



Word Search Puzzles

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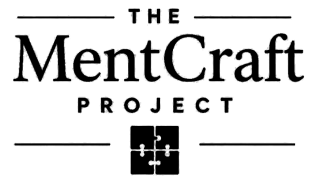


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For David

My son, you have a wonderful mind.

Always remain curious and never assume you know everything.

How to Get the Most Out of This Book

Every MentCraft collection is built on a simple belief: a mind that's regularly challenged stays sharper, more curious, and more capable. Word search puzzles train the mind in their own distinctive way — scanning a crowded grid, holding a target word in mind, and letting your eye catch the pattern hidden among the noise. It's a different kind of focus than reasoning through a clue: less about deduction, more about sustained visual attention.

Each puzzle's header shows its subtheme, its number, and a difficulty rating, so you can track your progress or choose where to start. All solutions are grouped together near the end of the book, in numerical order, ready whenever you need to check your work.

If you're the kind of solver who likes to dig a little deeper, this book includes a complete Glossary at the very end — every word, defined and alphabetized, so an unfamiliar term never has to stay a mystery. And at the bottom of every puzzle page, you'll find a My Notes space: room to jot down a new word you've learned, a pattern you noticed, or anything worth remembering as you go.

Find each word from the list hidden in the grid — words may run horizontally, vertically, or diagonally, in any direction, forwards or backwards. Enjoy the journey!

Puzzle 1: Ferns, Mosses, Fungi & Lichens

Z	R	M	P	S	E	T	Y	H	P	O	Y	R	B
O	E	R	O	H	P	O	R	O	P	S	S	L	U
M	C	O	Q	E	T	Y	H	P	O	R	O	P	S
L	Y	X	D	U	X	S	H	Z	N	W	S	Q	E
I	F	T	S	X	R	E	C	J	F	F	T	E	P
V	U	D	A	Q	A	T	T	A	A	S	R	B	R
E	U	D	P	V	T	Y	R	H	P	T	O	R	O
R	O	I	R	O	S	C	O	H	P	I	W	A	T
W	S	R	O	N	H	O	W	Y	E	P	R	C	O
O	I	F	P	B	T	R	N	P	E	E	E	K	N
R	L	Q	H	E	R	O	O	H	F	G	V	E	E
T	A	L	Y	N	A	P	O	A	A	B	I	N	M
M	B	O	T	M	E	S	M	E	X	X	L	H	A
A	I	L	E	D	S	P	H	A	G	N	U	M	R

FIND THESE WORDS:

BRACKEN
EARTHSTAR
LIVERWORTS
SAPROPHYTE
SPOROPHORE

BRYOPHYTES
HYPHAE
MOONWORT
SPHAGNUM
SPOROPHYTE

CAP
LIVERWORT
PROTONEMA
SPOROCYTES
STIPE

My Notes:

Puzzle 2: Ferns, Mosses, Fungi & Lichens

Y	A	W	Z	R	O	N	E	H	C	I	L	T	G	R	H
A	S	P	O	R	A	N	G	I	O	P	H	O	R	E	D
Y	H	Q	C	R	Y	P	T	O	G	A	M	O	U	S	N
V	Y	S	Q	V	L	T	D	N	O	R	F	Y	F	M	L
E	I	P	L	G	N	H	V	G	T	Y	H	L	O	P	C
A	S	O	A	F	S	A	N	A	O	C	K	B	L	B	I
R	M	R	X	X	P	L	E	D	S	L	G	B	I	V	R
J	H	E	P	R	O	L	N	T	D	Y	D	D	O	D	A
B	E	Y	M	Y	R	I	Z	M	X	O	K	F	S	J	G
K	S	F	U	L	A	F	M	N	S	L	C	T	E	W	A
S	O	S	S	U	N	O	C	E	U	I	R	T	Q	R	H
B	T	O	H	W	G	R	A	T	L	E	N	Q	U	J	N
P	S	C	R	Q	I	M	Y	E	L	V	A	A	H	X	A
L	U	W	O	N	U	S	J	L	A	I	D	C	J	Q	P
D	R	T	O	N	M	L	B	O	H	L	R	Y	B	R	T
O	C	R	M	H	D	F	H	B	T	F	P	Q	W	U	X

FIND THESE WORDS:

- AGARIC

CRYPTOGAMOUS

GOLDFERN

SPORANGIOPHORE

THALLIFORM
- BOLETE

FOLIOSE

LICHEN

SPORANGIUM

THALLUS
- CRUSTOSE

FROND

MUSHROOM

SPORE

VEIL

My Notes:

BONUS PUZZLES

Our gift to you for choosing this book!

A few extra, slightly trickier puzzles to enjoy.

Puzzle 101: BONUS

Q	P	N	U	E	P	E	T	O	G	Y	Z	O	R	E	T	E	H
D	G	S	O	X	S	R	E	L	K	N	I	R	P	S	F	B	M
X	I	D	S	I	E	O	K	V	U	F	A	B	U	X	E	Q	S
E	R	S	B	A	T	R	N	H	V	S	T	U	V	C	T	E	K
V	C	I	C	C	R	A	I	C	P	P	Z	Z	U	P	Y	R	X
X	Y	F	J	O	Y	G	C	S	A	Z	N	T	W	Q	H	U	T
K	C	W	R	C	M	H	K	I	C	R	V	N	H	I	P	T	K
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O	S	S	B	O	K	G	C	Y	A	I	P	T	N	V	T	R	W
M	Y	W	M	J	S	D	I	E	F	U	T	I	N	V	E	E	O
O	S	O	W	Z	R	R	E	L	T	D	Q	A	N	A	M	P	T
Z	C	A	S	A	A	N	X	S	C	E	G	U	R	G	A	M	Q
Y	E	A	Q	Y	I	Z	M	W	P	V	S	M	H	T	G	E	N
G	D	S	E	T	A	M	I	L	C	O	R	C	I	M	S	T	K
O	J	I	W	X	A	Q	M	U	S	H	R	O	O	M	I	N	G
U	K	S	B	N	E	O	A	Z	I	H	R	R	O	C	Y	M	L
S	C	Z	S	P	O	R	O	P	H	O	R	E	S	P	J	J	U
L	X	D	X	M	T	E	T	R	A	P	L	O	I	D	G	P	W

FIND THESE WORDS:

- ANTHRACNOSE
HETEROZYGOTE
MUSHROOMING
SPOROPHORES
TEMPERATURE
- DISCOMYCETES
HOMOZYGOUS
MYCORRHIZA
SPRINKLERS
TETRAPLOID
- GAMETOPHYTE
MICROCLIMATE
QUACKGRASS
STRATIFICATION
XERISCAPING

My Notes:

Solution #1

Z	R	M	P	S	E	T	Y	H	P	O	Y	R	B
O	E	R	O	H	P	O	R	O	P	S	S	L	U
M	C	O	Q	E	T	Y	H	P	O	R	O	P	S
L	Y	X	D	U	X	S	H	Z	N	W	S	Q	E
I	F	T	S	X	R	E	C	J	F	F	T	E	P
V	U	D	A	Q	A	T	T	A	A	S	R	B	R
E	U	D	P	V	T	Y	R	H	P	T	O	R	O
R	O	I	R	O	S	C	O	H	P	I	W	A	T
W	S	R	O	N	H	O	W	Y	E	P	R	C	O
O	I	F	P	B	T	R	N	P	E	E	E	K	N
R	L	Q	H	E	R	O	O	H	F	G	V	E	E
T	A	L	Y	N	A	P	O	A	A	B	I	N	M
M	B	O	T	M	E	S	M	E	X	X	L	H	A
A	I	L	E	D	S	P	H	A	G	N	U	M	R

Solution #2

Y	A	W	Z	R	O	N	E	H	C	I	L	T	G	R	H
A	S	P	O	R	A	N	G	I	O	P	H	O	R	E	D
Y	H	Q	C	R	Y	P	T	O	G	A	M	O	U	S	N
V	Y	S	Q	V	L	T	D	N	O	R	F	Y	F	M	L
E	I	P	L	G	N	H	V	G	T	Y	H	L	O	P	C
A	S	O	A	F	S	A	N	A	O	C	K	B	L	B	I
R	M	R	X	X	P	L	E	D	S	L	G	B	I	V	R
J	H	E	P	R	O	L	N	T	D	Y	D	D	O	D	A
B	E	Y	M	Y	R	I	Z	M	X	O	K	F	S	J	G
K	S	F	U	L	A	F	M	N	S	L	C	T	E	W	A
S	O	S	S	U	N	O	C	E	U	I	R	T	Q	R	H
B	T	O	H	W	G	R	A	T	L	E	N	Q	U	J	N
P	S	C	R	Q	I	M	Y	E	L	V	A	A	H	X	A
L	U	W	O	N	U	S	J	L	A	I	D	C	J	Q	P
D	R	T	O	N	M	L	B	O	H	L	R	Y	B	R	T
O	C	R	M	H	D	F	H	B	T	F	P	Q	W	U	X

Solution #3

M	U	I	L	E	C	Y	M	A	S	H	S	L
G	Z	P	T	G	A	I	I	T	P	P	A	E
P	I	L	F	S	T	L	R	X	R	S	Z	T
R	S	L	I	E	E	O	K	O	P	S	I	Y
A	U	I	M	C	W	C	T	O	L	E	H	H
C	R	G	Y	N	V	H	R	L	Q	T	R	P
O	O	M	R	G	A	O	I	S	R	A	R	O
R	S	O	S	L	C	G	A	O	B	D	O	Y
O	H	I	L	A	F	A	W	M	N	W	C	R
P	E	I	R	B	Q	N	S	S	O	M	Y	B
S	U	P	J	M	R	D	P	O	D	N	M	E
M	I	D	I	O	Z	I	H	R	W	K	Y	D
C	Y	U	H	Y	H	S	T	A	L	K	F	Y

Solution #4

S	U	S	S	I	C	R	A	N	V	I	V
C	R	L	A	N	T	E	R	N	Z	W	Z
B	V	E	G	O	P	C	U	E	Z	V	N
L	W	C	J	F	F	Q	G	E	R	M	O
X	H	N	A	L	U	D	N	E	L	A	C
R	H	T	V	Y	D	B	U	L	B	Z	J
D	E	L	P	H	I	N	I	U	M	V	R
Y	S	W	S	S	N	E	M	A	T	S	D
R	T	N	A	I	T	N	E	G	X	P	U
A	E	S	O	R	R	R	O	U	Q	M	B
V	M	T	L	E	F	I	E	T	U	L	F
O	S	I	F	O	Q	H	Y	B	R	I	D

Glossary

ACACIA: A genus of flowering plants in the pea family, characterized by its thorn-like spines and fragrant, showy flowers.

ACCLIMATE: Adapt to new growing conditions

ACIDIC: Describing soil with a pH below 7, indicating higher acidity.

ACONITE: A genus of plants known for their tall spikes of bell-shaped flowers.

ACORN: The nut of oak trees, vital for seed dispersal and growth in the life cycle of these deciduous trees.

ADSORB: To hold molecules or ions on a surface, as soil particles retain nutrients.

AERATE: To make small holes in the soil, especially in order to improve its condition by allowing air, water, and nutrients to reach plant roots

AERATION: The process of providing air to a compost pile to support microbial activity, promote decomposition, and prevent anaerobic conditions that can produce unpleasant odors

AERATOR: A machine used to make small holes in the soil, especially in order to improve its condition by allowing air, water, and nutrients to reach plant roots

AGARIC: Fungus with a cap and gills.

AGAVE: A genus of plants with thick fleshy leaves, often used for fiber or agave nectar

AGGRESSIVE: Describing weeds that spread quickly

ALBUMEN: Nutrient-rich layer surrounding a seed embryo

ALDER: A plant of the genus *Alnus*, typically growing in damp ground and having distinctive cones.

ALGA: A simple aquatic plant that grows in water, often found in ponds and lakes.

ALGAE: Simple photosynthetic organisms that grow in aquatic environments

ALKALI: A substance that has a pH higher than 7.0, used to balance acidic soils and improve nutrient availability.

ALKALINE: Describing soil with a pH above 7, indicating higher alkalinity which can affect plant growth.

ALLOZYME: Enzyme found in different alleles

ALOE: A genus of plants, some species valued for their gel used in skincare

ALPINE: Plants that thrive in high-altitude, seasonal conditions and have adaptations to survive cold winters and short growing seasons.

ALUM: Chemical compound used in soil to manage pH, supporting microbial activity and nutrient availability in compost.

AMEND: To enrich or enhance the fertility of soil by adding organic matter, such as compost, or other substances to improve its structure and nutrient content.

AMENDMENT: A substance added to the soil to modify its chemical properties and improve fertility

ANEMONE: Any of various plants constituting the genus *Anemone*, having usually white, pink, or purple flowers.

ANGIOSPERM: Flowering plant that produces seeds within an ovary

ANNUAL: A plant that completes its life cycle in one growing season.

ANNULAR: Having a ring-like shape

ANTHER: The part of the stamen that produces pollen, which is transferred by pollinators to facilitate fertilization.

ANTHESIS: The stage at which pollen is released from the anthers of a flower, often accompanied by changes in color or fragrance

ANTHOCYANIN: Pigment that gives blue and red colors to flowers and fruits

ANTHRACNOSE: Fungal disease causing dark spots on leaves and stems

ANTS: Social insects that may protect sap-feeding pests or disturb soil around garden plants.

APEX: Tip of a plant shoot

APHID: A small, soft-bodied insect that feeds on plant sap, often causing damage.

APHIDS: Small, soft-bodied insects of the superfamily Aphidoidea, often found in large numbers on various plants and considered serious garden pests because they feed by sucking sap from plant stems and leaves

APHIS: A genus of small, soft-bodied insects called aphids, which feed on plant sap and can spread disease.

APIARIST: A person responsible for the care of honeybees, particularly in an apiary

APIARY: A place where bees are kept for honey production and other purposes, typically in a managed colony

APICAL: Relating to or located at the tip or apex of a stem, branch, or inflorescence in trees and shrubs.

APIS: The genus of bees including honeybees, which are vital pollinators for many flowering plants.

APOMIXIS: Asexual reproduction in plants

APPLE: A fruit-bearing tree in the genus *Malus*, native to Asia and known for its edible apples.

APPLES: The sweet, juicy fruits of the *Malus domestica* tree

APPLYING: The act of adding fertilizers, compost, or other organic materials to improve soil structure, fertility, and nutrient balance.

APRICOT: A fruit-bearing deciduous tree with sweet, juicy fruits that ripen in late spring or early summer and loses its leaves in autumn.

AQUATIC: Relating to or living in water, including plants and animals that thrive in aquatic environments such as ponds.

ARBOR: A tree or group of trees planted and maintained for shade, ornament, or other benefits.

ARBOREAL: Relating to or involving trees in landscape design and horticulture.

ARBOREOUS: Relating to or resembling trees

ARBORETA: A botanical garden specializing in the cultivation and display of trees for educational purposes and landscape design inspiration.

ARBORETUM: A botanical garden that is dedicated to the cultivation of trees, usually a landscaped outdoor area containing a variety of woody plants arranged systematically

ARBUTUS: A genus of small, evergreen trees or shrubs in the heath family (*Ericaceae*), native to the Mediterranean region and western North America. They are characterized by their leathery leaves and bell-shaped flowers, and some species produce edible berries.

ARCADE: A covered walkway or passageway, often found in gardens or parks

ARCHES: A curved or pointed opening in a wall or other garden structure, often used for decoration or to frame views.

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Explore the rich diversity of gardening and plants through this engaging word search puzzle book themed "Gardening & Plants." You'll uncover a myriad of terms related to ferns and trees while seeking hidden words. Each new discovery, whether it's a term for pollinators or a feature of succulents, enriches your knowledge, making you a more informed gardener. Enjoy the journey as every puzzle solved brings you closer to mastering this beloved hobby.

