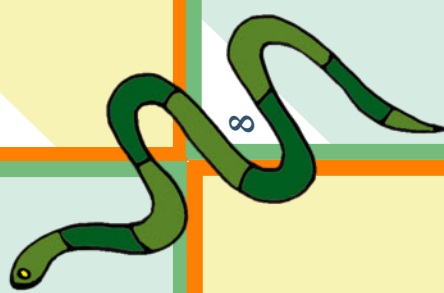





(This is the bottom half of the board. Glue to the top, mount and laminate)

30 You use this to cut up vegetables	29 dead people are found in here	28 you can write on the blackboard with this piece of rock	27 you need this word to ask a question about the time	26 this ship has broken on the rocks	25 you bake this to make bread
19 you get told off when you are...	20 most people wear a watch here	21 the biggest mammal	22 it explodes and is used in a war	23 a type of fish that can live in fresh water and the sea	24 you can use this to open a door
18 girls wear these but boys don't	17 when the wind isn't blowing, the sea is...	16 if you cannot feel your leg it is...	15 this is ground up to make flour	14 the opposite of right	13 dogs do this to bones
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Silent Letters Game - make your own "Snakes and Ladders" game board

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(Add your own clues to the game board)

30 HOME!	29	28 	27	26	25
19	20	21 	22	23	24 
18 	17	16	15	14	13
7	8 	9	10	11 	12
6	5	4	3	2 	1 START HERE!

Silent Letters Game - answer to clues on the game board

1	knuckle	2	gnome	3	write	4	rhyme	5	plumber	6	calf	7	knee	8	wrapper	9	rhubarb	10	dumb
11	half	12	knit	13	gnaw	14	wrong	15	wheat	16	numb	17	calm	18	knickers	19	naughty	20	wrist
21	whale	22	bomb	23	salmon	24	knob	25	dough	26	wreck	27	what	28	chalk	29	tomb	30	knife
31	light	32	flight	33	whine	34	lamb	35	whisper	36	knight	37	wrestle	38	rhino	39	thumb	40	yolk
41	knock	42	honest	43	crumb	44	could	45	knot	46	wrinkles	47	chemist	48	debt	49	kneeling	50	answer
51	sword	52	whirlpool	53	doubt	54	knowledge	55	comb	56	butcher	57	gnat	58	rhythm	59	stalk	60	through

Silent Letters Game - words with silent letters to help you

A - G			H - R			S - Z		
answer	bomb	butcher	half	honest	knee	salmon	stalk	sword
calm	calf	chalk	kneeling	knickers	knife	through	thumb	tomb
chemist	comb	could	knight	knit	knob	whale	what	wheat
crumb	debt	doubt	knock	knot	knowledge	when	whine	who
dough	dumb	flight	knuckle	lamb	light	whirlpool	whisper	why
gnome			naughty	numb	plumber	wrapper	wreck	wrestle
			rhino	rhubarb	rhyme	wrinkles	wrist	wrong
			rhythm	right		yolk		

Silent Letters Game - record your words on this sheet

Name.....

Words with silent h ↑	
Words with silent w ↑	
Words with silent g ↑	
Words with silent l ↑	
Words with silent k ↑	
Words with another silent letter ↑	

Silent Letters Game - record your words on this sheet

Name.....

Words with silent h ↑	
Words with silent w ↑	
Words with silent g ↑	
Words with silent l ↑	
Words with silent k ↑	
Words with another silent letter ↑	

Silent Letters Game - record your words on this sheet

Name.....

Words with silent h	
Words with silent w	
Words with silent g	
Words with silent l	
Words with silent k	
Words with another silent letter	

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Name.....

Words with silent h	
Words with silent w	
Words with silent g	
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