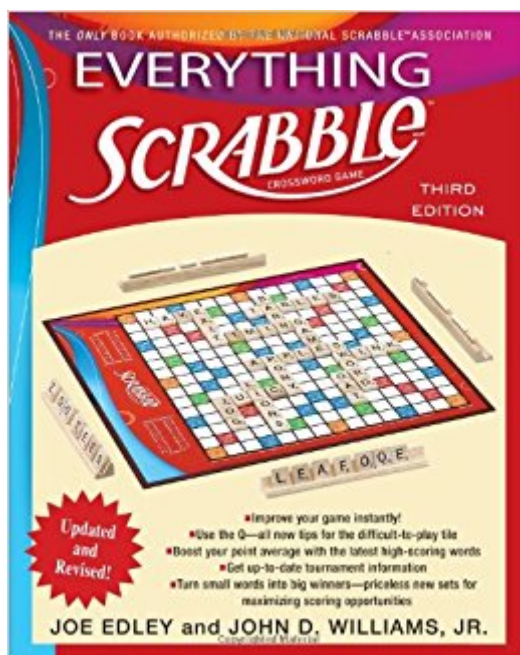


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# Everything Scrabble: Third Edition



## Synopsis

Newly revised with updated new strategies and words, the classic how-to guide to one of the most popular board games of all time. First introduced to the public in the mid 1950s, Scrabble has gone on to be one of the biggest selling board games in history—and is currently gaining legions of new fans in the online world. Offering relevant game tips for both the beginner and the seasoned pro, Everything Scrabble includes basic board strategies, tips for utilizing the letter "Q" (with and without the letter "U"), the latest in high scoring words, a complete list of two-letter words that can to increase players' scoring averages by thirty to forty points—and much more. Featuring a complete history of the game, this extensively illustrated guidebook covers all facets of the game and worldwide Scrabble culture—including tournaments, champions, and rules—and is a must have for every serious fan.

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## Customer Reviews

Joe Edley is the 1980 National Scrabble Champion and is widely considered one of the foremost experts on the game today. He lives on Long Island.

It was 2005 when The Official Scrabble Players Dictionary, 4th edition, was published and has therefore been a few years we have had to wait for Everything Scrabble to catch up. The wait has been well worth it. It is almost 75 pages longer with expanded strategy examples and illustrations. Of course, all of the usual lists are there too, expanded in most cases, in line with the words added

to the 4th edition of the Scrabble dictionary. Some highlights: There are now 101 acceptable two-letter words. There are more q-without-u words. The 3-and-4-letter J, X, Z words section has a few more words. The consonant challenge list is the same. The 4-to-8-letter words that include at least 66% vowels list has some more words. The 2-to-make-3 word list has been updated and expanded. The 3-letter words list has been expanded. Whether you are new to the Scrabble Crossword Game or this book or you are experienced and are simply interested, as I was, in updating your book to get the most from it, I recommend the Everything Scrabble, 3rd edition. The book describes the game fantastically and also offers some history of the game and trivia and history of tournaments. There is also information to help you advance into a club player, if you so wish. So, throw on the mbaqanga and have at it! PS: Another great book that is full of word games that can help you develop both your vocabulary and sense of recall is THE Book of Word Games: Parlett's Guide to 150 Great and Quick-to-Learn Word Games, an excellent companion to the above-mentioned book. Please see my review for that book as well.

Numbers don't lie, so here are a few worth considering. I've had this book for about two weeks. I've read the first 6 chapters entirely, and peeked at the chapters regarding finding bingos, rack management (what to play v what to leave for your next turn), how to play the S and blanks to best advantage, etc etc. I play FB Scrabble regularly with my friends, and am an English major with a fairly good vocabulary. As of this writing, I have two "in-progress" games where my scores are 1) 449 after 11 moves; and 2) 294 after 6 moves, up considerably from my previous games against the same opponents - two more sales for for sure! Some of that is probably luck... Beyond luck, however, the difference is not necessarily the words I am playing. With the help of Everything Scrabble, I am definitely thinking more about which words to play and where to play them; spotting more parallel plays (the two letter word list is invaluable); analyzing which letters to save and which to unload immediately (and it's not always Q!); playing S and blank tiles more strategically - the list goes on and I'm not even finished reading! The puzzles and diagrams will definitely build your Scrabble skills no matter your starting level, and your vocabulary skills will get a boost as well, especially for words containing J, Z, X and Q without U! What's more, it's a very enjoyable book to read - you're learning and having a blast in the process. You will also learn some fascinating Scrabble history, so don't hesitate, just purchase and watch your Scrabble game improve!

knowledge is power and power lies in this book.

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Great resource. We learned quite a lot. Service extraordinary as usual. But don't you wish I would reconsider selling President Trump's products? Cheers, Roxanna Markie

This help book is great for beginners and those with more advanced skills. I use it frequently when playing games to refresh my memory about the 2 letter words, the Qs/Js/Zs/Xs, high-count words, the most useful letters (S, E, X, and blank) and so many strategies to improve your game. The book is nicely organized and easy to reference.

Excellent tutorials, but very challenging, even for me. I play Scrabble a lot. Wish the pictures of boards were in color. Recommend highly for Scrabble novices and intermediates.

This book is terrific for Scrabblers who are serious about improving their game scores. It offers a myriad of tips and ideas to try to boost your chances for better scores. Of course, it doesn't alter the tiles you draw: that part is still random. But there is a tremendous importance in what you DO with your tiles..... and here is where the book is so useful. The ideas are practical, easy to remember, and easy to incorporate into your play style. The tips offered in the book are appropriate for all levels of players. The exercises given in the book provide real-world examples of how to use the tips.

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