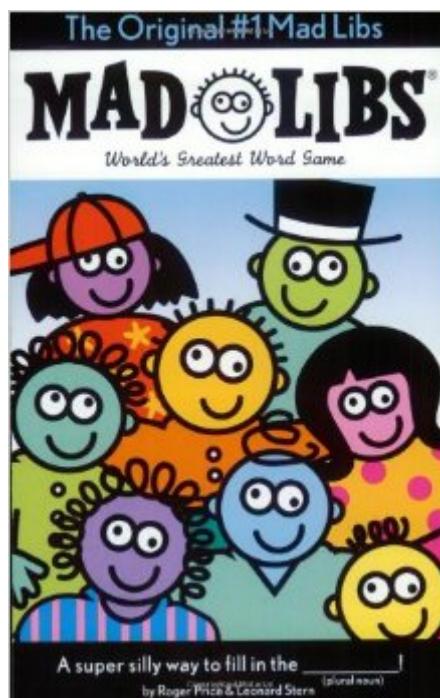


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The Original Mad Libs 1



Synopsis

The idea is simple. Someone asks for a part of speech: a verb, a noun, an adjective, or an adverb. We've included definitions and examples of the parts of speech in case you've forgotten. Players call out their ideas to fill in the blanks and in the end, you have a story reeling from one silly sentence to another until nothing makes sense. That's what you call a Mad Lib®, the world's greatest word game. Players have been howling with friends or laughing all to themselves for over 35 years! Here's where the fun begins. Check out The Original Mad Libs®. Once you hear the laughs this one inspires, you'll probably want to play the rest.

Book Information

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Age Range: 8 - 12 years

Grade Level: 3 - 7

Customer Reviews

Mad Libs are excellent for teaching grammar to students. I am a student in an elementary teacher credential program and I love using Mad Libs to teach literary elements. They are fun, and they are a great way to teach verbs, adjectives, adverbs, etc. I own quite a few of these books!

Is it just me, or are Mad Libs not as much fun as they used to be? I remember laughing uproariously when we did them with our teacher in third grade. I did them with my nephew the other day, and he was only mildly amused. My complaint is that when you read the filled-in Mad Lib, you can usually tell what word might have been "right" in each situation. For example, the one about the Space

Shuttle has a sentence that reads, "It was named the 'Columbia' and was piloted by two brave....." Even if someone has filled in "camels," everyone will say, "Oh, it was supposed to be 'astronauts.'" If the games were a little more open-ended or less topic-specific, I think they would be funnier. There wouldn't be a moment where one thought, "If I'd said 'President,' the sentence would make perfect sense." I liked Mad Libs better when they were truly zany. I do think, however, that Mad Libs are a really clever way to practice parts of speech, as participants are called upon to provide nouns, pronouns, adjectives, adverbs and verbs in different tenses to fill in the blanks in each game. Some of the games also require geographical locations and colors, which might be good for building vocabulary or facts about world geography.

This was a blast from the past! I remembered doing these as a child and they are just as entertaining now as an activity for the whole family!

I bought Mad Libs to reinforce parts of speech when teaching English 101 at Augusta Tech. They loved the fun the activity brought to learning. I now use Mad Libs with my second graders as a fun reward at the end of a good day. Lucy Adams, author of If Mama Don't Laugh, It Ain't Funny

I loved Mad Libs. I still love it in my 60's. My mistake was that I also gave my granddaughter a tablet. Everything pales by comparison. As a result, she doesn't use them.

Same comment as above product: fun, entertaining, family-friendly. All ages played from teens to sixty something. Everyone had a ball!

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