**Actuele lesbrief Engels – Guess What**

**Voor de docent**

Het woordspel Wordle is een rage. Wat is het precies en waarom is het zo populair?

**ERK-niveau**

Lezen B1 – *Oriënterend lezen: Kan relevante informatie vinden en begrijpen in brochures en korte officiële documenten op internet of in andere media. (LEB1-2a)*

Leesstrategieën - *Kan de betekenis van zo nu en dan voorkomende onbekende woorden afleiden uit de context en de betekenis van zinnen herleiden, op voorwaarde dat het besproken onderwerp bekend is.*

**Intro**

Wordle is taking the world by storm.

Assignment 1

Read the assignment and write down the answers in English. You may use English-language Internet sources to help you.

a Name 5 or more gaming words.

b Name your favourite game. Explain in 2 or 3 sentences why you like this game so much.

**Guess What**

Why is everybody suddenly obsessed with Wordle?

Read all about it [here](https://teenkidsnews.com/what-is-wordle-what-to-know-about-the-simple-addictive-online-word-game/).

Assignment 2

Read the text. Connect the words and expressions that have the same meaning in the text.

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| 1. addictive | 1. advertisements |
| 1. to take the world by storm | 1. became very popular |
| 1. to release | 1. e-mail that is not wanted and usually containing advertising |
| 1. a handful | 1. efforts, attempts or chances to give the correct answer |
| 1. ads | 1. in the beginning |
| 1. exploded in popularity | 1. to make available to others |
| 1. the premise | 1. no longer existing |
| 1. tries | 1. playing (computer) games |
| 1. simplicity | 1. the quality of being simple or plain and not difficult or complicated |
| 1. spam | 1. to quickly become very successful and popular all over the world |
| 1. gaming | 1. really |
| 1. malware | 1. a small number |
| 1. literally | 1. so enjoyable that you want to do something again and again |
| 1. extinct | 1. software designed to damage a computer’s normal functioning |
| 1. originally | 1. the starting point, the basic idea |

Assignment 3

a What is Wordle?

1 A daily puzzle in The New York Times.

2 A game the Wardle family plays when they are all together.

3 A popular explosion game that is very addictive.

4 A simple online word guessing game.

b How do you play Wordle?

1 You have to guess a word of five letters. You have six chances to get it right.

2 You have to guess a word of six letters. You have five chances to get it right.

3 You play it with a partner. You both get six tries to guess a mystery word.

4 You play it with people worldwide. You have to guess a mystery word in six seconds.

c Why is Wordle so popular? Choose all the correct options.

1 It is simple.

2 It is a free app.

3 There are no ads.

4 It is like the games in the good old days.

5 It will never become extinct.

6 It stays interesting because you can play only one game a day.

7 It lets you get in touch with others, which is very romantic.