

## CIVICS Pictionary OR CHARADES

**Instructions:** The following cards can be cut out to play either Charades or Pictionary. A reminder of the rules for each game:

### PICTIONARY

#### 1. Setup:

- Gather the necessary materials: a game board, a timer, the Civic Pictionary cards (see below), drawing pads or whiteboards, and markers or pens for drawing.
- Divide players into two teams.
- Choose a designated area for each team to sit, with enough space for everyone to see the drawings.

#### 2. Rules:

- Each team will take turns sending a "drawer" to draw a word or phrase from the Pictionary card without speaking or using letters, numbers, or symbols.
- The drawer has a limited amount of time (usually 60 seconds) to draw, and their team must guess the word or phrase correctly within that time to earn a point.
- The drawer cannot use verbal or non-verbal cues, such as pointing or nodding, to help their team guess.
- The opposing team acts as the timekeeper and keeps track of the time using the timer.

#### 3. Gameplay:

- The team that goes first selects a player to be the first drawer. They draw a card from the deck or have a card chosen for them by the opposing team.
- The drawer silently reads the word or phrase on the card and begins drawing it on their drawing pad or whiteboard, in plain view of their team.
- The drawer's team members actively guess what is being drawn. They can shout out their guesses, but the drawer should not respond or provide any hints.
- If the team correctly guesses the word or phrase within the time limit, they earn a point. If they cannot guess it or the time runs out, no points are awarded, and it becomes the other team's turn.
- Gameplay continues, alternating between teams, until a predetermined number of rounds or points has been reached. The team with the highest score wins the game.

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### CHARADES

#### 1. Setup:

- Gather the necessary materials: a timer or stopwatch and the Civic Charades cards (see below).
- Divide players into two teams.
- Choose a designated area for each team to sit or stand, with enough space for players to perform their charades.

#### 2. Rules:

- One player from each team will take turns acting out a word or phrase silently, using only gestures, body movements, and facial expressions.
- The acting player's team members must guess the word or phrase correctly within a given time limit to earn a point.
- The acting player should not speak, make any sounds, or use any props or objects to aid in their performance.
- The opposing team acts as the timekeeper and keeps track of the time using the timer.

#### 3. Gameplay:

- The team that goes first selects a player to be the first actor. They can draw a word or phrase randomly from the charades cards or have one chosen for them by the opposing team.
- The actor silently reads the word or phrase and begins performing it through gestures and body language in front of their team.
- The actor's team members actively guess what is being portrayed. They can shout out their guesses, but the actor should not respond or provide any verbal hints.
- If the team correctly guesses the word or phrase within the time limit, they earn a point. If they cannot guess it or the time runs out, no points are awarded, and it becomes the other team's turn.
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**Voting**

**Teaching**

**Serving in  
the military**

**Serving on  
a jury**

**The Revolutionary  
War**

**The Bill of  
Rights**

**The  
Constitution**

**Protesting**

**Police Officer**

**Firefighter**

**Fixing a  
pothole**

**Delivering  
the mail**

**Checking a book  
out of the  
library**

**Mount  
Rushmore**

**Grand  
Canyon**

**White  
House**

**House of  
Representatives**

**Senate**

**Supreme  
Court**

**Statue of  
Liberty**

**American  
Flag**

**Soldier**

**President**

**Mayor**

**Nurse**

**Bus Driver**

**Construction  
Worker**

**Golden Gate  
Bridge**

**Brooklyn  
Bridge**

**Empire State  
Building**

**Hoover  
Dam**

**Washington  
Monument**

**Lincoln  
Memorial**

**Yellowstone  
National Park**

**NASA**

**Smithsonian  
Museums**

**United States  
Mint**

**United  
Nations**

**Plymouth  
Rock**

**Ellis Island**

**Presidential  
Medal of Honor**

**National Institute  
of Health**

**Center for  
Disease Control**

**Environmental  
Protection Agency**

**Liberty  
Bell**

**Freedom  
Tower**

**U.S. Capitol**

**Independence  
Hall**

**Gettysburg**

**Yosemite**